CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Contractual partner for the Leprosy Elimination and Control through Leprosy Alert Response Network System (LEARNS) and Modified Leprosy Elimination Campaign (MLEC) and Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)



1. Summary

The World Health Organization (WHO) Philippines is looking for a contractual partner for the Leprosy Elimination and Control through Leprosy Alert Response Network System (LEARNS), Modified Leprosy Elimination Campaign (MLEC) and Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) under an Agreement for Performance of Work (APW) contract.

The proposals are due by 05 May 2021.

2. Background

The country's strategy has shifted towards further reducing disease burden and sustaining leprosy control activities, most importantly at the community level. The National Leprosy Program needs support to attain the national and global goals of a leprosy-free world. This will require cooperation between public and private sectors and all levels of healthcare. The Modified Leprosy Elimination Campaign, to be conducted in the selected provinces, aims for the following:

- Conduct systematic screening of all household contacts of at least 80% of the leprosy affected persons registered in the past five years in the selected provinces.
- Provide post-exposure prophylaxis to eligible people
- Train frontline workers and supervisors by engaging them during the systematic screening campaign.

3. Timeline

The implementation timeline for the project is from 15 May to 30 November 2021

4. Place of Assignment

This project needs to be conducted in:

- Region 3: Camiling, Tarlac
- Region 7: Danao, Bohol
- Region 9: Siay, Zamboanga Sibugay

5. Scope of Work

Output/s

Output 1: (Inception Report) Plan to conduct the systematic screening submitted & presented Deliverable 1.1: Meet the concerned representatives of the Department of Health and World Health Organization to present the draft plan (the targets and budget are negotiable)

Deliverable 1.2: Submit the final plan to the World Health Organization Country Office, Philippines

Output 2: Systematic screening of all household contacts of at least 80% of the leprosy affected persons registered in the past five years conducted

Deliverable 2.1: Meet local authorities to seek approval for the systematic screening

Deliverable 2.2: Conduct the systematic screening with frontline workers and supervisors, in collaboration with Municipal Health Officer and/or other concerned officers using LEARNS Deliverable 2.3: Provide post-exposure prophylaxis to eligible people

Output 3: Mid-term report of the project submitted and presented

Deliverable 3.1: Submit a mid-term report (along with the raw, analysable dataset) on the activities conducted along with all relevant photos

Output 4: Full report of the project submitted

Deliverable 4.1: Submit a full report (along with the raw, analysable dataset) on the activities conducted along all relevant photos.

6. Qualifications

Experience completing this type of work.

Specific requirements for the agency:

- Essential: The agency should have had at least five years of experience in the field of public health.
- Desirable: The agency should have had at least two years of experience in similar projects, specifically those related to community campaigns for disease prevention, case-finding, community awareness or other types of outreach public health services.

Other requirements:

• Essential: No conflict of interest regarding the concerned companies which might bias iudgement

In addition, the contractual partner agency and its members must have no direct or indirect interest in the tobacco industry, alcohol industry, arms dealing or human trafficking.

7. Competencies

 The team members should have demonstrable technical competence in leprosy and teamwork.

8. Submission Requirements

Interested institutions should submit electronic copies of the following:

- Cover letter
- Proposal with financial details and proposed timeline
- Company profile

Address all documents to:

Dr Rabindra Abeyasinghe

WHO Representative to the Philippines Ground Floor, Building 3, Department of Health San Lazaro Compound Rizal Avenue, Sta Cruz, Manila

Please submit the electronic copy of the documents with the title "Contractual partner for the Leprosy Elimination and Control through Leprosy Alert Response Network System (LEARNS) and Modified Leprosy Elimination Campaign (MLEC) and Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)" to Mrs Ying Chen (cheny@who.int) copied to wpphlwr@who.int. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted by WHO Philippines.

Deadline of submission of proposals is on 05 May 2021