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## Community Health Volunteer as Agent of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

2 – 20 July 2018

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### **TICA : Thailand International Cooperation Agency**

is a national focal point for Thailand's international development cooperation. TICA was established in 2004 to realize Thailand's aspiration to be a contributor of development cooperation. Believing that global challenges are best addressed by international cooperation and global partnership, today we continue to strengthen our contribution to achieve global development agenda through various capacity-building and human resources development programmes. In response to the recent changes in the global landscape of development cooperation, especially through the concept of South-South and Triangular Cooperation, TICA continues to realign our focuses in order to deliver Thailand's commitment to be a relevant partner in global agendas including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

### **AITC : Annual International Training Course**

was initiated in 1991 as a framework in providing short-term training for developing partners. Today, the AITC remains one of TICA's flagship programmes. It offers not only a training experience, but also a platform in exchanging ideas and establishing professional network among participants from across the developing world. Aiming at sharing Thailand's best practices and experience to the world, the AITC training courses focus on development topics of our expertise currently categorized under five themes namely; "**Sufficiency Economy Philosophy**" or **SEP**, **Food Security**, **Public Health**, **Climate Change**, and **Other topics related to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**.

### **Faculty of Nursing, Chiang Mai University**

Established in 1972, the Faculty of Nursing at Chiang Mai University is one of the oldest and most reputable nursing schools in Thailand. The Faculty currently offers Bachelor, Master, Post-Master, PhD. and Postdoctoral programmes. It also hosts the Nursing Research Center and Center for Excellence in Nursing Research. The Faculty's main facilities are located at Chiang Mai University Health Sciences Campus with a training facility on health-spa and Thai traditional therapy located in Mae Rim.

### **AITC Theme : Public Health**

This training course falls under the AITC theme – "Public Health". We believe that health is a very important component for economic and social development, national security, regional and global stability. In the post 2015 context, health has been increasingly recognized as a key contributor in development as good health is one of the fundamental building blocks of society and sustainable development. From improved quality to inclusive healthcare system, Thailand has been sharing our experience and lesson-learned with developing partners on the road to achieve health-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

## Course Objectives

This training course aims at sharing Thailand's experiences in using community health volunteer in community health promotion. At the end of this course, participants are expected to;

- Understand the principles and strategies of community health development;
- Understand role and functions of community health volunteer in community health promotion and disease prevention;
- Gain knowledge on how to empower community health volunteer.

## Course Methodology

Training methodologies to be used during this training course include;

- Lecture;
- Group Discussion;
- Field Studies.

## Assignment and Evaluation

- In-class participation and discussion.
- Advance assignment – Submission and 10-minutes presentation of “Country Report” which contains information on current situation of health care system, health policy and strategies in their own country and setting
- Course assignment
- Attendance - Participants are required to attend all activities organized during the course. TICA reserves the rights to revoke its fellowship offered or take appropriate action in case a participant is in attendance of less than 90 percent of the training hours.

## Course Outline

This training course focuses on role and functions of community health volunteer in community health promotion. Topics of training are such as;

- Introduction to Health care system;
- Characteristics of an effective health care delivery system: availability, acceptability, affordability, and appropriateness;
- Community health development: concepts, principles, and strategies;
- Community health volunteers: how to strengthen their abilities - principles and strategies;
- Roles and functions of community health volunteers to promote a healthy community;
- Strengthening the abilities of community health volunteers: essential knowledge and skills of public health personnel related to course design and content delivery methods.

## Participant Criteria

Candidates must possess qualifications as specified in “Guideline for Thailand’s Annual International Training Course Programme” No. 2 “Qualifications” as well as following qualifications;

- Currently working with at least two-year professional experience in public health or relevant areas.
- Computer literate.
- Under 45 years of age.

## Application

- Candidates must be nominated/ endorsed by their respective governments of the eligible countries/territories by the closing date for application.
- Complete nomination documents must be submitted to TICA through the Royal Thai Embassy/ Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations/Royal Thai Consulate-General accredited to eligible countries/ territories.

(See “List of Eligible Countries” for more information)

## Number of Participants

20 persons

## Training Institution and Venue

Faculty of Nursing,  
Chiang Mai University,  
Chiang Mai.

## Selection and Confirmation

- Particular attention shall be paid to the candidates’ background, their current position, and practical use they expect to make of the knowledge and experience gained from training on the return to their positions.
- Selection of participants is also based on geographical distribution and gender balance.
- Successful applicants will be informed approximately 4 weeks before the beginning of training course.
- Successful applicants must return duly completed and signed acceptance form by the deadline to confirm their participation in the programme.

## Terms of Awards

AITC Training Fellowship\* includes training fee, return economy-class, airfare, accommodation, allowance, insurance, airport transfer and social programme.

\* Subject to rates and conditions established by TICA

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