Compendium of innovative health technologies for low-resource settings: Medical devices, assistive products, eHealth/mHealth applications, personal protective equipment (PPE), medical simulation devices, and other health technologies

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Deadline: May 15, 2016

The Health Systems and Innovation cluster of WHO invites you to submit your solution to the Call for innovative health technologies for low-resource settings. Submitted technologies should demonstrate safety, quality, effectiveness, and appropriateness for low-resource settings. Evaluation will be done based on submitted documents and references as well as publicly available material. Selected submissions will be published in the WHO Compendium of innovative health technologies for low-resource settings 2016. The annual publication serves as a neutral platform to introduce health technologies that have the potential to improve current health outcomes or to offer a solution to an unmet medical need in low-resource settings. The 2016 edition will include medical devices, assistive products, eHealth/mHealth applications, personal protective equipment (PPE), medical simulation devices, and other health technologies. The 2016 edition of the Compendium series will comprise of two sections: 1) technologies in development and 2) technologies that are commercialized but have limited or no availability in low-resource settings. For the purposes of this call, a "low-resource setting" is defined as low- and middle-income countries or any place with limited infrastructure (e.g. no running water, unstable or unavailable electricity, few or no specialized health professionals, low accessibility, located far from a hospital, etc.).

All health technologies submitted will be reviewed, but the 2016 Compendium will focus on technologies that address key global health concerns such as:
- diagnosis, management, and treatment of infectious diseases.
- maternal, newborn, and child care.
- noncommunicable diseases (cancer, diabetes, cardiovascular, chronic respiratory disease, and mental health).
- emergency preparedness and response.

Disclaimer: The submission of the applications and subsequent selection process and outcome will not be subject to any claim or appeal of any kind whatsoever. WHO will not be held to offer applicants any explanation as to why their proposal had been rejected. Please carefully read the "Terms, conditions, and disclaimers" document before filling out the electronic form.

Conditions for Submission:
- Submissions for all technologies (under development or commercialized) must meet the following criteria:
  - evidence of affordability, ease of use, durability, and other relevant factors to justify appropriateness for low-resource settings.
  - evidence of being more appropriate for low-resource settings than existing solutions.
- Submissions for commercialized technologies must meet the following additional criteria:
  - clearance from a regulatory body (if needed) and compliance with standards or national equivalents to justify safety, quality, and effectiveness.
  - affordability and availability information available.
  - currently limited or no availability in low-resource settings.
- Submissions for technologies in development must meet the following additional criteria:
  - evidence of a technical review or assessment that suggests potential for final commercial product to be safe, of good quality, effective, and appropriate.

General instructions
- It is required that you choose a generic name for your technology. Please do not use the brand name, website, or company name in your answers, except where specifically requested. Please make sure that neither brand name, nor company name or symbol is visible on the picture of your technology.
- To be considered, please make sure you fill out all required fields. Incomplete applications or applications with empty mandatory fields will not be considered.
- For those questions requesting pictures, drawings, or evidence, please either provide references or upload the documents to the submission form.
- All information that you provide could be published. Please provide references where necessary.
- Please note that there is capability to save progress on an unfinished form by using the "resume later" button.
- Please direct all questions and concerns regarding submissions to techinnovation@who.int.