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Subject: Invitation to participant in the 16th Health Sector Working Group Policy Level Meeting

On behalf of the Permanent Secretary's Office at the Ministry of Health, Lao PDR, it is with great honor that we extend an invitation to the development partners, counterparts, departments, and centers to **the 16th Health Sector Working Group Policy Level Meeting**. This meeting is scheduled to take place on **November 7, 2024 from 8:30 AM to 12:00 AM** at the Grand Ballroom, ground floor, Lao Plaza Hotel, Vientiane Capital.

The objectives of this meeting are as follows:

1. To share the progress of the implementation of the 9th Health Sector Development Plan in the year 2024 and the development of the draft 10th Health Sector Development Plan; and
2. To agree on a set of key priorities for the health sector in the year 2025 and key areas to be supported by development partners

The meeting will be co-chaired by:

- H.E. Prof. Dr. Bounfeng PHOUMMALAYSITH, Minister of Health, Lao PDR
- H.E. Mr. KOIZUMI Tsutomu, Ambassador of Japan, Lao PDR Co-chairperson
- Dr. Timmothy Peter Armstrong, WHO Representative, Lao PDR

Please find enclosed the Zoom link <https://who.zoom.us/j/99694954629> **Meeting ID: 996 9495 4629, Passcode: SWG@2024**) for the 16th SWG-Policy Level Meeting scheduled for November 7, 2024, from 8:30 AM to 12:00 AM.

We eagerly anticipate your valued presence and contributions at this important meeting.

Best regards,



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Agenda of the 16th Health Sector Working Group Policy Level Meeting

Time & Date: 8:30-12:00, Thursday, 07 November 2024

Venue: Lao Plaza Hotel

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Agenda

Time	Subject	Responsible persons
8:00- 8:30	Registration	
8:30- 8:35	Welcoming guest and introducing the meeting objectives	MOH
8:35- 8:50	Opening remarks	- Dr. Timothy ARMSTRONG, WHO Representative to LAO PDR, Co-chairperson - H.E. Mr. Tsutomu KOIZUMI, Ambassador of Japan to LAO PDR, Co-chairperson - H.E. Dr. Bounfeng PHOUMMALYSITH, Minister of Health, LAO PDR, Chairperson
8:50- 9:20	Presentation on the progress of the implementation of the priorities of the 9th Health Sector Development Plan (2021-2025) in the year 2024 and key priorities in the year 2025	MOH
9:20- 9:40	Presentation on the progress of the development of the draft 10th Health Sector Development Plan (2026-2030)	MOH
9:40- 10:00	Questions and answers	All participants
10:00 - 10:30	Group photo & Coffee/Tea Break	
10:30- 11:40	Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feedback on the key priorities of the health sector in the year 2025	All participants

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority action areas to be supported by development partners • Key actions to enhance the effectiveness of donors' support and improve coordinated support in alignment with the MOH's priorities 	
11:40- 12:00	Closing remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Timothy ARMSTRONG, WHO Representative to LAO PDR, Co-chairperson - H.E. Mr. Tsutomu KOIZUMI, Ambassador of Japan to LAO PDR, Co-chairperson - H.E. Dr. Bounfeng PHOUMMALYSITH, Minister of Health, LAO PDR, Chairperson