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Job Title: Consultant- Wellcome Trust Program Evaluation (part time)

Location: Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI), New Delhi, India

Timeframe:

2010-2014: intensive inputs at start and finish, with interim short term engagements.

Background:

Despite economic progress in recent years, India still faces serious and avoidable public health challenges, mostly due to inadequately trained human resources and fragmented health systems. The Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) was established with the purpose of setting up a world class network of eight schools of public health and strengthening existing schools of public health.

In order to support this capacity building process, the Wellcome Trust, UK, provided the Public Health Foundation of India with a 5-year capacity building award. A consortium of 14 leading UK schools of public health has been established to work with the PHFI. Over the next five years, the program will train Masters Students, PhD students, pre and post doctoral fellows, provide competitive research grants, fund faculty exchange visits and help with the development of a varied portfolio of training course material.

We wish to evaluate the achievements of this program against its objectives and identify areas for improvement. We envisage that the evaluations will be carried out at three time stages of the programme: baseline, midterm and final. This advertisement pertains to the appointment of an evaluation consultant who can successfully deliver on the following objectives.

- *Developing the evaluative framework for the full five year program, in consultation with the various stakeholders*
- *Establishing data collection procedures for ongoing data collection for the full program*
- *Carrying out a baseline evaluation and produce a report*
- *Carrying out subsequent interim and final evaluations and produce reports*

Essential Qualifications:

- *Professional education relevant to program evaluation (e.g. masters degree in public health or related fields)*
- *Previous experience of carrying out an evaluation*

Desirable Qualifications:

- *Experience of working in a public health environment*
- *Experience with qualitative research methods*
- *Previous experience in evaluation of a capacity building /education program.*

Compensation:

Commensurate with qualifications and industry standards

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Required Documentation

1. A brief essay explaining your suitability for this position. (300-400 words)
2. A copy of your Curriculum Vitae
3. Three Letters of recommendation.

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Deadline for receiving applications:

27th March 2010

APPENDIX : PHFI and the Wellcome Trust Grant

The Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) is an autonomous public private partnership launched by the Prime minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh in 2006 with the aim of enhancing the capacity of public health professionals in the country. The PHFI is autonomously governed and is managed by a fully governing Board represented by eminent experts in diverse constituencies. PHFI aims to establish institutes of public health, and facilitate their evolution into major institutes forming a strong national research network of public health and allied institutions.

PHFI has established three such Indian Institutes of Public Health (IIPH) at Delhi, Hyderabad and Gandhinagar. These Institutions currently provide postgraduate diplomas in clinical research, public health management, health economics, data management and epidemiology. The PHFI also has separate research and administrative headquarters, through which it conducts research, short term training programs and public health advocacy.

PHFI, alongwith a consortium of 14 reputed schools of public health in the UK, has received a 5 year capacity building grant from the Wellcome trust, one of the world's leading charities. Through this grant, PHFI shall endeavor to strengthen Indian public health capacity, foster a quality research environment in India and assist in making India a regional public health training resource through a pool of trained faculty at multiple levels, funding seed projects and the development of India relevant learning resources.

The capacity building grant from the Wellcome trust is expected to directly impact the progress of the PHFI towards attaining these goals. This would then enable

1. M.Sc, PhD and Post Doctoral level faculty to be trained at the schools of the UK consortium
2. Seed grants to investigators from the PHFI in order to conduct research, with join supervision to encourage a stronger research culture.
3. Active sharing of resources through faculty visits and short courses, sharing of distance education material and through scientific meetings.