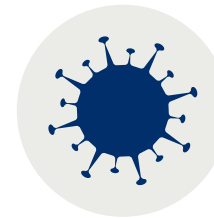




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The US has partnered with the Philippines on Global Health Security (GHS) since 2022



The Philippines is at risk for epidemic prone infectious disease threats, including dengue, Zika, chikungunya, and zoonotic influenza



First Joint External Evaluation (JEE) conducted in 2018

## The U.S. Government (USG) GHS Program in the Philippines

The U.S. partners with the Government of the Philippines to strengthen the country's capacities to prevent, detect, and respond to infectious disease threats.

USG's Global Health Security investments also support stronger, more resilient health systems, including training human and animal health workers and strengthening One Health laboratories and surveillance systems. These investments support and build on those made by the Government of the Philippines, in coordination with other partners and stakeholders.

Current and planned GHS activities reflect national priorities, build on best available data, and align with the country context and the health system.

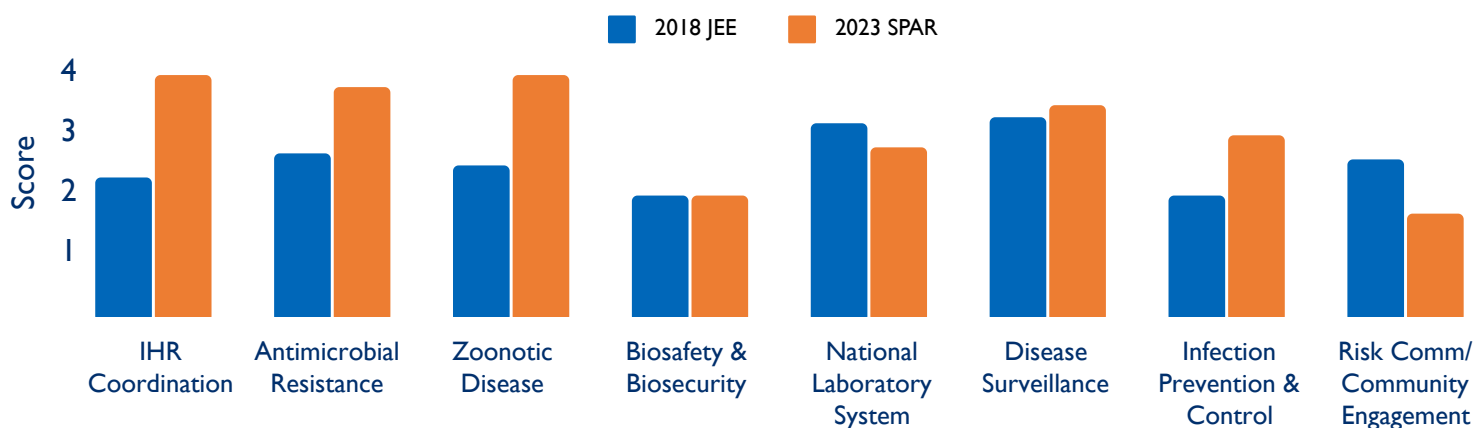
Students receive a booklet on their first day back to school encouraging healthy behaviors and vaccination for COVID-19 prevention. Photo: USAID's Breakthrough Action/Philippines

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## Impact of GHS Investments

The Philippines has made significant progress strengthening its health security. The Joint External Evaluation (JEE) is a voluntary external assessment of health security capacities conducted approximately every 4-5 years while the States Party Annual Report (SPAR) is an annual self-assessment of these capacities conducted by the governments themselves. The chart below estimates the progress made in the technical areas endorsed by the Government of the Philippines for U.S. GHS collaboration.

Philippines GHS Capacity Scores Over Time\*



\*Antimicrobial Resistance uses [2021 Global Health Security Index](#) scores as they are not included in the SPAR. These tools provide the best approximation of GHS capacities though they use different methodologies. As a result direct comparisons may have limitations.

## Notable Achievements with U.S. Support

- National Action Plan for Health Security (NAPHS) developed.
- Coordination platform created to address misinformation and provide accurate communications on prevention and care of COVID-19 infection and other emerging infectious diseases, including vaccine promotion
- The Philippines One Health University Network developed a public website, providing a platform for sharing up-to-date information on local One Health issues
- The Growing Expertise in E-Health Knowledge and Skills (GEEKS) capacity-building program was launched to increase skills to prevent, detect, and respond to infectious diseases.
- The following key documents drafted: the National Strategic Plan on Zoonoses 2023-2028 and the Vaccination Guidelines & Control for Avian Influenza in the Philippines.

## Priority Technical Areas Endorsed by the Government of the Philippines for U.S. GHS

### Investments



Additional areas of investments include: Health Emergency Management