
Kyrgyzstan, The Republic of Moldova, and Tajikistan³, will be offered similar support through the WHO EURO emergency response.

Therefore, I have the pleasure of sharing with you the draft concept note for strengthening national medical PSM systems in the WHO European Region. For each country, the project will be co-ordinated locally by the WHO Country Office, working in collaboration with UNICEF and other agencies where appropriate including the Global Fund. This process will be supported by the WHO Regional Office and Headquarters. For the five transitioning countries funded by the Global Fund, the terms of the award will require the assessments to be completed by December 2020.

Further details of the project activities and roles and responsibilities are included in the concept note. The project will involve assessments and planning activities that engage national stakeholders. A four-day in-country workshop will be hosted to review the findings and undertake an analysis of the PSM using the UNICEF Supply Chain Maturity Assessment tool. The assessments and strategies will also contribute to the eventual development of national plans with recommendations, timelines and proposed targets for each country to facilitate future funding for related capacity development.

If you would like to participate in this project, please provide us with confirmation and the name of a nominated focal point (s), their functional title and contact details (including e-mail address) by **18 September 2020**. The focal point(s) should have expertise/ or are involved in PSM at national level.

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Should you have questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Encl.: Concept note

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