Notes to the Observer

Thank you for coming to the Forensic Epidemiology Joint Training Course. Attendees at the Forensic Epidemiology Joint Training Course can have one of three different roles: facilitator, participant, or observer.

- Facilitators moderate the small group discussions of Case Studies I, II, and III
- Participants are chosen by the sponsoring organizations. They have an active role in group discussions during the breakout groups.
- Observers, also selected by sponsoring organizations, have a more passive role during breakout groups.

Observers play an important role during breakout groups. Although an observer will not read and answer questions (active participation), the observer should add his/her input if they believe the group is reaching the wrong conclusion or if they can offer unique expertise.

In general, observers play a more active role if asked to by their facilitators or concerned that their group has reached the wrong conclusion and needs their input.