



WHO Healthy Islands Recognition 2021

World Health Organization (WHO) recognizes the great work being carried out by health and community leaders to achieve the vision of Healthy Islands, that is to make the Pacific islands¹ places where:

- children are nurtured in body and mind
- environments invite learning and leisure
- people work and age with dignity
- ecological balance is a source of pride, and
- the ocean which sustains us is protected.

WHO has worked with Member States and partner organizations to revitalize the “Healthy Islands” concept and has extended support for project and programme planning, implementation and evaluation for the improvement of health and the quality of life of Pacific islanders. As a result, a diversity of Healthy Island initiatives has been developed to date, and some sterling and pioneering work in Healthy Islands need recognition.

To encourage communities and countries to continue to innovate and demonstrate effective and efficient ways of promoting and protecting the health of their populations, WHO recognizes outstanding work in defined areas. There are many creative developments and good practices for Healthy Islands across the Western Pacific Region. WHO particularly recognizes the community-based actions and efforts, partnership efforts, and governmental support for Healthy Islands initiatives by respective programmes and people from diverse socio-cultural environments and development backgrounds.

Proposals should demonstrate public health impact of practice and how it would be sustained. This will also reflect effective community partnerships and collaboration, adaptability and quality improvement, and remarkable innovation.

Considering the widespread impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Pacific, applications for the Best Practice category which have demonstrated a special focus on the health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic (including those from economic and social impacts) are strongly encouraged. One of the Best Practice awards will be reserved for a project related to COVID-19.

Application for WHO Healthy Islands Recognition 2021 will be accepted and assessed under 2 categories:

- (1) Best Practice
- (2) Best Proposal

See annexes of this document for the application forms.

¹ American Samoa, Cook Islands, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Federated State of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Nauru, New Caledonia, Niue, Republic of Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Wallis and Futuna

Call for Applications 2021

The WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific is now inviting Governments, local authorities (city councils, provinces, districts and villages), communities, organizations (including schools, workplaces, faith-based groups) and civil society groups in the 22 Pacific island countries and areas to submit applications for Healthy Islands Recognition 2021 under the 'best practice' and 'best proposal' categories.

Recognition

- *Best Practice Recognition* will be given to two current or completed projects or programmes that embrace and describe efforts in one, two, or all of the following categories:
 - (1) Health in All policy action
 - (2) Community-based effort
 - (3) Partnerships (civil society, public sector, industry, etc.)
 - (4) Emergency Preparedness Response to COVID 19

Recipients will receive:

- WHO Healthy Islands Recognition plaque and a certificate
- USD10 000 to strengthen/enhance activities, broaden scope or further develop the project or programme according to the proposal

- *Best Proposal Recognition* will be given to two innovative new projects or programmes in the following categories:
 - (1) Community-based effort
 - (2) Partnerships (civil society, public sector, industry, etc.)

Recipients will receive:

- WHO Healthy Islands Recognition Certificate
- Support up to USD10 000 for implementation of the proposed new project or programme.

Eligible applicants

Governments, local authorities (city councils, provinces, districts and villages), communities, organizations (including schools, workplaces, faith-based groups) and civil society groups in the 22 Pacific island countries and areas are eligible to submit reports or proposals for these. Projects or programmes that are already recipients of other forms of WHO recognition are also eligible. However, priorities in selection will be given to those that have not received any WHO recognition in the past two years.

Materials to be submitted

The submission form (Annex I for best practice and Annex II for best proposal) should be used to describe and contextualize the application. A detailed description of the report, programme or policy action (no less than 1000, no more than 3000 words) should be attached; a format for these detailed descriptions is contained in the submission form; applicants should adhere to this format. Full proposals and reports associated with the submission, as well as any other supporting documents, should be attached to the submissions.

Selection process

All proposals will be evaluated using a scoring system and the shortlisted proposals will be reviewed by a committee for final selection. The decision of the WHO Regional Director will be final and not subject to appeal.

Deadline for submission

30th of June 2021. (Late submissions will be not be considered)

Contact information

Applications and queries should be sent to the following address by email (printed copies may be sent, however only those received by the deadline will be considered).

Applications to be sent to the following emails:

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Annex I

Submission form for 'WHO Healthy Islands Recognition 2021' Best Practice

Healthy Islands Recognition is firmly grounded in the Yanuca Declaration and the Ottawa Charter for Health Promotion. Applicants are encouraged to relate their application to the visions and actions presented in these documents.

Item		Office use
Title of the Practice		
Category (tick at least one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Health in All Policy action <input type="checkbox"/> Community-based effort <input type="checkbox"/> Partnerships <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Preparedness Response to COVID 19	
Name of applicant (agency, community, organisation)	Name Address Phone E-mail Fax	
Country or area		
Name of applicant (person or group responsible for submission)	Name Address Phone E-mail Fax	
Date of submission	(day/month/year)	

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Full application attachment	<p>In an attachment (no less than 1000, no more than 3000 words) provide a detailed description of your Proposal. Use a 12 point Times font; use the default margin settings; use Word or another generally accepted word processor; submit both the Word (or other word processor) file and a .pdf document; indicate word count; address the following sections (you may tick off each of these):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Introduction <input type="checkbox"/> Description of your organisation/agency/community <input type="checkbox"/> The problem addressed by your practice (description, preferably both qualitatively and quantitatively) <input type="checkbox"/> The action taken <input type="checkbox"/> The evidence supporting this action <input type="checkbox"/> Innovation (within or outside health field) <input type="checkbox"/> (proposed or existing) involvement of the community <input type="checkbox"/> (proposed or existing) partnership work (civil society, public sector, industry, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> (proposed or existing) government support <input type="checkbox"/> Outcomes, if any <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation or assessment (if any) <p>Where the application is unable to provide information on a particular section please indicate so; this will not necessarily impact on the assessment outcomes of your work (as different projects may have very different dimensions)</p>	
Other attachments	<p>Please attach any further documentation relevant to this application (reports, media, endorsements, etc.)</p>	

Annex II

Submission form for 'WHO Healthy Islands Recognition 2021' Best Proposal

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Item		Office use
Title of the Proposal		
Category (tick at least one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Community-based effort <input type="checkbox"/> Partnerships	
Name of applicant (agency, community, organisation)	Name Address Phone E-mail Fax	
Country or area		
Name of applicant (person or group responsible for submission)	Name Address Phone E-mail Fax	
Date of submission	(day/month/year)	

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Full application attachment	<p>In an attachment (no less than 1000, no more than 3000 words) provide a detailed description of your proposal. Use a 12 point Times font; use the default margin settings; use Word or another generally accepted word processor; submit both the Word (or other word processor) file and a .pdf document; indicate word count; address the following sections (you may tick off each of these):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Introduction <input type="checkbox"/> Description of your organisation/agency/community <input type="checkbox"/> The problem this proposal will address (description, preferably both qualitatively and quantitatively) <input type="checkbox"/> The action proposed <input type="checkbox"/> The evidence supporting this action <input type="checkbox"/> Innovation (within or outside health field) <input type="checkbox"/> (proposed or existing) involvement of the community <input type="checkbox"/> (proposed or existing) partnership work (civil society, public sector, industry, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> (proposed or existing) government support <input type="checkbox"/> Projected outcomes <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation or assessment (if any) <p>Where the application is unable to provide information on a particular section please indicate so; this will not necessarily impact on the assessment outcomes of your work (as different projects may have very different dimensions)</p>	
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