

# **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

## **Technical Assistance for Architectural and Engineering Design for FDA Vaccine Laboratory**



**World Health Organization**

Representative Office  
for the Philippines

### **1. Summary**

The World Health Organization (WHO) Philippines is searching for an individual or institutional partner to recommend an architectural and engineering design of a vaccine testing laboratory for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of the Department of Health (DOH) under an Agreement for Performance of Work (APW) contract. The proposals are due by 30 May 2021.

### **Background**

The availability of a safe and effective vaccine for COVID-19 is well-recognized as an additional tool to contribute to the control of the pandemic. As more vaccines are developed and made accessible through the extraordinary global research undertaking and collaboration among organizations, experts and countries, there is a need to ensure that COVID-19 vaccines are of quality, safe and effective. The same measure holds true for all other vaccines to be used in the national program or commercial use.

Vaccines are tested during both the pre-licensure and the post-licensure phases. Tests are done to validate product quality, lot to lot consistency, shipment validation, compliance validation when complaints are filed associated with potential product-related adverse events and suspected quality-related issues. It is the national regulatory agency's role to help ensure public health and safety in the use of health products especially vaccines. The Philippine FDA need to assure that vaccines are evaluated properly and meet international standards of quality and safety.

### **Purpose**

This APW is aimed to ensure that the architectural and engineering design for the vaccine testing laboratory are compliant to national laws and international standards.

### **2. Timeline**

The implementation timeline for the project is from **10 June 2021 to 15 July 2021**.

### **3. Place of Assignment**

Food and Drug Administration, Manila, Philippines

### **4. Scope of Work**

In collaboration with FDA, the APW shall:

#### **Output 1. Facilities Design**

Deliverable 1.1: Conduct comprehensive on-site assessment of the current structure, facility, and location for the construction of the vaccine testing laboratory

Deliverable 1.2: Develop full architectural and engineering plans and design of the vaccine testing laboratory which conform to the provisions of the relevant laws and standards in the Philippines with complete bill of quantities (see Annex A)

Deliverable 1.3: Project management support in bidding and construction phase

Deliverable 1.4: Provide official reports and documentation

## 5. Qualifications

The individual contractual partner or institution's members must fulfil the following qualifications:

### Education and Certifications

- Desired: An architectural and engineering professional or firm that holds local Philippines licenses, in good standing and a list of accomplished and completed projects within healthcare, pharmaceutical, and biomedical research industries. Sub-contractor's experience is acceptable.

### Work Experience

- Project Management experience for more than 6 years in the Republic of the Philippines and/or other ASEAN countries
- Desired: With at least 6 years track record in designing and building testing laboratories based on national and international standards such as of the WHO Guidelines. Sub-contractor's experience is acceptable

### Technical skills and knowledge

- With a team of professionals with experience and credentials in architecture, engineering (i.e., Structural and Civil, Electrical, Mechanical and Sanitary) and biosafety/occupational safety and health

### Language

- Good English communication (writing and speaking) skills.

In addition, the individual/institution and its members shall have no involvement, in any form, in drugs, arms dealing, alcohol industry, or human trafficking.

## 6. Other Requirements

N/A

## 7. Submission Requirements

Interested institutions and/or individuals should submit electronic copies of the following:

- Cover letter
- Proposal with financial details and proposed timeline
- Company profile and qualifications of team members (if institution) or curriculum vitae (if individual)

Address all cover letters and proposals to:

**Dr Rabindra Abeyasinghe**

WHO Representative to the Philippines

Ground Floor, Building 3, Department of Health San Lazaro Compound

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Please submit the electronic copy of the cover letters and proposals with the title **Technical Assistance for Architectural and Engineering Design for FDA Vaccine Laboratory** to Mrs Ying Chen ([cheny@who.int](mailto:cheny@who.int)) and [wpphlwr@who.int](mailto:wpphlwr@who.int) Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted by WHO Philippines.

Deadline of submission of application is on **30 May 2021**.