URBAN PANDEMIC RESPONSE IN CITIES

22 TO 26 AUGUST 2022

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Singapore has provided technical assistance to other developing countries since the 1960s. As a country whose only resource is its people, Singapore believes that human resource development is vital for economic and social progress. Singapore itself has benefited from training provided by other countries and international organisations.

In 1992, the Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP) was established to bring together under one framework the various technical assistance programmes offered by Singapore. Through the SCP, the range and number of training programmes were increased to share Singapore's development experience with other developing countries.

To date, over 137,000 officials from more than 180 countries and territories have participated in our courses and study visits. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

Course Objectives

The COVID-19 pandemic has shown that cities and other urban areas are especially vulnerable to infectious disease outbreaks due to their high population density and connectivity. This course will present an overview of capacity building in urban health preparedness and share Singapore's experience in preparing and responding to outbreaks as a highly urbanised city-state.

Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Singapore's experience in building national capacities and capabilities to respond to outbreaks at the global, national and local levels;
- Use of technology in urban health preparedness;
- Risk communication, community engagement and protection of vulnerable groups;
- Policy implementation at hospitals and primary care institutions; and
- Build community resilience and participatory governance for future outbreaks.

Methodology

This course will be delivered for up to **30 participants** through a mix of synchronous 'live' e-learning sessions and asynchronous learning components. Synchronous components will include lectures, case studies, group discussions and presentations. Asynchronous components will include e-learning materials to complement the various Synchronous sessions.

Duration

The course will be held from **22 to 26 August 2022, from 1300 to 1700 hours (Singapore time; UTC +08:00 hours) each day**. The actual timings of the synchronous e-learning sessions will be confirmed closer to the start of the course.

Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid- to Senior-level government officials from health ministries, health systems and other healthcare agencies;
- Able to attend **all** the synchronous e-learning sessions. They will require an internet-enabled device with webcam, microphone and audio features;
- Nominated by their respective Governments; and
- Proficient in written and spoken English.

Terms of Award

The course is sponsored by the Government of Singapore under the Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award.

Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- Strictly observe course schedules and not miss training sessions, and;
- Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating Authority or Government and the Government of Singapore and its appointed trainer, with respect to the course.

Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **29 July 2022**)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance (NFP) to nominate **one (1)** suitable applicant. Selection of candidates will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Government of Singapore seeks the understanding of the respective NFP in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominees are to submit their applications online at **https://go.gov.sg/urban-pandemic-response2022** by **Friday, 29 July 2022**. NFPs are also required to endorse nominees via email links. Instructions and FAQs for Applicants and NFPs can be found at the links below:

- Applicants: https://go.gov.sg/start-guide
- NFPs: https://go.gov.sg/start-nfp

Note:

- Participants will receive a certificate of completion from the SCP upon completion of the course;
- Applicants should refrain from making telephone and email inquiries on the status of their applications; and
- The **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. The NFP will also be informed directly.

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