



School-Based Health Programs

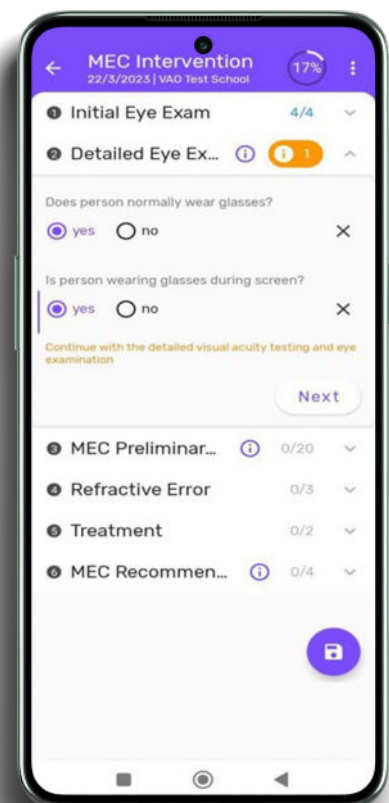
Enhancing the effectiveness of school-based health surveillance and nutrition programs through cross-sector data sharing.

Supporting school-based health programs

By using DHIS2 for education sector data, schools, districts, and national-level stakeholders can easily exchange data with public health programs, or other sectors that use DHIS2 for data management. From socio-economic profiles and attendance data, to information about performance, school feeding and at-risk learners, DHIS2 supports accurately targeted school-based health programs. Sharing data supports school-based surveillance reporting for better coverage tracking and population health. In Uganda, for example, this module has enabled better tracking of immunization coverage and joint response to health emergencies, such as Covid-19, Ebola, Measles and Malaria outbreaks, through improved routine surveillance, reporting, and referral at the school level.

Benefits of using DHIS2 for school and health data

- **Identify trends and patterns** by examining data from many sources—an advantage over single-source or single-sector analysis.
- **Cross-sector approach** encourages co-design and collaboration.
- **Increased resource sharing and reduced duplication of effort** lower the cost of data collection and management, and eliminate the need for multiple standalone solutions.



DHIS2 supports school-based health programs by enabling cross-sector collaboration and highlighting opportunities for resource sharing.



Flexible Implementation

School-based health programs can be implemented in DHIS2 in a variety of ways, and do not depend on a full-scale DHIS2-based EMIS. School health data can easily be pushed to the existing national EMIS to provide a more comprehensive perspective of factors affecting student wellbeing and learning outcomes. Successful cross-sector implementation is dependent on data integration between education and health systems and clear terms of reference and data sharing agreements between ministries—HISP can support engaging stakeholders in these discussions.

To learn more, contact the DHIS2 Education team at emis@dhis2.org.



About DHIS2 for Education

DHIS2 is an open-source, license-free, data management platform developed by the HISP Centre at the University of Oslo (UiO) and the global HISP network, and provided free of charge as a digital public good. More than 80 countries worldwide use DHIS2 for collecting and analyzing health data, and DHIS2 for Education extends the platform from the health sector to the education sector—enabling the collection, analysis, visualization, and use of individual and aggregate data from institutions of learning. It harnesses decades of DHIS2 experience with national-level systems, offering a stable, scalable, and customizable education management information system (EMIS) solution supported by the DHIS2 development team and global HISP network, and allows countries to leverage their existing DHIS2 capacity and expertise.

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