

Public Health Officer (Disease control)- 458467 - (2401844)

Grade: NO-C

Contractual Arrangement: Fixed-term appointment

Contract Duration (Years, Months, Days): 2 years (Duration is subject to availability of funds, satisfactory performance and continuous need of the position)

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Primary Location Iran, Islamic Republic of-Tehran

Organization EM_IRA WHO Representative's Office, Iran

Schedule Full-time

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Please note that the deadline for receipt of applications indicated above reflects your personal device's system settings.

Job profile summary

The incumbent will manage the communicable and noncommunicable diseases programme in the country, while maintaining a multisectoral overview, and will ensure the availability of technical expertise to advise the government on integrated programmes and initiatives to strengthen their capacity building in investigation, surveillance, and control.

The incumbent will promote and strengthen programme activities within an assigned area of responsibility, consult with national counterparts on programme needs, and perform related managerial tasks as required. The position contributes to the WHO's country cooperation strategy in communicable and noncommunicable diseases.

Key duties and responsibilities

The incumbent will perform all or part of the following, and other related responsibilities as required by the needs of the office.

- Work under the direct supervision of the respective (Sr) Public Health Officer and/or the head of the WHO country office.
- Facilitate the efficient and effective management, as well as coordination of expertise, to provide technical advice on the development of sustainable, multi-sectoral, and integrated national strategies, policies, interventions, and plans for improvements in health systems and capacity building in the area of communicable and noncommunicable (C-NCD) diseases control.
- Recommend action plans for the inclusion of disease prevention and control interventions across the life course and continuum of care.
- Coordinate the adoption of norms, standards, guidelines and tools to support the implementation of disease control projects.
- Manage the operational aspects of related operational research, surveillance, epidemiology, and health surveys.
- Facilitate the implementation of projects for the control of the respective diseases, including the procurement of safe, efficacious and affordable medicines and technologies.
- Guide the documenting and dissemination of best practices and partners' experiences.
- Analyse and evaluate a diverse range of data and information related to communicable and noncommunicable diseases and outbreaks; identify disease sources and provide recommendations and reports on the appropriate response to identified risks, and the implementation of preventative and control measures.
- Monitor the national burden of communicable and noncommunicable diseases or factors, especially through health information systems and health research activities. Coordinate the development or enhancement of existing information systems on communicable and noncommunicable diseases and the monitoring of progress towards Universal Health Coverage (UHC).
- Leverage knowledge of local systems and cultural norms to: serve as technical communication focal point with the public on communicable diseases in the country; and establish new community outreach activities concerning the prevention, control, diagnosis, and treatment of communicable and noncommunicable diseases.
- Advocate, build and strengthen partnerships and networks to enhance multi-sectoral collaboration to address integrated, communicable and noncommunicable disease prevention and control. and contribute to resource mobilization for the work programme.

Recruitment profile

Competencies

Core Competencies

*mandatory

*1) Teamwork

*2) Respecting and promoting individual and cultural differences

*3) Communication

4)Building and promoting partnerships across the organization and beyond

5)Producing results

Managerial Competencies

(if a supervisory position)

*6) Creating an empowering and motivating environment

Functional knowledge and skills

From the Corporate Skills Cloud, select up to five areas of Knowledge and Skills which are required for competent performance in the position.

- Transmissions, specialized methods of diagnosis, development, and treatment of communicable diseases, including HIV infection and other communicable and noncommunicable diseases.
- Technical and programmatic knowledge of the prevention and control of a range of communicable and/or noncommunicable diseases.
- Expertise to strategically plan, coordinate, and support the implementation of health programme interventions.
- Disease prevention and control.
- District hospital care, universal health coverage, in-service and pre-service training, essential noncommunicable disease drugs, primary health care delivery systems.
- Knowledge of country situation in communicable and noncommunicable diseases.
- Best practices of international organizations' in the related disease control areas, primarily WHO's policies, practices, guidelines and procedures, and ability to apply them in the country office setting.
- Health and safety regulations.
- Excellent analytical and organizational skills.
- Skills in developing and promoting collaborative multi-sectoral partnerships and mobilizing resources.
- Ability to provide clear advice and guidance to multiple stakeholders and partners.

Educational qualifications

Essential: A university degree (bachelor's) in a relevant field (such as public health, epidemiology or statistics).

