

Attacks on Health Care in the occupied Palestinian territory

29 April-12 May 2026



Since the 08 April 2026 Iran ceasefire, Israeli forces have reportedly increased attacks that directly affected health facilities and access to care across Gaza. In total, Insecurity Insight identified seven incidents of violence against or obstruction of health in the 16 days between 08 and 24 April 2026, compared to four incidents in the previous 16-day period (23 March-07 April). Reported incidents include Israeli drone strikes and artillery shelling near hospitals, restricting safe access to medical care, as well as gunfire directed at a UN-run health centre. Fuel restrictions and ongoing Israeli military operations also pushed critical services closer to collapse: on 11 April, a hospital was forced to shut down one of its main generators due to fuel shortages, leaving vital departments dependent on lower-capacity backup generators operating only for limited hours.

Download the [data](#). Updated every Monday and includes information on weapons use, perpetrators and effects. For events descriptions and data enquiries, please [get in touch](#). Data is continuously updated and numbers may change if/when further information is made available. See [here](#) for methodology.

Save the Date: 3 June: 11 am EST / 4 pm BST / 5 pm CET

Join us for this 90-minute webinar for an evidence-based look at the state of health care protection in conflict settings a decade after UNSC Resolution 2286. Moving beyond headlines and pessimism, the session draws on ten years of monitoring to unpack the complex, interrelated factors driving attacks on health workers and health systems and why well-intentioned solutions have so often fallen short. We will discuss progress in preventing and mitigating violence, and exchange on the way forward to strengthen protection, uphold the rule of law, and ensure continuity of care for patients in crisis. [Register here](#)



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Documented incidents

The publicly reported incidents below are not a complete nor a representative list of all incidents that affected the provision of health care between 29 April-12 May 2026. The incidents below have not been verified through ground investigations. There is a delay in reporting incidents due to our open source verification protocol.

Gaza

29 April 2026: Near al Tawam roundabout, North Gaza governorate, a paramedic was killed in an Israeli drone strike. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#) and [Quds News Network I](#)

30 April 2026: In Deir al-Balah city and governorate, the vicinity of Al-Aqsa Hospital were struck by an Israeli drone, injuring six people. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [Quds News Network I](#)

12 May 2026: In Beit Lahia city, North Gaza governorate, the area near an MSF team was struck by two shells from an Israeli tank, injuring at least 12 people. The impact occurred around 400m from Al Tayeb Clinic. **Source:** [MSF East Africa](#)

West Bank and East Jerusalem

05 May 2026: In al Khader town, south of Bethlehem governorate, an ambulance was prevented from reaching an injured person by Israeli forces. **Source:** [Wafa](#)

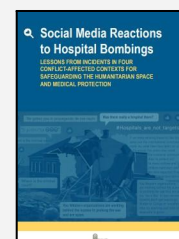
06 May 2026: In Tulkarem city and governorate, an ambulance transporting an injured young man was obstructed by Israeli forces, who seized the keys of one of the vehicles and broke its windows. **Source:** [Wafa](#)

08 May 2026: On the road between Aqraba town and the Za'tara checkpoint, Nablus governorate, an ambulance passage was obstructed by an Israeli settler. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

11 May 2026: In Qalandiya Refugee Camp, East Jerusalem, an ambulance was prevented from reaching a person who was killed by Israeli forces, who opened fire to prevent it from reaching him. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [Quds News Network I](#)

Other resources

Explosive weapons are being increasingly used in conflict, causing severe harm to civilians and critical health infrastructure. Insecurity Insight has documented 3,075 incidents in which hospitals, clinics, and pharmacies were damaged or destroyed by explosive weapons between 1 January 2016 and 4 November 2025. This [report](#) examines cases of hospital attacks, analysing social media posts and comments and how these discussions contributed to harmful content that helped to undermine the humanitarian space. **For Gaza, some comments introduced a framing that weakens IHL protection by treating the issuance of a warning or evacuation order as a form of legal justification for military action, while contextualising the area as a legitimate conflict zone.**



This document comprises threats and violence as well as protests and other events affecting the delivery of and access to health care. It is part of the [Attacks on Health Care](#) project by [Insecurity Insight](#). It is prepared from information available in local, national and international news outlets and online databases. The incidents reported are not a complete nor a representative list of all events that affected the provision of health care and have not been independently verified through ground investigations. It is funded and supported by the Tides Foundation. The opinions expressed in it do not reflect in any way the position of the Tides Foundation who are not responsible for the content expressed in this document. Visit our [opt](#) webpage. Join our [mailing](#) for the latest information.

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