



**World Health
Organization**

Sri Lanka

VACANCY NOTICE

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Vacancy Notice No: WCO-SRL-2020/04

Date: 20 July 2020

Title: Digital Health Consultant

Deadline for application : 30 July 2020

Contract type: Special Services Agreement

Grade: NO-C

Duration of contract: 12 moths with possible extensions

Organization unit: Country Office for Sri Lanka

Introduction:

The World Health Organization is the United Nations Specialized agency for health established on 7 April 1948. WHO was one of the first United Nations agencies in Sri Lanka (1952) and over sixty years on, WHO remains a steadfast intergovernmental organization committed to supporting the people of the country to attain the highest level of health through the strengthening of the health system on the principles of equity, fairness and responsiveness with emphasis on the poor and marginalized.

Our Goal

"To support the people of the country to attain the highest level of health through strengthening of the health system on the principles of equity, fairness and responsiveness with emphasis on the poor and marginalized."

Our Core Functions

- Providing leadership on matters critical to health and engaging in partnerships where joint action is needed
- Shaping the research agenda and stimulating the generation, translation and dissemination of valuable knowledge
- Setting norms and standards, and promoting and monitoring their implementation
- Articulating ethical and evidence-based policy options
- Providing technical support, catalyzing change, and building sustainable institutional capacity
- Monitoring the health situation and assessing health trends

Objectives of the Consultancy:

Under the GPW 13, WHO will step up leadership to strengthen and institutionalize the capacity of Member States on data and health information systems. It aims to ensure that optimal methods are used to fill data gaps in countries by leveraging global, regional and national partners and establishing data governance functions.

The WHO Country Office has provided technical assistance to the Ministry of Health in developing and updating the digital health information solutions to facilitate and monitor the uninterrupted provision of essential services and converting the existing systems to digital formats for better and

efficient information sharing during the COVID-19 outbreak. In the last biennium, it supported the evaluation of the different electronic Health Information Systems used by different units of the MoH and initiated the development of a HIS Architectural Blueprint and supported the development of an integrated HIS development proposal to the Global Fund under the Debt to Health swap.

The WHO Country Office (WCO) is seeking a National Consultant to assist in strengthening data, analytics and health information systems to inform policy and deliver impacts at the country level. The successful candidate will play a key role in developing and implementing digital solutions to strengthen Sri Lanka's data system and capacities in line with identified priorities in the work plan.

Job Description:

Under the guidance of the Public Health Administrator and day to day supervision of NPO HSPE, the SSA will:

- Support the design, implementation and evaluation of the Electronic Learning Management System for Sri Lanka for both basic and in-service training components for Ministry of Health Education Training and Research Unit and the office of the Director Health Information;
- Support the conceptualization, design, implementation and evaluation of the Electronic Learning Management System for Continuous Medical Education / Continuous Professional Development platform for Health care workers in Sri Lanka and beyond linked to the MoH LMS, different professional collages, professional councils and the WHO Academy;
- Building on the existing SDG Tracker, design and implement systems for tracking, monitoring and presenting through interactive dashboards, the information on indicator values for SDG 3 and GPW 13 at national and subnational levels;
- Support NPOs in conceptualization, design and implementation of digital health solution to optimize essential services in time of COVID outbreak and beyond under the new normalcy;
- Advise in conceptualizing, design, implementation and evaluation on digital health solutions for Communicable Disease surveillance, case tracking and monitoring at national and subnational level (Quarantine centers, surveillance systems and Disaster Management Center);
- Coordinate with WHO and MoH on Electronic Health Information System Architectural Blueprint design and development of the Sri Lanka Health Information System Strategic Master Plan;
- Facilitate efficient data collection, analysis, dissemination, evidence-informed policy-making and improved capacities to analyze and use data.
- Perform any other related duties assigned by the supervisor as and when required which includes; Drafting of necessary technical reports and documents as per requirements of the Organization, and to assist in preparation, organization and following-up of WHO-organized meetings
- Submit an assignment report upon completion of assignment.

Deliverables

- Contributions to the implementation of the Work Plan on Data and Innovation
- Development and implementation of the Learning Management Information System
- Updated SDG3 tracker
- Digital solutions for effective delivery of essential health services
- Contributions to the Sri Lanka Health Information System Strategic Master Plan

Recruitment Profile:

Education:

Essential

- PhD/MD in the field of Medical Informatics obtained from a recognized university in Sri Lanka or overseas with
- Masters / MPh in Public Health obtained from a recognized university in Sri Lanka or overseas

Desirable:

- Training in Learning Management Systems and Information System Architecture design and development

Experience:

Essential

- At least 5 years work experience in relation to conceptualization, design, implementation and evaluation of Health Information Systems in Sri Lanka;
- Experience in developing Digital Health Architectural Blueprints and interoperability solutions for linking to a common system;
- Experience in conceptualization, design and implementation of electronic Learning Management Systems using Moodle or similar platforms for health care workers and program specific information systems aligned with the National Health Information System in Sri Lanka
- Experience in developing and using DHIS 2 based software packages for national / subnational level information systems
- Demonstrated experience in capacity building on digital health

Desirable:

- International work experience
- Training in Learning Management Systems and Information System Architecture design and development
- Good knowledge of global health and national health development issues
- Familiarity with WHO processes and experience with other international agencies
- Ability to work collaboratively in teams and be innovative

Language Skills:

- Excellent written and spoken English, fluency in Sinhala or Tamil.

Competencies:

- Producing results
- Teamwork
- Respecting and promoting individual and cultural differences
- Communicating in a credible and effective way
- Ensuring effective use of resources

Annual Salary & others Benefits:

Annual Salary

- Annual salary will be based on Professional Staff local salary pay band

Others Benefits

WHO Offers locally competitive packages such as:

- Health Insurance; Accident and illness insurance;
- Annual Leave (30 days per year)
- Sick leave (7 days per year);
- WHO Holidays

Special Requirement

- Availability to start work in two weeks of selection

NOTE:


- 1) Qualified Candidates will be evaluated and interviewed.
- 2) Applicants should send a brief **Resume** of their relevant experience, explaining reasons for being suitable of the activity, together with duly completed **Personal History Form (PHF) and scanned copies of educational certificates.**
- 3) Please send your applications only via email to: **ragelk@who.int**
- 4) We regret that due to large volume of applications normally received, applications cannot be acknowledged individually.
- 5) This vacancy is open to all Sri Lankan Nationals (all genders). ***Qualified female candidates are encouraged to apply***

"WHO is committed to workforce diversity". "Any attempt to unduly influence WHO's selection process will lead to automatic disqualification of the applicant."



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