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POST-GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH MANAGEMENT

(AUGUST 2010 – JULY 2011)

Venue: Indian Institute of Public Health (IIPH), Delhi, Gandhinagar (Gujarat),
Bhubaneswar(Orissa) & Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh)

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BACKGROUND

The Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) is proud to announce its 'call for applications', in the third consecutive year, for the Post-Graduate Diploma in Public Health Management being conducted in the academic year August 2010 – July 2011, at the Indian Institutes of Public Health- Gandhinagar (Gujarat), Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh), Bhubaneswar(Orissa) & Delhi.

The public health challenges being faced by the country calls for the development of capacity in the health systems of both the Central and State Governments by way of positioning qualified and skilled professionals who can execute and monitor national health policies and programmes, supervise the public health workforce, fully assess the dimensions of public health issues and devise appropriate strategies to meet emerging challenges. The standard MBBS, MD (PSM) and DPH programmes offered at medical colleges do not significantly impart these managerial skills and competencies. Hence, this programme is designed to impart the knowledge and skills to address and resolve key health management challenges.

OBJECTIVES

To enhance the capacity of the public health managerial workforce through the conduct and delivery of a specially designed post-graduate diploma course in Public Health Management.

COURSE DURATION

The programme would be a residential course lasting for eight months followed by two and a half months of project work. The students would then return to the Institute for the dissertation writing and an evaluation for one and a half months. The total duration of the course is twelve months.

ELIGIBILITY

GOVERNMENT NOMINATED APPLICANTS

Indian Institute of Public Health – Delhi

Government nominated candidates from the states of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Bihar, Jharkhand, Manipur and Delhi can apply through proper channels, (through their respective departments) to the Indian Institute of Public Health – Delhi.

Indian Institute of Public Health – Gandhinagar (Gujarat)

Government nominated candidates from the states of Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh can apply through proper channels, (through their respective departments) to Indian Institute of Public Health – Gandhinagar (Gujarat).

Indian Institute of Public Health – Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh)

Government nominated candidates from the states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Lakshadweep can apply through proper channels, (through their respective departments) to Indian Institute of Public Health – Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh).

Indian Institute of Public Health – Bhubaneswar (Orissa)

Government nominated candidates from the states of Orissa and Chhattisgarh can apply through proper channels, (through their respective departments) to Indian Institute of Public Health – Bhubaneswar (Orissa).

SELF SPONSORED APPLICANTS

The course would be open to in-service candidates working with the central, state or local governments, with at least two to three years of experience in the health sector. Applicants should have MBBS, BDS or B.Sc in nursing/health science/natural sciences or M.A. in social sciences or an equivalent qualification. They need to have been involved either in:

- Public health activities at the community, hospital or district level,
- In Directorates of Health Services, public health or family welfare,
- In other health related organizations.

Self-sponsored candidates from across India and also candidates from other countries can state their preference of the institute (Delhi, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad and Bhubaneswar) in the application form. Preference will be given to medical doctors/in-services candidates nominated by the government for the programme.

All applications will be screened and reviewed on the basis of merit by the PHFI selection committee. Decisions taken by the selection committee will be final.

COURSE FOCUS & TEACHING METHODS

This Diploma programme is an interdisciplinary course both in its content and teaching. It utilizes a variety of teaching/learning techniques, including seminars, journal clubs, collaborative learning, group discussions, case studies, lecture discussions, assignments, hands-on training on computers, visits to organizations of public health interest, field work, practicum and field projects. Faculty with diverse disciplinary backgrounds, national and international experience combined with a breadth and depth of public health experience would be teaching this course.

PROJECT WORK

Each participant, working under closed guidance of a faculty advisor, will develop, write and work on a project. Each student will be evaluated concurrently on the study protocol, while the study is in progress and terminally on his report.

COURSE FEES

GOVERNMENT NOMINATED CANDIDATES

The course fee for the government nominated candidates is Rs. 2.5 lakhs.

