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Midwife/Nurse-Midwife Education & Training Advisor for Faculty of Nursing, University of Health Sciences

The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) is the world's largest international source of population assistance. UNFPA provides support to improve health through reproductive health and maternal health services, to achieve gender equality and to formulate/implement population policies and strategies in support of sustainable development. UNFPA has two main programme components: 1) Population and Development; and 2) Reproductive Health. Both programme components are designed to promote gender equality.

Post Title: Midwife/Nurse-Midwife Education & Training Advisor for Faculty of Nursing, University of Health Sciences
Place of Assignment: Vientiane Capital, Lao PDR
Duration: Initially 11 months
Project Title: LAO4R21A - Support to Strengthening of the Health System in Lao PDR
Starting date: As soon as possible

UNFPA Laos is seeking a qualified candidate to fill a position of the **Midwife/Nurse-Midwife Education & Training Advisor for Faculty of Nursing, University of Health Sciences**.

Main duties and responsibilities include:

- Assist in teaching of the midwifery curricula to be able to demonstrate good evidence-based practice
- Assist the School in developing and executing clinical rotation plan for midwifery students that will ensure all students are able to gain the requisite clinical hands-on experience to fulfil criteria in midwifery curricula, i.e. to be develop the necessary competencies required in autonomous midwifery practitioners
- Assist the School in developing and implementing a plan for preparing clinical sites to receive students midwives, including preparing clinical preceptors and mentors and ensure midwifery practice is in line with National Clinical Standards
- Assist the School in coordinating all in-service trainings, including supervise and provide ongoing support and mentorship to Provincial Skilled Birth Attendant (SBA) Trainers
- Assist the School in developing and implementing a credible, fair, transparent trustworthy competency-based assessment schemes for assessing competence of midwifery students (both formative and summative assessment) in line with National Midwifery Curricula and national midwifery examination guidelines
- Liaison with relevant stakeholders including the MCHC focal points, head of maternity unit and midwives, Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and specialist in newborn care in the central hospitals to provide technical advice and support for the development of the new Midwifery cadre
- Liaison with relevant stakeholders in MOH and UN Agencies and other Development Partners in collaboration with national and International SBA coordinators for resource mobilization required for strengthening the Faculty of Nursing and the attached clinical sites.

The following qualifications/experience are required:

- Registered Midwife or Advanced Nurse-Midwife with minimum of five years experience in midwifery, plus experience in training midwifery students in classroom and clinical practice areas.
- Minimum level is Diploma with a postgraduate qualification in midwifery or related area.
- Teaching in clinical areas.
- Excellent interpersonal communication and teamwork ability required.
- Ability to operate a computer and demonstrate proficiency in Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel.
- Fluency in English, both spoken and written.
- Knowledge of Laotian or Thai would be an asset.

All interested applicants must submit an application letter with a UN standard personal history form, P11, in English to: UNFPA Office, Phonesavanh Tai, P.O. Box 345, Vientiane (Tel: 315547, 353048-50) or e-mail to: souphanouvong@unfpa.org indicating “**Application for Midwife/Nurse-Midwife Education & Training Advisor for Faculty of Nursing, University of Health Sciences**”. Please contact UNFPA office to obtain P11 form or download from www.unfpa.org. The deadline for application is **13 September 2010**.

We will only be able to respond to those applicants in whom UNFPA has a further interest.

UNFPA reserves the right to appoint prior to the closing date. UNFPA does not solicit or screen for information in respect of HIV or AIDS and does not discriminate on the basis of HIV/AIDS status.

Notice: There is no application, processing or other fee at any stage of the application process.