CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The African Regional Training Center supported by WHO/TDR is pleased to invite applications from suitably qualified and highly motivated individuals to apply for the Effective Project Planning and Evaluation (EPPE) in Health Research Course, from the 17th to 20th July, 2018 at the University of Ghana School of Public Health.

About EPPE

The Effective Project Planning and Evaluation course was developed by WHO/TDR Research Capacity Strengthening unit and has been pilot tested in Nigeria, Tanzania, etc. Over the years, Centro Internacional de Entrenamiento e Investigaciones Médicas (CIDEIM), Cali, Colombia, which is the Regional Training Center in the Americas, has institutionalized the EPPE methodology and promoted its dissemination to research and academic centers in Colombia, Latin America and the Caribbean. This year, the African Regional Training Centre, in collaboration with CIDEIM will be offering the EPPE course in Ghana to establish local capacity for continuing the dissemination of the EPPE methodology in Africa.

The EPPE course seeks to strengthen the skills of investigators and health professionals in the areas of planning, organizing, managing and evaluating their research projects, thereby ensuring successful implementation, effective collaborations and increased competitiveness for international funding. In order to achieve these expected goals, the EPPE course adopts a practical approach to teaching, where participating groups apply the EPPE methodology to their own projects. Course participants define the purpose and scope of their project, develop a work plan and establish parameters for communication, which facilitate the implementation as well as M&E.

Rationale

The course aims to provide health researchers and project managers with simple tools to help them best organize and manage their projects. Here participants work in groups on their own projects during 80% of the course time. They follow a step-by-step approach and key project planning and evaluation steps to their project.

Course Objectives

After completing the course, participants will be able to:

- 1. Clearly define the project
- 2. Identify specific measurable objectives
- 3. Develop a realistic work plan to reach the objectives (including activities to be completed, timelines and responsible persons, budget etc.)
- 4. Define the project team members, their experience and detailed responsibilities
- 5. Develop a structure for teamwork allowing for effective communication and project implementation,

Course Content

The course is made up of 5 modules

- 1. Good Research Practices
- 2. Value of planning
- 3. Defining purpose and scope
- 4. Planning
- 5. Implementing/Evaluation

Faculty

The course will be taught by seasoned and experienced facilitators from Kenya.

Eligibility

The workshop targets health researchers and project management teams who have project proposals.

Application Procedure and Guidance

Application forms can be obtained from the <u>How to Apply</u> page on the African Regional Training Centre website.

Persons who wish to take part in this course should submit their application forms to artc@ug.edu.gh and the SUBJECT of the email should be EPPE APPLICATION JULY 2018

Applicants must submit the following:

- 1. Completed Application form
- 2. Most recent C.V
- 3. A short write up on their project.

Deadline

- The Deadline for the submission of application forms is 30th April 2018, 5pm (GMT)
- Notification to successful applicants is on the 31st May 2018.
- Acceptance letters by applicants should be received latest by 7th June 2018

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