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We are pleased to announce the following vacancy:

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VACANCY NO:	VA JID 2405
CLOSING DATE:	The closing date is Sunday, 24 March 2024, at 17:00 hours Bangkok time
POST TITLE:	Health Sector Response to GBV Consultant
CATEGORY:	Individual Consultant contract
DUTY STATION:	Homebased. Mission travel is required.
DURATION:	April to December 2024

UNFPA APRO is looking for a qualified consultant to provide consultancy as below detail.

**Purpose of consultancy:**

The purpose of the International Consultant is to support strengthening of country office capacity on health sector response to GBV in line with international standards and guidelines.

**Scope of work:**

Gender-based violence directly affects one in three women globally. Many of them experience grave short and long-term health consequences ranging from sexually transmitted infections, unwanted pregnancies and pregnancy complications to injuries, depression and even death. In addition, the health system is frequently one of the first and sometimes only places where survivors come to seek formal services. The health system therefore plays a crucial role in ensuring the needs of survivors are met, applying a survivor-centred approach and crucially coordinating with other service providers, including CSOs, to ensure survivors receive quality coordinated care. In the last years, a range of strategies were used in the Asia-Pacific region to strengthen the health system response to GBV, and specifically the survivor-centred approach.

Since 2020, UNFPA APRO has mobilised dedicated resources from Zonta International to strengthen GBV multi-sectoral response, with a particular focus on health sector strengthening in Papua New Guinea and Timor Leste. Through this funding, APRO has supported the two Country Offices to adapt global guidelines on health sector response to GBV to the national contexts and to build capacity of frontline health care providers. To make sure trainings were impactful, an implementation research on effective means to strengthen the health sector's capacity to provide survivor-centered care was conducted in 2023.

In 2024, APRO intends to continue this investment in strengthening regional capacity in the health sector response to GBV across humanitarian and development contexts across Asia and the Pacific region. Based on the recommendations of the implementation research, UNFPA APRO will review the training approaches used and focus more on strengthening supervision and mentoring of the health care providers trained, to make sure the knowledge acquired is also applied in practice.

Under the overall supervision of UNFPA APRO GBV Technical Advisor, the consultant will support the following:

**Technical Support to COs:**

- Provide dedicated technical support to Zonta phase II funded Country Offices to ensure high quality implementation of outputs on health sector response to GBV
- Support APRO GBV team to provide timely, quality technical assistance to COs on health sector response to GBV through delivery of virtual training on key resources



- Support review of strategies, guidelines, training manuals, national curriculum etc in targeted countries (Mongolia, Indonesia, Philippines, etc) to ensure alignment with international standards.
- Continue the implementation research in the new provinces/municipalities in PNG and TL, as targeted in the Zonta phase II proposal.

**Knowledge Generation and Management:**

- Support documentation of promising practices from the region on strengthening survivor centred health sector response to GBV.
- Support adaptation of national curriculum for health care workers to align with international standards for GBV response.

**Duration and working schedule:**

The total duration of the consultancy will be 95 working days between April to 20 December 2024. The selected consultant will develop a workplan in consultation with UNFPA APRO GBV Advisor and the GBV team.

**Place where services are to be delivered:** APRO and Country Offices, as needed.

**Delivery dates and how work will be delivered.**

Basis of payment: Daily rate, to be paid in 3 instalments upon accumulation of 35, 40 and 25 working days respectively on the basis of work completed towards deliverables specified below and acceptance by UNFPA APRO. While the type of deliverables is mentioned below, the exact number are not possible to be quantified at this stage given the majority of the work will be demand driven from UNFPA Country Offices.

Expected deliverables include, among others:

1. Technical support in implementation of regional capacity building initiative on health sector response to GBV (with particular focus on Zonta funded countries - Papua New Guinea, Timor Leste)
2. Support for technical review of documents, guidelines, training curricula and other relevant material from targeted countries
3. Documentation of promising practices and innovative approaches on health sector response to GBV in Asia and the Pacific region
4. Development of relevant policy and advocacy briefs and other research papers.

**Monitoring and progress control, including reporting requirements, periodicity format and deadline:**

A work plan/delivery monitoring schedules will be determined by APRO and the Consultant at the outset of the consultancy. A tracking sheet will be used to note progress against the TOR deliverables and deadlines.

**Supervisory arrangements:**

The Health Sector Response to GBV consultant will report to the UNFPA APRO GBV Technical Advisor.

**Expected travel:**

Travels to the Regional Office (APRO) and/or UNFPA Country Offices or other venues are expected, with exact dates and duration to be determined based on the need at the time of deployment. Travel expenses will be covered by UNFPA as per Travel policy.

Expected travel (tentative):

- Papua New Guinea for 10 days to support trainings and implementation research
- Philippines for 5 days to support the review of the comprehensive SRH package
- Mongolia 5 days to support adaptation of national health curriculum for GBV response



## **Required expertise, qualifications and competencies, including language requirements.**

### **Education:**

Master's degree with specialization in areas such as gender, GBV, or public Health.

### **Professional Experience and Required Skills**

- At least seven years of specialized experience in public health and/or GBV programming in an international level
- Demonstrated experience in capacity building on health sector response to GBV
- Proficiency in English required
- Working experience in the Asia Pacific Region and previous experience with UNFPA
- Strong writing and documentation skills
- Ability to work within a team structure or in isolation, flexible, and can cope with stressful workloads and working with limited resources.
- Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work within different cultural environments

### **Remark:**

The consultant will use their personal laptop/computer.

UNFPA APRO will link the consultant to Country Office Gender focal points where necessary.

### **How to apply:**

Candidates should submit the following documents:

- CV (please provide information about education and work experience in details)
- Motivation Letter

All the above documents must be sent by e-mail to [vac-robangkok@unfpa.org](mailto:vac-robangkok@unfpa.org).

Please quote the Vacancy number JID 2405 UNFPA APRO. The deadline for application is 24 March 2024 at 17:00 hours, Bangkok time.

UNFPA will only be able to respond to those applications in whom UNFPA has a further interest.

UNFPA provides a work environment that reflects the values of gender equality, teamwork, respect for diversity, integrity and a healthy balance of work and life. We are committed to maintaining our balances gender distribution and therefore encourage women to apply.

Notice: There is no application, processing or other fee at any stage of the application process. UNFPA does not solicit or screen for information in respect of HIV or AIDS and does not discriminate on the basis of HIV/AIDS status.

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