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PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION & RESEARCH CONSORTIUM
NETWORKING & PARTNERSHIP

To

The Director/Principal
All Medical Colleges,
Nursing Schools/Colleges
CTI/SIHF/ HFWTC/ANMTC/Other Training Institutions,
NGOs and Other Public Health Institutions

Subject: Network and Partnership with Medical College, Nursing College, CTI/SIHF/ HFWTC/ANMTC/Other Training Institutions, NGO and Other Public Health Institutions to develop Public Health Education & Research Consortium.

Dear Madam/Sir,

GREETINGS FROM NIHF

NIHF is an apex technical institute of the country and serves as a 'think tank' for the promotion of various public health programmes in the country. In this context the institute is building a networking and partnership process and looks forward to individuals and organizations like Medical Colleges, SIHFs/HFWTCs/CTIs and Nursing Schools/Colleges to participate.

The concern shown by the various organizations at the global level indicate that, in view of the resurgence of various epidemics, both infectious and non infectious, the situation can be handled only through the Public Health Management approach. This urgency was realized and expressed in the Public Health Conference in India expressed as the Calcutta Declaration which calls for the creation of appropriate career structures for Public Health professionals and promoting the reforms for public health education and training. With the above concern as top priority, Agra Resolution was passed in the joint meeting of Indian Public Health Association (IPHA), Indian Society for Malaria and other Communicable diseases (ISMOC) and Indian Association of Epidemiologists in 2000. Besides recommending, initiation and carrying out of the structural changes and making Public Health qualification and experience mandatory for all Public Health positions, the Agra Resolution emphasized on developing and promoting a network of Training and Research Institutions in public, private and voluntary sector for promoting quality Public health practice, education and research. To further

emphasize the need for the same, it was again strongly recommended in the joint meeting of IPHA and IAPSM 2006.

With a wide goal as above, we feel the Department of Community Medicines of various Medical Colleges, State Institutes of Health & Family Welfare, HFWTCs/CTIs and nursing schools/colleges etc. should be actively involved in the development of Public Health and its Cadre for this country. At present the involvement is not total or partial only, in the implementation of the various National Health Programmes. Most of the organizations have been functioning either in small groups or totally in isolation. This may be one of the reasons for not achieving the desired objectives for the various Health Programme(s).

As already stated, NIHFW through Networking and partnership proposes to develop a "Public Health Education & Research Consortium" for all the above-mentioned departments/institutions of this country. It will be a joint collaborative effort, with a two-way process, and it is proposed to pool all the available human resources from all the interested Institutions. To start with, the following activities may be initiated:

1. Sharing of information on programmes/guidelines and recent updates through print and electronic media
2. Research Methodology Workshops
3. Rapid Appraisal Methods for Partnership Research
4. GIS Mapping of Health Manpower
5. Capacity building for improving District Health System through Workshops/Joint Meetings etc.
6. To initiate discussion on priority issues on Public Health

Later on the Consortium may undertake Capacity Building of Post-graduates students in Public Health through various means including e-learning mode.

There may be many other important areas which can be identified and prioritized once we start this consortium. Hence, keeping in view the valuable and important contributions from your Department/Organization in the field of Public Health and Community Medicine, we invite you to be a partner for this Consortium. If interested, you may kindly fill up the enclosed proforma and send it to us at director@nihfw.org dnandan51@yahoo.com or pherc.nihfw@gmail.com so that work may be started in this direction.

With best wishes and kind regards,

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Director, NIHFW



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PROFORMA FOR INFORMATION SHARING

1. **Contact Details**

<u>NAME (Full Name) AND ADDRESS OF THE INSTITUTION</u>	

City _____	District _____
State _____	Pin Code _____
Phone: (_____) _____	Fax: (_____) _____
E-Mail: _____	

Web Site: _____	
Type of Organisation _____	
(Medical College, Nursing College, CTI/SIHF/ HFWTC/ANMTC/Other Training Institutions, NGO and Others)	
Type of Management _____	
(Govt., Private, Trust, Society and Others)	
<u>NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTACT PERSON</u>	
Contact Person _____	
Designation _____	
Phone: (_____) _____	Fax: (_____) _____
E-Mail: _____	

2. Total strength in department including residents

3. Facilities in department in terms of computer etc.

4. Area of interest (Work/Research/Training/Speciality)

5. Current activities going on

6. Expectation from NIHFV

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7. Proposed collaborative activity
(Joint workshop/Seminar/Training Programme/Research)

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8. Venue for above activity

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9. Any suggestion

***NOTE:** There won't be any financial liability on partner institution*

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