Vacancy Notice

The World Health Organization has a vacancy for the position of:

**National Communication consultant, COVID-19 (WHO Health Emergencies Programme)**
(Short Term Consultant, for initial period of 6 Months)

**Purpose of the Post:**
To provide technical assistance on Risk Communication to the Ministry of Health to prepare and manage COVID-19 communication.

**Duration:**
Planned Start date: 07/04/2020
Planned End date: 30/09/2020

**Description of Duties:**
The consultant will report to and be guided by the WHO Country Office Health Emergencies Programme, Country Team Leader. The consultant is assigned to:

- Support IEC material development, including assisting with translation of health education material and working with social media
- Monitor health topics published on the media and social media and inform to WR and the WHE team in the WHO country office
- Monitoring of rumours through different networks, both in the media and from the public
- Support to the daily press conference hosted by MoH and if necessary assist with press releases and preparation of talking points
- Conduct risk perception analysis to identify major gaps with international consultants
- Develop communications messages for the different case scenarios on COVID-19 for different audiences in the different scenarios as the situation evolves
- Coordinate with partners for communications activities
- Support CCEH developing Information, education and communication materials and providing translation as required
- Support community engagement as required

**Knowledge & skills:**
- Excellent knowledge on Risk Communication
- Good knowledge of public health concepts
- Proficiency in standard MS Office applications including MS Excel, MS Word and MS PowerPoint are essential

**Education:**
- **Essential:** University degree related to social science
- **Desirable:** Master of related social science

**Experience:**
- **Essential:** A minimum of two years' of work experience in communication
- **Desirable:** Experience in working with international organizations.
  Experience in public health.
Languages:
  Proficient in English
  Proficient in Lao

Other skills (e.g. IT): Proficiency in standard MS Office applications.

Interested and qualified candidates are invited to submit applications and curriculum vitae in the English language with a subject “National Consultant” to the below address by 1 April 2020.

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