# **Vacancy Notice**



The World Health Organization has a vacancy for the position of:

# **AMR National Consultant (WHO Health Emergencies Programme)**

(Short Term Consultant, for initial period of 1 year)

### **Purpose of the Post:**

The consultant will be based at the National Centre for Laboratory and Epidemiology (NCLE), Vientiane, Lao PDR and provide technical assistance in developing and implementing structured programs for antimicrobial resistance (AMR) surveillance and technical support in the bacteriology laboratory in NCLE.

Duration:

Planned Start date: 01/12/2018 Planned End date: 30/11/2019

### **Description of Duties:**

The consultant will report to and be guided by the WHO Country Office, in close coordination with the International AMR laboratory consultant. In collaboration with the National Centre for Laboratory and Epidemiology (NCLE), Ministry of Health (MoH) of Lao PDR, the consultant will conduct the following activities and submit regular reports for each activity, including proposed next steps:

- 1. Provide technical assistance through supportive visits and periodic assessments for the implementation of the AMR Surveillance Strategy and Protocols at NCLE and AMR Surveillance Sites with the MoH and the WHE and Health Systems Development teams.
- 2. Ensure periodic delivery of AMR data sets from the surveillance sites to NCLE and perform quality verification in accordance to the AMR Surveillance Strategy and Protocols
- 3. Assist NCLE on data management and analysis of AMR surveillance data.
- 4. Monitor AMR surveillance monthly activities at NCLE and AMR surveillance sites and review accomplished activities using standard indicators.
- 5. Provide onsite training to the provincial AMR sites on surveillance implementation, data collection and basic analysis.
- 6. Monitor provision of laboratory equipment and reagents for AMR surveillance at NCLE and AMR surveillance sites.
- 7. Write regular AMR surveillance reports including AMR results in Lao language.
- 8. Perform other duties as directed by the WHE team leader and the WHO representative in Lao PDR **Knowledge & skills:** 
  - Consultant should have public health work experience in surveillance, data analysis, and public health.
- Skills in planning, training, program implementation and monitoring and evaluation of interventions are essential.
- Ability to interact effectively with health professionals at various levels and to work with national counterparts, non-governmental organizations and international agencies.
- Ability to work harmoniously as a member of a team, adapt to diverse educational and cultural backgrounds and maintain a high standard of personal conduct.
  - Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
- Proficiency in standard MS Office applications including MS Excel, MS Word and MS PowerPoint are essential.

#### **Education:**

Essential: Bachelor degree in medicine or medical technology or microbiology

**Desirable:** Master degree in epidemiology or public health

### **Experience:**

Essential: At least two years' substantial work experience in epidemiology or public health

**Desirable:** Experience in managing surveillance programmes and in antimicrobial resistance analysis

# Languages:

Proficient in English Proficient in Lao

Other skills (e.g. IT): Proficiency in standard MS Office applications.

Interested and qualified candidates are invited to submit applications and curriculum vitae in the English language with a subject "Short Term Consultant: AMR National Consultant to the below address by 13 November 2018.

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