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Vacancy Notice No.: VN/CHN/2022/NCD/001

Date: 1 March 2022

Title: National Consultant (part-time)

Deadline for application: 7 March 2022

Contract Type: Consultancy Contract

Duty Station: Beijing, China

Duration: 15 March – 14 October 2022

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES:

In 2020, the national Minor's Protection Law was amended with several significant changes related to NCD prevention, which took effect on 1 June 2021. The Law prohibits the sales of tobacco (including e-cigarettes) or alcohol at points of sales around schools and to minors (article 59). It requires schools, kindergartens or other places where the minors gather for activities to be smoke-free and alcohol-free (article 59). The Law also opens an opportunity for advocating for front of pack labelling as its article 55 highlights that "the production and sale of food...used for minors...shall not endanger the personal safety and health of minors. The producers of the above-mentioned products shall indicate the cautions in a distinct place...".

Minors' protection has been one of the top priorities of the National People's Congress, the State Council and the National Health Commission. To advance the prevention and control tobacco use and unhealthy diet by taking advantage of the implementation of the Minors' Protection Law, the technical units of TFI and Sodium Reduction would like to recruit a senior legal consultant to provide support and recommendations on policy advocacy, including organizing high-level cross-sectoral policy roundtables, develop policy proposals and actively present recommendations to policy makers in different formats to support legislation shaping at national and subnational level.

Specifically, under the supervision of the Technical Officer of Tobacco Free Initiative (TFI) and the Technical Officer of Sodium Reduction, the incumbent will perform the following duties in the areas of tobacco control and nutrition respectively:

On tobacco control

1. Help facilitate or organize a high-level cross-sectoral policy roundtable discussing how to effectively implement the current policies to prevent youth from starting to use tobacco and e-cigarettes and discuss policy options that could further prevent the minors from harm of tobacco use. The consultant will take lead of inviting relevant stakeholders to attend this roundtable and submit a final summary report for the roundtable.
2. Develop a policy proposal about how to effectively implement the law to prevent youth from starting to use tobacco and e-cigarettes and discuss policy options that could further prevent the minors from harm of tobacco use.
3. Work with experts from relevant areas to contribute to the development of policies on minors' protection, tobacco and e-cigarettes.

4. Actively present recommendations (consistent with WHO's position) to relevant stakeholders in different format, including attending meetings, submitting policy proposals and face-to-face communication.
5. Submit a final project report.

On nutrition

1. Conduct a policy study on nutrition issues from child protection perspective and explore potential legislative solutions to address and advance health and nutrition concerns about children. The study shall consider the most recent legislations, regulations, and policy papers, and draw implications from them.
2. Approach to key stakeholders to deepen the discussion on protecting children and youths from unhealthy food choices through effective nutrition policies.
3. Provide policy insights to WHO China that support the overall strategy on protecting children's health through nutrition policies.
4. Submit a final project report.

QUALIFICATION REQUIRED:

Education

- University degree in Public Health, Law, or related fields.

Experience:

- Essential:
 - At least 10 years' experience in policy development, public health, tobacco control, nutrition or any other related field. Practical experience in national and subnational policies or guidelines related to public health, tobacco control, nutrition or any other related fields.
 - A strong network of experts, key opinion leaders in relevant fields.
- Desirable: work experience with WHO on relevant fields.

Other skills

- Experience in public health policy development required.
- Sound interpersonal and communication skills required.
- Legal background in children's rights protection and public health referred.
- Work experience in public health, especially NCD prevention preferred.

Language requirements

- Excellent spoken and written skills of Chinese. English proficiency would be an asset.

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:

Note: This vacancy is open to **Chinese nationals**.

Applications should be transmitted in email message quoting vacancy notice number (VN/CHN/2022/NCD/001).

Applicants should submit a **Curriculum Vitae in English**.

Applicants are advised to send their applications by email to wpchnwr@who.int

This vacancy is open to applicants of EITHER SEX. Applications from WOMEN are encouraged. We regret that due to large volume of applications normally received, applications cannot be acknowledged individually.

WHO has a smoke-free environment and does not recruit smokers or other tobacco users.