GENERAL INFORMATION

Functional Title: Health Economist
Duty Station: Ramallah

ORGANIZATIONAL SETTING

The main purpose of the position is to provide technical assistance and support to the Palestinian National Institute, one of the WHO project in Palestine with regards to Health Financing component of the Universal Health coverage project. The position will contribute to the undertaking of economic analyses of health policies and strategies and health care financing submissions to regulatory authorities of the country.

MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

FUNCTION 1 (INCL. EXPECTED RESULTS)

The incumbent will report to the PNIPH Director. The incumbent will undertake different activities, including consultation, investigations, training and counseling concerning Health Financing initiatives as well as will contribute to building capacities in the use of economic analysis or approached tools in health policy, planning and management including cost analysis in health facilities and provider payment mechanisms.

*Summary of Assigned Duties

Participate in the undertaking of economic analysis of health financing policies and strategies including assessing, designing and monitoring of National Health Insurance in the assigned country in line with WHO orientation and framework on Universal Health coverage.

Contribute to strengthening capacity of health economic analysis and provide support for training programs.

Contribute to the review and assessment of national health information systems and recommend methods for improvement of data collection and national health accounts.

Support research in health economics carried out with national teams and/or contracted out to research institutions.

Promote WHO policies, programs and guidelines in health financing through analysis of health care financing strategies aimed at providing recommendations for improving health care financing.

Perform all other related duties as assigned.
FUNCTIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

Good knowledge of country situation with regard to health economics capacities with good understanding of health insurance systems and country’s needs, priorities and policies, along with WHO’s policies, practices, guidelines and procedures.

Ability to identify issues, formulate opinions, make conclusions and recommendations.

Ability to review policies and objectives of assigned program and activities.

Interpersonal skills using tact, patience and courtesy.

Excellent mathematical and analytical skills.

Public speaking techniques.

Excellent drafting and communication skills.

Commitment to implementing the goal of gender equality by ensuring the equal participation and full involvement of women and men in all aspects of work.

Team spirit and time management skills.

QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Essential

University degree in Health Economics or related field.

Desirable

Degree in Public health

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE

*Essential

At least three years of progressively responsible professional experience in the area of economic analysis of health financing.
LANGUAGE SKILLS

Fluency in oral and written English is required. Knowledge of another official United Nations language is an advantage.

COMPETENCIES

Ability to lead and manage a team effectively;

Ability to develop innovative approaches and solutions;

Ability to demonstrate effective interpersonal skills by working harmoniously as a member of a team, adapting to diverse educational, socio-political and cultural backgrounds and maintaining a high standard of personal conduct.

APPLICATION DETAILS

Applications must be submitted by 6th June 2018 to http://jobs.undp.ps/
Type of contract: LICA- UNOPS
Duration: one year with a possibility of extension.
Applications must be in English and include your CV.

Only Palestinians are eligible to apply.

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