



Memorandum of Understanding

Between

APPNA Institute of Public Health
Jinnah Sindh Medical University
Karachi, Sindh

And



May 10, 2014

1. INTRODUCTIONS

APPNA Institute of Public Health (AIPH) was inaugurated on December 25th 2013 with the vision to be the center of excellence for research, training and service provisions aiming to have healthy people living in healthy communities of Pakistan. The mission of the institute is to be the center of achieved excellence in health promotion, disease prevention and health research; promoting a sustainable and positive change in public health through learning, discovery and communication; educating the next generation of public health leaders who endeavour to be change agents for health promotion, research and training; supporting policy makers, practitioners and the government in making evidence based decisions through knowledge management; facilitating government for the formulation of public health policy; adherence to the social accountability of JSMU through partnerships with the NGOs and the Government.

The salient objectives of AIPH are to promote research, public health education and training; post graduate and continuous medical education for all cadres of health professionals. It aims to promote evidence based decision making by the policy makers, health practitioners and the government to promote the health of population. AIPH will develop training and service provision programs and strive to acquire and disseminate knowledge regarding health system management, promotion of health, and control of communicable diseases and to become an eminent institution center of excellence for the development of public health at national and international level. A prime intent of the institute is to develop public private partnership models of Primary Health Care, developing and building partnership with community based programs and this MoU is the first step in right direction.

The Health Foundation (THF) is a non-profit public service organization of likeminded individuals who joined hands to bring about change in the lives of the poor and marginalized. The initial focus of THF is on Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C prevention and control with the goals to educate the general public regarding the manifestations of Hepatitis B & C and their mode of acquisition, transmission and prevention. THF also provides free treatment to those suffering from Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C, but cannot afford the cost of its treatment. A set protocol is in place to filter out those patients who are deserving of this support. Since there is a vaccine available for protection against Hepatitis B, THF is pursuing a catch-up immunization program in this regard.

THF current intervention areas are high risk pockets of Karachi and interior Sindh. We work in close coordination with the Health Department, GoS. There are MoUs signed with the Secretary Health, CM Hepatitis program Sindh, Lady Health Workers program Sindh and Town Health Officers of our geographical intervention areas. THF is also part of the GAVI alliance for Immunization in Pakistan. We have an ongoing Safe Sharp Waste Management project in partnership with WHO and PMRC. Through our programs such as vaccination and free Hepatitis treatment, for the poor and non affording people, we have seen many lives changed for the better. Till date THF has vaccinated over 300,000 children/ adults in our target areas of Karachi. At present free treatment is being provided to more than 2100 patients suffering from Hepatitis B and C. On the strengths THF brings to the table is its strong Advocacy Network ranging from international to national to provincial partners.



2. PURPOSE

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter called "MOU") is made between THF and the APPNA Institute of Public Health, Jinnah Sindh Medical University, Karachi, whereas both institutions wish to collaborate for AIPH Hepatitis Awareness Initiative for undergraduate medical students including: faculty orientation of the initiative; long term students' awareness; vaccination against Hepatitis B as well as AIPH partnership and participation to conduct a baseline survey regarding Hepatitis B, C prevalence in District Sanghar, which is a project of THF. Therefore, THF and JSMU-APPNA Institute of Public Health, Jinnah Sindh Medical University have agreed on number of points with responsibilities assigned.

3. POINTS OF AGREEMENT AND RESPONSIBILITIES

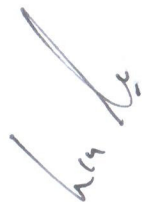
APPNA Institute of Public Health –JSMU:

1. Orientation and Awareness Sessions:

- AIPH-JSMU agrees to invite THF to conduct faculty orientation and students awareness on Hepatitis.
- The strength of faculty members will be 50 and may be covered in one or two sessions. The day for the Faculty session will always be Saturday.
- Organising of Students' awareness session will be an ongoing process, It will start from 4th year medical students, and this year end with 3rd year By th time both the classes are covered, the 1st and 2nd year students will be in 3rd and 4th year respectively .
- The AIPH-JSMU will provide venue for all sessions and ensure Faculty and students participation.
- AIPH-JSMU will mainly provide venue and IT support for the sessions.
- AIPH will announce for a poster competition for each class as part of its World Hepatitis Day celebration activity.
- AIPH agrees THF to make a presentation about THF in each session.
- AIPH will notify one focal person and a substitute to collaborate with THF and be trained as master trainers and cascade training sessions.
- After a mutually agreed time, AIPH trainers will start taking sessions independently, Sessions may be monitored by THF project staff.

2. Vaccination:

- AIPH will provide details of the faculty, staff and students of JSMU to THF for vaccination.
- The arrangements for the administration of the vaccine will be AIPH responsibility.



3. Communication Material:

- AIPH-JSMU logo and name will be equally highlighted in communication material being used in the AIPH student sessions
- AIPH agrees THF to print and distribute participation and honorary certificate for faculty, students and presenter/facilitators with the name, logo, and signature of the JSMU and THF.

4. Research and Publication

- AIPH will have authority to conduct KAP Surveys, Pre and Post-test and session evaluation.
- AIPH-JSMU will be looked upon as a primary partner in all researches carried out in Sindh by THF and provide faculty for design, analyses and report writing. In case of paper publication intellectual property rights will be shared. The order of authorship and responsibilities of writing the paper will be discussed before the beginning of research.(to start with AIPH would like to be a partner in baseline survey of prevalence of Hepatitis B, C in Sanghar District).

The Health Foundation:

1. Orientation and Awareness Sessions:

- THF will send presenter and facilitators for the sessions.
- Key THF representatives will make presentations in faculty session.
- THF will formulate Peer group of students from student session who will develop awareness in the respective communities regarding hepatitis. THF will explore and manage incentives for these peer groups and facilitate in arranging community sessions.
- THF will award cash prizes to first three best posters on World Hepatitis Day.

2. Vaccination:

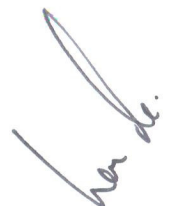
- THF will arrange free of cost vaccines against Hepatitis B.
- THF will provide and administer vaccination to JSMU staff, faculty and students on pre-decided dates and time.

3. Communication Material

- THF will Distribute communication material with AIPH-JSMU name and logo initially (till June sticker and stamp will be used, and in the next budget year after July



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2014 both will publish joint communication material) for AIPH lead communication events and seminars, etc


- Following AIPH agreement THF will print and distribute participation and honorary certificate for faculty, students and presenter/facilitators with the name, logo, and signature of the JSMU and THF.

4. Duration

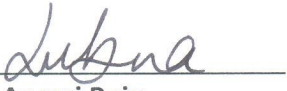
- Initial period of this MOU shall be five years.
- Any party may terminate this contract by giving a prior notice of 120 days, to the other party.

4. TERMS OF COOPERATION AND COORDINATION

- Specific terms of cooperation for each of the programmatic components initiated under this Memorandum of Understanding shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to implementation.
- Each institution shall designate a Focal Person (FP), who shall develop and coordinate the various activities agreed upon. Through this FPs, either party may initiate proposals for additional cooperative activities.
- The parties shall work to identify the resources needed to carry out the activities described in this Memorandum of Understanding.

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