Workshop on Access to Health Services

Training dates: August 11 - 24, 2021
Application deadline: June 15, 2021
Number of participants: 20

*How to apply: Through the R.O.C (Taiwan) embassies, representative offices or Taiwan technical missions.

Introduction:
To echo United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 3.8 to achieve universal health coverage, access to essential health services is a vital issue. This workshop will share Taiwan’s policies for improving access to health services, such as mobile health care, telemedicine and remote healthcare devices, to enhance accessibility of medical services in remote areas.

Objectives:
- Improve access to health services and integrate resources of local hospitals to enhance efficiency of medical resources.
- Reduce the cost of medical treatment and eliminate obstacles to accessing health services.
- Enhance the immediacy and quality of medical services through smart healthcare.
Contents:

- Access to health services:
  - Introduce community integrated health networks and hierarchical medical policies in Taiwan.
  - Share Taiwan’s social welfare policies and National Health Insurance (NHI).
  - Introduce the establishment of telemedicine outpatient clinics in central hospitals to overcome economic and environmental barriers.

- Access to health service information:
  - Introduce Taiwan’s development of telemedicine basics for the 5G action plan and exceptional ICT advantages.
  - Introduce Internet of Things and telemedicine platforms, including portable smart technology medical equipment, to provide more comprehensive medical care in rural areas.

Issues this workshop will address:

- How to increase universal health coverage and the quality of healthcare services.
- How to integrate resources of local hospitals to reduce the cost of healthcare and inconvenient transportation in order to improve access to health services.
- How to promote the immediacy and quality of health services through smart healthcare

Who may apply:

- Government officials from divisions in charge of health services, officials from the Ministry of Health and Welfare or the Ministry of Science and Technology, or members of the private sector/NGOs/international organizations.
- Preferable background: Healthcare or social welfare, smart medicine or telemedicine/telehealth industry.
- Age and experience: Applicants under 50 years old and minimum of at least two years of progressive experience conducting health service research, implementation of healthcare policies or telemedicine topics, and other related fields are preferred.
- Education: A college degree or above
- Language: A good command of English

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