

Expression of Interest for participating in public health research

Background: Over the next few months NHSRC proposes to conduct several studies in the areas of RCH, nutrition and gender, human resources for health, evaluation of community processes in NRHM, information systems, health financing, and quality of care. The studies span formative, implementation and evaluation research. The objectives of these studies are to support evidence based decision making for policies and programmes, identify the mechanisms and contextual factors that affect outcomes of large scale programmes and serve as the basis for knowledge exchange between researchers and practitioners, and enable advocacy for changes in policy and practice.

Organizations interested in partnering with NHSRC are encouraged to apply. Partnerships and consortia will also be considered provided they meet the following criteria. Research organizations, academic institutions (preference to medical colleges and schools of public health) NGOs in partnerships with academic institutions, Coalitions, Advocacy groups, community based organizations can apply. Organizations that demonstrate a combination of practice with research will be given preference.

There is no template or application form. The application should include

1. Background of organization, nature of organization, list of board members, demonstration of the necessary skill mix, experience, project management budgets handled, and infrastructure (for data management- data entry and analysis);
2. Details of past experience in conducting research, brief description of nature of research (topic and methodology) and outcomes (publications, dissemination) undertaken in last five years, details of research staff- (in house or demonstrate access to experts on a reliable basis), demonstrate track record of the research team, in data analysis and advanced writing skills.
3. Copies of what you consider your best and most relevant work in recent years, preferably conducted by the researcher teams who are currently in place.

There is no dead line. Applications can be submitted on a rolling basis but for consideration in the first batch of studies applications should reach NHSRC by 26th August, 2011.

Applications may kindly be sent to The PAO, National Health Systems Resource Centre, NIHFW, Baba Gangnath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi -110067.