Vacancy Notice



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

Technical Officer, Neglected Tropical Diseases

(Fixed-term position, 2-year contract with possible extension, at NO-C level)

Purpose of the post:

To provide technical support to the Ministries of Health and Education and Sports, and the Centre of Malariology, Parasitology and Entomology (CMPE) in the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of public health interventions for parasite control in the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Duties:

Under the direct supervision of the WHO Health Emergencies Programme - Country Team Leader and guidance of the Head of WHO Country Office, Lao People's Democratic Republic, the incumbent shall perform the following functions:

- 1. Provide expert technical assistance to the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education and Sports to develop policy, strategy, action plan, implementation guideline, SOP and other documents in line with global and regional frame work to control priority vector-borne, foodborne, and other parasitic diseases in the Lao People's Democratic Republic;
- 2. Provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education and Sports to plan, design, implement, monitor and evaluate the priority intervention for control of priority vector-borne, foodborne, and other parasitic diseases;
- Provide technical assistance and coordination to the Ministry of Health and different sectors to establish
 committees and technical working groups to implement monitoring and evaluation of control activities for
 priority vector-borne, foodborne, and parasitic diseases;
- 4. Provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Health to set up pilot intervention, monitoring and evaluation for priority vector-borne and other foodborne diseases;
- 5. Provide technical support to the Ministry of Health to set up database for data storage and analysis epidemiology data on parasites and creating reports for advocacy meeting;
- 6. Provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education and Sports to create a report of treatment coverage, survey, and request for medicines for priority vector-borne and parasitic diseases to WHO every year;
- 7. Conduct investigation of adverse event after mass drug administration, outbreak investigation of vector-borne or other diseases;
- 8. Provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Health to write technical and financial reports to submit to donors;
- 9. Provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Health and coordinate with related partners to write proposals to submit to government and other donors and to mobilize sustainable funding;
- 10. Coordinate and work with other sectors within WHO, development partners and NGOs in planning, implementation and monitoring of interventions for integration and efficiency;
- 11. Promote WHO interventions and policy advocacy which involves multisectoral collaboration and participatory approaches with national counterparts, nongovernmental organizations and international agencies and;
- 12. Perform other relevant duties as maybe required.

Knowledge & skills:

- Knowledge and experience in public health programmes for parasite control.

- Skills, training, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of interventions and development of locally adapted tools and instruments.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to interact with health professionals at various levels and to do work with national counterparts, NGOs 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.

Education:

<u>Essential</u>: University degree in medicine or any health-related sciences from a recognized university. <u>Desirable</u>: Advanced university degree or equivalent professional training in tropical diseases, public health or related subjects and specialization in research are desirable.

Experience:

<u>Essential</u>: Five years' work experience at the national level in the development and implementation of public health interventions. Experience in policy formulation and establishment of parasite control activities at national level, including work experience with government.

<u>Desirable</u>: Experience in writing proposals and reports. Experience in working with NGOs and/or with regional or international organizations

Languages:

Excellent knowledge of written and spoken English and Lao.

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

Interested and qualified candidates are invited to submit applications online at http://www.who.int/careers/en/ (Job# 1800057 "Technical Officer, Neglected Tropical Diseases, NPO, NO-C, Vientiane, Lao PDR"). Shoul you have any difficulties in the online applications process, please submit your applications at the below address by 31 January 2018

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