SELF SPONSORED CANDIDATES

The course fee for self-sponsored candidates is Rs. 2 lakh per year, per participant. The cost for tuition fee is Rs. 1 lakh and cost for boarding and lodging expenses is Rs. 1 lakh.

The course fee for international candidates is USD 10,000, per year, per participant (includes tuition fee and boarding and lodging expenses).

ABOUT PHFI

The PHFI is a public private partnership which is a large scale, uniquely designed, sustainable response to the severe shortfall of public health professionals (needed in the government, NGO and private sectors) in India. The PHFI was launched on March 28, 2006 at New Delhi, by the Prime Minister of India, Dr. Manmohan Singh. PHFI is autonomously governed and is managed by a fully empowered, independent, Governing Board that is represented by multiple constituencies. These constituencies include representatives from government, contributing philanthropists and leading Indian and international professionals.

The PHFI's charter includes the setting up of new institutes for public health education and training in various States, assisting in the enhancement of capacity of existing public health training institutions, pursuing vigorous research and advocacy efforts on public health and related issues.

A brief description of the other academic programmes is given below.:

Post Graduate Diploma in Health Economics, Health Care Financing and Health Policy

While it is known that enhanced knowledge and a better understanding of health economics is central to more effective policy-making for better health services, strategic capacity and skills to do so, has been one of our key challenges. This 9-month semi-residential diploma course in health economics is designed mainly for mid-career

professionals. It will provide a basic understanding of key issues in health economics and economic evaluation for informed decision and policymaking.

Post Graduate Diploma in Biostatistics and Data Management

This one year course is designed to enable students of statistics, mathematics and econometrics who have a sound background at the bachelor's level in theoretical statistics to develop applied skills for bio-statistical consulting, data management and analysis and applied research in biostatistics and epidemiology.

Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical Research

The Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical Research is a one year program which aims to focus on the scientific, ethical and operational issues related to clinical research. The multi-disciplinary curriculum will enable students to develop skills for research methodology and data management, special types of clinical trials and management and communication skills.

Masters in Public Health

This two year masters program aims to promote health systems and public health research and implementing solutions in institutional and field settings. It will prepare health professionals to work in socially, culturally and economically diverse populations by being attentive to needs of vulnerable and disadvantaged groups. It will work towards imparting qualities of leadership among public health professionals and effectively use communication skills for health advocacy. Through this program we will train personnel in program organization and management, problem solving, and critical thinking in the health systems and the public health domain.

Epidemiology Distance Learning Course

PHFI is offering a distance learning course in epidemiology for those interested in learning basic concepts of epidemiology and developing epidemiology skills. This course will offer modules on six focus areas: Basic epidemiology, Practical epidemiology, Computer based Statistics, Communicable diseases, Non communicable diseases and writing research papers. There will be a strong emphasis on the applied aspect of epidemiology with numerous case studies and hands on exercises. The candidates enrolling in this program will be able to go through the course materials from their remote sites and will need to come for in class interaction with instructors only for a very short period.



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COURSE MODULES

MANAGEMENT

- Introduction to Management: Principles & Techniques
- Organizational Behavior
- Personnel Management
- Financial Management
- Management of District/State Health Systems
- Operations Research
- Resource Management
- Project Management

PUBLIC HEALTH

- Introduction to Public Health
- Management of National Public Health Programs
- The National Rural Health Mission
- Managing Urban Health
- Equity in Health

- Health Promotion
- Health Information Systems
- Communicable Diseases
- Non-communicable Diseases
- Health Policies (including Health Policy Processes)
- Health System Planning and Monitoring
- Occupational and Environmental Health
- Disease Surveillance
- Public Private Partnerships

ANALYTICAL SKILLS

- Epidemiology (including Field Epidemiology)
- Demography
- Biostatistics
- Behavioral and Social Science in Health
- Health Education and Communication
- Quality Assurance and Health Impact Assessment

Program brochures and application forms are available on the PHFI website www.phfi.org

Please submit your filled application form to the Public Health Foundation of India, Delhi, at the address given below.

For other enquiries or nominations, please contact:

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