

NOTICE FOR VACANCY

Regional Technical Specialist cum Field Supervisor
for the Subnational Initiative (SNI) Phase 2



**World Health
Organization**

Representative Office
for the Philippines

1. Summary

The World Health Organization (WHO) is looking for an individual contractual partner to serve as a Regional Technical Specialist cum Field Supervisor for the Subnational Initiative (SNI) Phase 2, under Special Services Agreement (SSA) contract.

The submission of application is due by 21 June 2022.

2. Background

In partnership with the Department of Health Central Office, and DOH Center for Health Development, Regions Caraga, Davao and Western Visayas, and with funding support from the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), the World Health Organization Philippines (WHO/PHL) is implementing the Subnational Initiative Project (SNIP), Phase 2. The project aims to improve health systems for better maternal and child health outcomes which situate WHO/PHL in a technical advisory and catalytic role among key stakeholders and the communities. Similar to SNIP Phase 1, SNIP Phase 2 will have three key systems approaches namely: 1) Making MNH a priority for local government units (LGUs); 2) Making sure MNH services can deliver; and 3) Stimulating MNH uptake in communities.

The project is being implemented province-wide in a total of 6 provinces, 4 in Davao Region, and 1 each for Western Visayas and Caraga Regions. With the expansion of coverage of the SNI program and health systems related activities, there is a need for close and continuous coordination with the different partners and stakeholders, to align the priorities of the project with that of the goals of the Department of Health, and with the universal health care law.

To ensure the above alignment and for a smooth project start up, there is a need for additional contract personnel to assist the Health Systems Strengthening Team Lead, and the RMNCAHN Technical Officer to ensure smooth and continuous implementation of the SNI Phase 2 project. The aforementioned contractor shall liaise with the respective Department of Health- Center for Health Development and relevant provincial offices, supervision smooth interaction and relationship in the implementation of the necessary collaborations and coordination relative to the project at the field level.

3. Timeline

The contract period is from **June 2022 to 30 April 2023**.

4. Place of Assignment

The incumbent will be based in Davao City, Philippines. The selected contractor will be expected to spend 40% of time in Davao City and 30% each for Agusan del Sur and Aklan.

5. Scope of Work

The SSA holder shall work under contract with the World Health Organization – Office of the Representative in the Philippines as part of the Sub-National Initiative – Health Systems Strengthening. She/he is under the strategic guidance and supervision of the HSS Team Leader and the Technical Officer of RMNCAHN. She/he will be regularly moving from 1 project site to the other, and as needed whenever and wherever stop gap assistance is needed.

Objectives: With strategic guidance and supervision from the Team Lead, Health Systems Strengthening, and Technical Officer of RMNCAHN, the SSA shall have the following tasks/responsibilities:

- a. Overall coordination and direct supervision of the implementation of SNI Phase 2 activities at provincial and regional level.
- b. Liaise with Center for Health Development (VI, XI & XIII), relevant local health systems partners, and key stakeholders at the regional level for the integrated implementation of SNI Phase II activities in line with national, regional, and local health plans and priorities, and with the UHC.
- c. Attend relevant meetings at the regional levels, and provide technical advice to the Provincial Field Coordinators, provide technical inputs as necessary, and provide feedback to her/his supervisors at the national level.
- d. Ensures a strong collaboration with the Provincial, Regional Offices and the Local Government Units in implementing the WHO strategies and activities under Subnational Initiative Phase II.
- e. Provide technical advice to health situation analysis, health planning at operational, sub-national and regional and provincial levels.
- f. Guides and supervises the field coordinators on the overall coordination, monitoring and regular reporting of SNI Phase II project activities.
- g. Perform other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned by the Supervisors.

6. Qualifications and experience

The individual contractual partner must fulfil the following educational qualifications and work experience:

Education

- Essential: A university degree in allied medical field or public health.
- Desired: substantive training or a qualification in public management, health systems management, or any health-related master's programme or course or similar is an advantage.

Work Experience

- Should have at least 5 years of experience in health program and/or project management

- At least 2 years' experience in working on collection and analysis of health data and statistics
- Previous experience working at the subnational level, at a wider scale (Involving not a single, but multiple programmes, especially on planning, monitoring and evaluation, Strategic Information, Governance and Health Systems
- Prior experience with good performance, and with established good working relations with the DOH, either at the national or subnational levels, and with WHO.
- Familiarity with the local health care delivery system in the Philippines particularly the roles and functions of National, Regional, PHO and DOH representatives in policy and planning
- Has knowledge and experience of work with the UN system and procedures.
- Able to conduct discussion with UN agencies, government institutions, and LGUs/NGOs.

Technical Expertise and Other Skills:

- Excellent organizational, communication, writing and interpersonal skills.
- Has excellent coordination and negotiation skills.
- Proficient in basic ICT systems and applications.

Competencies

- Communication.
- Teamwork.
- Respecting and promoting individual and cultural differences.
- Producing results.
- Building and promoting partnerships across the organization and beyond.

Language:

- Fluency in English and Filipino languages (Expert – read, write and speak).

7. Other Requirements

The contractor has no direct or indirect involvement or interest, in any form, in arms dealing, drugs, alcohol industry, tobacco industry or human trafficking. The contractor and personnel involved in this work shall have no conflicts of interest in relation to the work being undertaken.

8. Ethical and Professional Standards

- WHO prides itself on a workforce that adheres to the highest ethical and professional standards and that is committed to put the WHO Values Charter into practice.

- WHO has zero tolerance towards sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA), sexual harassment and other types of abusive conduct (i.e., discrimination, abuse of authority and harassment). All members of the WHO workforce have a role to play in promoting a safe and respectful workplace and should report to WHO any actual or suspected cases of SEA, sexual harassment, and other types of abusive conduct. To ensure that individuals with a substantiated history of SEA, sexual harassment or other types of abusive conduct are not hired by the Organization, WHO will conduct a background verification of final candidates.

9. Travel

The SSA holder may be expected to travel on the identified project sites if necessary.

10. Submission Requirements

Interested individuals should submit electronic copies of the following:

- Cover letter
- Curriculum Vitae

Address all cover letters and applications to:

Dr Rajendra Yadav

Acting 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 applications with the title **Regional Technical Specialist cum Field Supervisor for the Subnational Initiative (SNI) Phase 2** to Mrs Ying Chen, (cheny@who.int) and to wpphlwr@who.int Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted by WHO Philippines.

The deadline for submission of applications is on **21 June 2022**.