



**National Centre for HIV/AIDS, Dermatology and STD (NCHADS), Cambodia
Kirby Institute, University of New South Wales, Australia**

SCHOLARSHIP

Support for Clinical and Epidemiological HIV Research Capacity: Field Research Training Program (F RTP) 2012-2014

National Centre for HIV/AIDS, Dermatology and STD (NCHADS), Cambodia and Kirby Institute for infection and immunity in society (KI), University of New South Wales (UNSW), Australia collaborate to offer an 18-month mentored, HIV clinical and epidemiological research training experience for 4 Health (or related discipline) professionals in Cambodia: *Support for Clinical and Epidemiological HIV Research Capacity: Field Research Training Program (F RTP), 2012-2014*. The F RTP scholarship aims to build and strengthen clinical and epidemiological HIV research capacity in Cambodia through the development of researchers' competence in longitudinal research design, conduct and analysis, and in strategies to engage with government and involve affected communities, to successfully apply for research funding and to disseminate research findings to inform policy.

The F RTP is tailored to suit the needs of trainees, their institution and the local context in which they work. Trainees receive scholarship support and are able to maintain their current employment roles. The F RTP follows a structured syllabus and utilizes a "learning through doing" model of training under the guidance of "mentors", who are experienced senior researchers from NCHADS, University of Health Science, Cambodia (UHS), School of Public Health at National Institute of Public Health, Cambodia (SPH-NIPH) and the KI.

At the completion of the program, trainees will have achieved a series of competencies important for successful research, these include: developing a research proposal; submission of the proposal for ethics review; collecting and conducting analysis of their data; documentation and dissemination of research findings for a variety of audiences and developing manuscripts for peer review publication; preparing abstracts and presenting at international conferences.

Successful applicants will receive full tuition and a stipend for the 18-month duration of the programme (2013 – mid-2014).

There may be opportunities for those trainees who complete the course and who demonstrate high levels of competence and an aptitude for teaching to go on to become mentors in the ongoing F RTP.

1. Scholarship Selection Criteria:

- Less than 50 years of age
- Have a minimum bachelor degree in health sciences or related discipline
- Have good command of both written and spoken English language
- Demonstrate effective communication skills both written and verbal
- Demonstrate excellent organizational skills
- Have demonstrated ability in teaching at undergraduate or comparable level
- Be able to commit to the 18 month training course and the tasks demanded of this program of study

2. Closing date: 25th January, 2013

3. Application form can be collected from F RTP Coordinator

The selection panel will **shortlist and notify candidates by 30th January, 2013** for an interview. **Admission to the program will be in mid-February 2013.**

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