



## Highlights from WHO Country Office in Armenia

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Dear Partners,

This issue of the newsletter captures some of the major highlights from the WHO Country Office in Armenia between October and December 2024. These activities reflect joint efforts and collaboration of national and international organizations, UN agencies, civil society, academia, and all development partners committed to advancing Armenia's national health priorities and creating significant change in people's lives.

We are also eager to share a major update: the development of the WHO European Programme of Work for 2026–2030 (EPW2). This ambitious initiative aims to unite all 53 Member States of the Region in building a healthier, fairer, and more sustainable future for everyone. Achieving this vision requires collective action—bringing together individuals, patients, healthcare professionals, and partners across sectors and borders. EPW2 will align WHO's global health priorities, as set out in the 14th General Programme of Work (2025–2028), with the unique needs of the European Region, accelerating progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals.

We hope this newsletter informs, inspires, and contributes to our shared commitment of better health for all.

Warm regards,  
WHO Country Office in Armenia

Health Systems

# Enhancing Lives of People through Advancing Quality of Care in Armenia



The Ministry of Health, WHO, Asian Development Bank (ADB), and other partners joined forces to advance the national health system to deliver better, safer, and more equitable care for everyone.

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# Emergency Preparedness, Response, and IHR Strengthening Respiratory Disease Surveillance and Preparedness for a Resilient Armenia

A significant step forward was made through reviewing the progress and challenges in respiratory infections surveillance. The gaps are in focus to be addressed accordingly.

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# Digital Health and Innovation Shaping Healthier Armenia through Innovations at WCIT 2024



WHO Armenia and partners discussed transformation in digital health to develop resilient health systems for a healthier Armenia at World Congress on Information Technology WCIT 2024.

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One Health in Action

# Strengthening Armenia's Fight against Antimicrobial Resistance

WHO-supported AMR multisectoral working group led by the Ministry of Health finalized the National Action Plan for AMR Prevention and Control Programme 2024 – 2027 at its inaugural meeting.

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Adolescent Health

# Delivering Actionable Insights on Adolescent Health in Armenia

WHO new data revealed a sharp rise in problematic social media use among adolescents. The study also suggested a roadmap of action to tackle the implications of increased problematic social media use.

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Emergency Preparedness, Response and IHR

# Enhancing Hospital Safety and Emergency Resilience with Low-Cost, High-Impact Solutions

WHO and the Ministry of Health trained 30 experts from all over Armenia engaged in critical hospital systems to evaluate vulnerabilities and come up with solutions to improve hospital safety with the WHO Hospital Safety Index tool.

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Youth in Focus

# Empowering Youth to Protect Their Future by Saying No to Tobacco



Celebrating the National No Tobacco Day, WHO Armenia, the Ministry of Health and youth again reaffirmed their commitment towards not playing tobacco industry games.

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Child and Mother Health

# Delivering Evidence to Drive Informed Decision-Making in Health

WHO new data revealed an alarming magnitude of digital marketing of breast milk substitutes (BMS) among pregnant women and mothers and TV commercials of food and beverage among children.

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Rehabilitation and Assistive Technology

# Moving forward Rehabilitation in Armenia



The Ministry of Health, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Ministry of Science, Education, Culture and Sports, Ministry of Finance, and WHO took a forward-looking step in finalizing the draft National Rehabilitation and Assistive Technology Strategy and Action Plan at the consensus workshop.

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Youth in Focus

# Empowering Armenian Future Leaders: Celebrating Creativity and Health Advocacy through Art

Tomorrow's decision-makers in Armenia are serious about their health and rights. They made their voices heard through the language of art and did a splendid job jointly with the Ministry of Health and WHO in Armenia.

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WHO Marked Days in Focus

# Educating on Issues of Global Concern, Celebrating Achievements and Paving the Way for Future



#DYK what a stroke is? Do your loved ones? Knowing the signs and risk factors of #stroke can save lives.

29 October is #WorldStrokeDay.

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