Health Service of Maputo City organized a capacity building training on WASHFIT with technical and financial support of WHO in collaboration with Department of Environmental Health from Ministry of Health and UNICEF, from 13-15 July 2022. The training was organized in Maputo City, in the Tmcel conference Center. WHO/UNICEF The overall purpose of this capacity building training was to create awareness and skill among the trainees, discuss integration of WASH FIT with ongoing WASH initiatives and programmes in health care facilities.

The training was attended by 15 trainees from the Health Service of Maputo city, including Health Care Facilities and Environmental Health Center. Training participants were able to learn how to undertake WASHFIT Assessment at Health Care Facility. Pretest, posttest and training evaluation by participants were collected to evaluate the training expected outcome. WHO/UNICEF global WASH FIT revised training package in 2020 and translated to Portuguese was used for this training. Standard 10 questions of WASH FIT were used for pre and post test. Most of the participants scored less than 50% for the pretest. In posttest most of the trainees scored at least 70% with median score of 81.33 and change of 42 score point as compared to pretest.

Participants were visited Albazini health care facility in Maputo city and conducted risk assessment using revised WASH FIT. The score for water was 70% which meaning that there is a need of additional efforts and ongoing maintenance and for other domains (sanitation, hygiene, health care waste and environment cleaning) the score was 50% which needs additional improvement including resources for improvement, follow up and capacity building.

The final session of the training was dedicated to plenary discussion to draw action points. Accordingly, the following agreed action points were outlined:
• Undertake WASHFIT Assessment in Health care facilities by training participants with the support of Heath Service of Maputo City and Environmental Health Center.
• Once the improvement plan developed and implementation started at Health care facilities undertake supportive supervision including hands on training for the workers not participated in this training September-December 2022. Health Service of Maputo City with support of WHO country office

Note: As part of sharing with wider community this WASH FIT training was published of WHO Mozambique official social media web page