Desirable: Training or specialization in communicable diseases and noncommunicable diseases

Work experience

Minimum number of years' experience required: 5 years

Essential:

A minimum of five years of work experience relevant to the position (in communicable and non-communicable diseases, focusing on disease investigation, surveillance, and control, as well as developing strategies and action plans for implementing capacity building and disease prevention programmes).

Desirable:

- Demonstrated professional experience providing technical services to national counterparts, Ministries of Health, and other partners on communicable disease related issues.
- Relevant work experience, with WHO and/or United Nations agencies, health cluster partners, non-governmental or humanitarian organizations. Some of the above-listed experience to have been obtained in an international context.

Language requirements

English - Expert Overall Essential

Information and technology (IT) and other skills

- Proficiency in computers and office software packages, handling of web-based management systems, Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems and Cloud Management Enterprise System such as Workday.

REMUNERATION

Remuneration comprises an annual base salary starting at USD 48,008 (subject to mandatory deductions for pension contributions and health insurance, as applicable) and 30 days of annual leave.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- This vacancy notice may be used to fill other similar positions at the same grade level
- Only candidates under serious consideration will be contacted.
- A written test and/or an asynchronous video assessment may be used as a form of screening.
- In the event that your candidature is retained for an interview, you will be required to provide, in advance, a scanned copy of the degree(s)/diploma(s)/certificate(s) required for this position. WHO only considers higher educational qualifications obtained from an institution accredited/recognized in the World Higher Education Database (WHED), a list updated by the International Association of Universities (IAU)/United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). The list can be accessed through the link: <http://www.whed.net/>. Some professional certificates may not appear in the WHED and will require individual review.
- According to article 101, paragraph 3, of the Charter of the United Nations, the paramount consideration in the employment of the staff is the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence, and integrity. Due regard will be paid to the importance of recruiting the staff on as wide a geographical basis as possible.
- Any appointment/extension of appointment is subject to WHO Staff Regulations, Staff Rules and Manual.
- Staff members in other duty stations are encouraged to apply.
- The WHO is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment of mutual respect. The WHO recruits and employs staff regardless of disability status, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, language, race, marital status, religious, cultural, ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds, or any other personal characteristics.
- The WHO is committed to achieving gender parity and geographical diversity in its staff. Women, persons with disabilities, and nationals of underrepresented and underrepresented Member States (<https://www.who.int/careers/diversity-equity-and-inclusion>) are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Persons with disabilities can request reasonable accommodations to enable participation in the recruitment process. Requests for reasonable accommodation should be sent through an email to reasonableaccommodation@who.int
- An impeccable record for integrity and professional ethical standards is essential. WHO prides itself on a workforce that adheres to the highest ethical and professional standards and that is committed to put the [WHO Values Charter](#) into practice.

- WHO has zero tolerance towards sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA), sexual harassment and other types of abusive conduct (i.e., discrimination, abuse of authority and harassment). All members of the WHO workforce have a role to play in promoting a safe and respectful workplace and should report to WHO any actual or suspected cases of SEA, sexual harassment and other types of abusive conduct. To ensure that individuals with a substantiated history of SEA, sexual harassment or other types of abusive conduct are not hired by the Organization, WHO will conduct a background verification of final candidates.
- Mobility is a condition of international professional employment with WHO and an underlying premise of the international civil service. Candidates appointed to an international post with WHO are subject to mobility and may be assigned to any activity or duty station of the Organization throughout the world.
- WHO also offers wide range of benefits to staff, including parental leave and attractive flexible work arrangements to help promote a healthy work-life balance and to allow all staff members to express and develop their talents fully.
- The statutory retirement age for staff appointments is 65 years. For external applicants, only those who are expected to complete the term of appointment will normally be considered.
- Please note that WHO's contracts are conditional on members of the workforce confirming that they are vaccinated as required by WHO before undertaking a WHO assignment, except where a medical condition does not allow such vaccination, as certified by the WHO Staff Health and Wellbeing Services (SHW). The successful candidate will be asked to provide relevant evidence related to this condition. A copy of the updated vaccination card must be shared with WHO medical service in the medical clearance process. Please note that certain countries require proof of specific vaccinations for entry or exit. For example, official proof /certification of yellow fever vaccination is required to enter many countries. Country-specific vaccine recommendations can be found on the WHO international travel and Staff Health and Wellbeing website. For vaccination-related queries please directly contact SHW directly at shws@who.int.
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- *For WHO General Service staff who do not meet the minimum educational qualifications, please see e-Manual III.4.1, para 220.
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