

## Strategies for Enhanced Disease Surveillance and Public Health Response in Uganda



*Dr. Muruta (2nd Right) meeting the team at the METS offices*

Department of Integrated Epidemiology Surveillance & Public Health Emergencies at the Ministry of Health is mandated to spearhead implementation of disease surveillance and respond to public health emergencies. This department is

headed by Commissioner Allan Muruta (Dr) who provides oversight, coordination, and leadership. In this role, he paid a visit to the METS Program on 5th October 2023 to acquaint himself with the various surveillance activities supported by METS. In attendance were representatives from US Centers

for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Makerere University School of Public Health. During his visit the team debriefed him on activities and program supports which support disease surveillance at the national level, including population, key public health indicators, mortality, and TB. Also