



## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

### **Clinical Midwifery Advisor**

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.

Post Title: **Clinical Midwifery Advisor** (for Central & Provincial Training Institutions - to strengthen capacity to deliver the new Community Midwifery Programme and for Monitoring MNCH Short Courses)

Place of Assignment: Vientiane Capital, Lao PDR

Starting date: As soon as possible

Duration of Assignment: 239 days by August 2012

UNFPA Laos is seeking a qualified candidate to fill a position of **Clinical Midwifery Advisor** for Central & Provincial Training Institutions - to strengthen capacity to deliver the new Community Midwifery Programme and for Monitoring MNCH Short Courses.

#### Main duties and responsibilities include:

1. Assist Midwifery Faculty UHS and VTE Province, to deliver and monitor the new 1 year post-basic Community Midwifery programme for existing HC and Hospital Type B staff through developing clinical capacities and knowledge of Midwife Teachers.
2. Assist Midwifery FoN UHS and VTE Province with standardisation of clinical areas, including updating of clinical staff (medical, nursing and midwifery) and clinical preceptors in evidence-based midwifery practices, in line with the new National Standards of Midwifery Practice (MoH, 2009)
3. Maintain harmonious working relationship with Faculty and clinical staff in UHS and VTE Province school and with DOP Nursing and Midwifery Unit
4. Attend and support national meetings related to Midwifery that are arranged by MoH as required
5. Meet with Int. SBA Coordinator and DOP at least monthly to review and report on work plan and discuss issues related to needs of two institutions.
6. Assist as required and requested by MoH DoP to monitor midwifery practice in other institutions
7. Maintain regular collaboration and communication with other UN Midwifery Teachers
8. Undertake any other duties as so requested by UNFPA Representative as falls within post-holders area of competence.

#### The following qualifications/experience are required:

- Holds Registration/License or Accreditation as Midwife (in own country)
- Has post-graduate qualification in Midwifery or related subject, or is registered / studying for such
- Has at least five years experience in Midwifery Practice area
- Has experience of teaching /supporting clinical midwifery in low resource settings
- Has previous successful experience of bringing about change in clinical practice
- Competence in using Word Processing (Word, Powerpoint and excel essential)
- Must be fluent verbal and written English, Lao or Thai language would be an advantage)
- Previous work experience supporting Midwifery /MCH Programmes in Lao would be an advantage

The salary for the above position plus other benefits will be in accordance with UN rules and regulations for a special service agreement.

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](mailto:souphanouvong@unfpa.org) indicating "Application for **Clinical Midwifery Advisor**". Please contact UNFPA office to obtain P11 form or download from <http://countryoffice.unfpa.org/lao/>. The deadline for application is **22 June 2011**.

We will only consider applications with complete P11 attached. UNFPA 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.