

# LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC Peace Independence Democracy Unity Prosperity

# The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

Country Coordinating Mechanism Lao PDR

# Call for Expression of Interest (EOI)

For Sub-Recipients (SRs) on the Global Fund New Funding Cycle (NFC) 2018-2020

The Global Fund is a funding institution that galvanizes support for the fight against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. The Global Fund has issued a call for grant proposals for its most recent NFC. The Global Fund's NFC enables strategic investment for maximum impact. The Country Coordinating Mechanism in Lao PDR has decided to submit the proposals for funding period between 2018 and 2020 for HIV component by 20 March 2017.

The CCM Lao PDR has the honor to call for a submission of EOI from interested parties from Public sector, Civil Society or Private Sector organizations and Non-Government organizations who have an official operation permit in Lao PDR and have the relevant qualifications and experience to perform the services for the HIV/AIDS and RSSH national programs based on the priority areas describe below.

#### HIV/AIDS

#### 1. Prevention- Sex Workers

- Geographic areas: Vientiane Capital, Vientiane Province, Savannakhet, Champasak, Luang Prabang, Khammouane and Bokeo
- Targets: 7,931 FSW each year (coverage of 80% of FSW).
- Strategy: 1) Drop-in Centers (DICs) with permanent peers. 2) Mobile peers in the community (CSOs and PCCA) full time. Each peer reaching 70 high risk and hidden SWs at minimum.
- Strong emphasis on referral to HIV Counselling and Testing (HCT), Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI), Anti-retroviral Treatment (ART) sites
  as needed and follow up in community.
- Coordination with health system and self help groups.
- Interventions: Behavioral Change Communication (BCC), condom programme, STI, HCT, referral.

#### 2. Prevention- Men who have sex with men (MSM) and/or Transgender (TG)

- Geographic areas: Vientiane Province, Luang Prabang, Khammouane and Xayabouly in collaboration with Vientiane Capital, Savannakhet and Champasak supported by USAID.
- Targets: 2,000 each year (coverage of 80 % of high risk MSM and or TG).
- Strategy: 1) Permanent peers. 2) Mobile peers in the community (CSOs and PCCA) full time. Each peer reaching 70 MSM or TGs minimum.
- Strong emphasis on referral to HCT, STI, ART sites as needed and follow-up in community.
- Coordination with health system and self help groups.
- Intervention: BCC, condom programme, STI, HCT, referral.
- Incentive funding: referral network access

## 3. Prevention mother to child transmission (PMTCT)

- Geographic areas: Vientiane Capital, Luang Prabang, Savannakhet, Champasak, Vientiane and Khammouane.
- Targets: 90 % pregnant women will have PITC.
- Targets: 100% of infants born from mothers living with HIV receive ART
- Intervention: Prevention of HIV vertical transmission, treatment care and support to mothers living with HIV, their children and their families.

# 4. Treatment, care and support

- Geographic areas: Luang Namtha, Bokeo, Luang Prabang, Vientiane Capital, Khammouane, Savannakhet, Champasak and Houaphanh.
- Targets: 5,200 (2018), 5,800 (2019) and 6,400 (2020)
- Interventions: pre-ART care, ART, treatment monitoring, treatment adherence, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of Ols, counseling and psycho-social support, HTC, TB/HIV.

# 5. Prevention Programs for General Population

- Resilient Sustainable System for Health (RSSH) Component (DHIS2 and Logistics/Procurement)
- Focus on health services, ART, key population, migrants, youth, students and ethnic groups.
- Produce Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials Use social media

## 6. Programmatic Management

- Interventions: policy, advocacy, planning, coordination, management and grant management
- Strengthen M&E System: Framework, reporting system, tools, software models
- Building capacity at provincial level
- Link with RSSH component
- Conduct IBBS for MSM, SW
- Survey for qualitative research on PWID, TB-HIV co-infection and on migrant/mobile population
- Work with PR management Unit and implementing partners (to be selected through Express of Interest -EOI)

Interested applicants should submit the EOI in English in paper and electronic form to the CCM Secretariat. The EOI template is available from CCM Website: <a href="mailto:ccmlaopdr.org">ccmlaopdr.org</a>; or contact to <a href="mailto:ccmsec.laos@gmail.com">ccmsec.laos@gmail.com</a> upon request. The Task Force under the CCM authority will review each EOI. The highest quality EOI which meets the criteria and the national priority and strategic areas described above will be selected and be considered for inclusion in a proposal.

Any organization submitting EOI must make available at least one full-time staff to work with the proposal development team throughout the application process.

## Timeline for submission of Expression of interest:

The deadline for submission of the EOI is **Friday**, **17**<sup>th</sup> **February 2017 at 5:00 PM** (Vientiane time). The EOI must be submitted before the submission deadline. Interested organizations may obtain further information from the contact provided below.

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