

## **NOTICE FOR VACANCY**

**Technical Assistance on Adolescent Health and Development (AHDP), including Adolescent and Child Abuse/ Violence Prevention, and on Family Planning (FP)**



**World Health Organization**

Representative Office  
for the Philippines

### **1. Summary**

The World Health Organization (WHO) is looking for an individual contractual partner who will provide technical assistance on Adolescent Health and Development (AHDP), including Adolescent and Child Abuse/ Violence Prevention, and on Family Planning (FP), under Special Services Agreement (SSA) contract.

The proposals are due by 23 April 2022.

### **2. Background**

Adolescent health has recently been given greater focus because of the ever-growing health and development issues that young people face. The Global Strategy, with its health priorities for women, children and adolescents to survive, thrive and transform, contributes to the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3 to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.

The Family Planning (FP) program remains as an effective way of reducing maternal mortality, however in the Philippines FP is still one of the most challenging DOH programmes due to religious and cultural dissent to contraception despite the passage of the Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health (RPRH) Law in 2012. It is a known fact in the country that adolescents need parental consent to be able to access RH services, especially FP services.

The World Health Organization reaffirm our commitment to the vision of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's, and Adolescent Health and the Sustainable Development Goals. It includes strategies to respond to the gaps of both adolescent health and development which includes promoting family planning as a form of promoting reproductive health and preventing maternal deaths, including that and especially among adolescent girls. Additionally, violence against children (including young adolescents) are among the factors that deter healthy, mental, psychological and physical development of children and adolescents. Through the concerted effort of all sectors, we can make the vision of a healthier world a reality.

The work will involve data collection, background research, policy and programme support as well as qualitative and quantitative analysis of all collected data. It will require contribution to development of documents, reports, and project management, including technical assistance, coordination, and consultation with Department of Health (DOH) Central Office and the relevant attached agencies, other relevant national government agencies, Centers for Health Development (CHD) and relevant local government unit partners, and key stakeholders as appropriate.

### 3. Timeline

The contract period is from **1 May 2022 to 30 December 2022**. Depending on availability of funds and satisfactory work the contract can be extended.

### 4. Place of Assignment

The incumbent will be based in Manila, Philippines.

### 5. Scope of Work

With strategic guidance and supervision from the Coordinator, Health Systems Strengthening, and direct supervision from the Technical Officer for Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health and Nutrition (RMNCAHN), the SSA shall have the following tasks/ responsibilities:

**Output 1: Provide Technical Guidance and coordination of activities relating to adolescent health and development at national and sub-national levels; Liaise with Department of Health (DOH) Central Office and other relevant government agencies (POPCOM, DSWD, etc) Centers for Health Development and relevant local health systems partners, key stakeholders for advancing the adolescent health care and development in country as follows:**

Deliverable 1.1: In coordination with DOH and CHDs, support the promotion of the Adolescent-Friendly Health Facilities (AFHF) strategy for Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health (ASRH) services and information, at the subnational level, especially, but not limited to the SNI Phase 2 project sites.

Deliverable 1.2: Coordination with the Department of Health for the sustainability of all Adolescent Health and Development Program (AHDP) initiatives including the DOH-WHO AHDP Manual of Operations focusing on the monitoring and evaluation of its implementation, promotion and TA on FP and other ASRH concerns among adolescents, promotion of the Y-PEER strategy and community youth engagement on health, etc.

Deliverable 1.3: Coordinates with United Nations International Children's Emergency Funds (UNICEF) and United Nations Populations Fund (UNFPA) as well as with DOH and DepEd in the Joint Programme on Accelerating the Reduction of Adolescent Pregnancy in the Philippines.

Deliverable 1.4: Coordinate with WHO Western Pacific Region (WPRO), United Nations International Children's Emergency Funds (UNICEF), Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) on ending violence against

**Output 2: Provide technical advice and coordination on Family Planning Programme:**

Deliverable 2.1: Support DOH and other UN Agencies and INGOs in the continuous generation of data to update the situational analysis and determine priorities in advancing FP agenda in country.

Deliverable 2.2: Support the conceptualization and development of FP interventions to minimize disparities in access to FP services and information which will be aligned to the new normal.

Deliverable 2.3: Maintains a comprehensive data base on FP, determining data and intervention gaps, for policy formulation and programming or planning purposes.

Deliverable 2.4: Supports the expansion of access to FP services at national and subnational level.

**Output 3: Perform other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned by the Supervisor.**

## **6. Qualifications and experience**

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

### Education

- A University degree in any paramedical course.

### Work Experience

- At least 3 years of direct professional experience in programs with adolescents, and on Family Planning programme.
- Previous experience in health program and/or project management and analysis of data.
- Prior experience with good performance, and with established good working relations with the DOH, both at the national and subnational levels, and with other UN Agencies and INGOs.
- Sound experience consulting and engaging with a wide variety of organizations, such as UN agencies, INGOs, CSOs, government institutions, relevant NGAs, and LGUs.
- Desirable: experience with program monitoring and evaluation, and health information systems management including familiarity with facility-based health information systems.

### Language:

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

### Skills:

- Basic computer skills and knowledge in Microsoft Windows application
- Expert writing skills (reports, narratives, stories from the field, etc)
- Interpersonal communication skills
- Facilitation skills

## Competencies

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

## **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 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-Prasad Hubraj Yadav**

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Please submit the electronic copy of the applications with the title **Technical Assistance on Adolescent Health and Development (AHDP), including Adolescent and Child Abuse/ Violence Prevention, and on Family Planning (FP)** to Mrs Ying Chen, ([cheny@wno.int](mailto:cheny@wno.int)) and to [wpphlwr@who.int](mailto:wpphlwr@who.int) Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted by WHO Philippines.

Deadline of submission of applications is on **23 April 2022**.

**ANNEX: Section 36 of the UHC IRR:**

- 36.1 *All health service providers and insurers are required to maintain a health information system on enterprise resource planning, human resource information system, electronic health records, and electronic prescription log, including electronic health commodities logistics management information, which shall be electronically uploaded on a regular basis through interoperable systems consistent with standards set by the DOH and PhilHealth and in consultation with the DICT and NPC; Provided, That the applicable standards shall be set depending on variables such as type and level of health care providers.*
- 36.2 *The DOH and PhilHealth, in consultation with the DICT and NPC, shall issue detailed guidelines on the scope and standards of electronic health records, enterprise resource planning, human resource information system, electronic health records and electronic prescription log including electronic health commodities logistics management and maintenance of said information system; Provided, That the same shall be without prejudice to future amendments in response to evolving needs and practices.*
- 36.3 *The DOH and PhilHealth shall fund and engage providers, through appropriate mechanisms, to develop and upgrade information systems, which may be availed at no cost by health care providers and insurers.*
- 36.4 *The DOH, PhilHealth. Health service providers and insurers, shall ensure patient confidentiality in the maintenance of health information systems in compliance with RA 10173 (Data Privacy Act).*
- 36.5 *PhilHealth shall use its contracts to incentivize the incorporation of health information systems, automation of clinical information, improvement of data quality, integration and use of telemedicine, and participation in regional or national health information networks.*
- 36.6 *The DOH and PhilHealth shall adopt efficient approaches to the best advantage of both agencies in the development and implementation of health information systems based on the results of feasibility studies.*
- 36.7 *The DOH and PhilHealth shall issue guidelines for the maintenance of the information systems and access of healthcare providers and insurers.*