

Call for Applications

Implementation Research for Health Systems Strengthening (IR-HSS) for National Health Mission (NHM)

Inviting Expressions of Interest (EoI) for empanelling Organizations (public, private and not-for-profit) for conducting implementation research studies including reviews, rapid assessments, evaluations and operational research. It is expected that the outcome of such research will generate knowledge for policy recommendations for strengthening health systems.

Under the Implementation Research for Health Systems Strengthening (IR-HSS) platform of the National Health Mission, a series of implementation research questions were identified in consultation with States based on specific health system challenges. NHSRC is seeking expressions of interest from Public, Private and Not-for-Profit institutions (including academic institutions and reputed NGOs) for empanelment to conduct implementation research based on these questions. A consortium of institutions with varying skill mix could also apply, provided they meet all the requirements.

Competencies required:

The Institution should have at least 10 years of experience in undertaking health systems implementation research. The Institution must have experience and expertise in at least one or more of the broad areas of implementation research:

- a) Community Processes
- b) Public Health Planning
- c) Health Informatics
- d) Quality in health systems
- e) Human Resources for Health
- f) Healthcare Financing (including Health Accounts, Insurance & Expenditure Analysis)
- g) Public Private Partnerships (PPP)
- h) Procurement and contracting
- i) Public Health Administration (including regulatory/legal issues)
- j) Health Technology Assessments
- k) Organization of primary and secondary health care services
- l) Urban Health
- m) Health Governance and Management
- n) Health Communication and Behaviour Change

Documents required:

Institutions should submit the following documents to meet the eligibility criteria:

- a) Relevant reports and documents to demonstrate organizational capacity to conduct public health research in the last 5 years
- b) Experience in conducting public health activities substantiated by relevant reports

- c) A list of relevant faculty with CVs (3-5 members with the relevant qualifications and public health experience)
- d) List of broad implementation research areas mentioned above in which they have subject matter and/or research expertise, backed by reports
- e) Institutions should have a turnover of Rs. 75,00,000 per year.
- f) Institutions will also be required to provide details of their Registration along with a copy of their service tax registration, latest return of service tax, PAN card and the last three years IT return.

Modalities:

1. Selected institutions will be empanelled for **two years** in the first instance. Further extensions will be considered based on fulfilling the eligibility criteria and satisfactory completion of assignments.
2. Detailed Terms of Reference will be provided for individual assignments on a case by case basis.
3. Grant for conducting research will be provided by NHSRC to the individual institutions once their proposal has been selected for a specific research question.
4. Collaborations with institutions will be based on an MOU which will be signed between the institutions and NHSRC.

How to apply:

- Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.
- Interested institutions should fill the **Form attached below** and e-mail their application to NHSRC at nhsr.india@gmail.com with the following subject header “EoI for empanelment in IR-HSS”.