

# **PCHRD RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

## ***GUIDELINES***

### **Objective**

The objective of the PCHRD Research Fellowship Program is to further develop the research capability of beginning researchers in order to encourage them to embark on careers in research.

### **Eligibility**

To be eligible for the PCHRD Research Fellowship Program an applicant must:

1. be an MD, DMD, DVM or a holder of an MS degree in a health science field
2. have demonstrated the ability to engage in research
3. hold a regular position in the institution in which he/she is affiliated
4. be a Filipino citizen

### **Application Procedures**

1. The applicant must prepare a research proposal in consultation with a recognized scientist in the training institution(s).

The research proposal must contribute to the objectives of the research program of the institution with which the scientist is affiliated and must be in accordance with the priorities set in the National Health Research and Development Plan.

2. The applicant must submit his research proposal together with an application form to the Human Resources and Institution Development Program (HRIDP), PCHRD.

### **Review Criteria**

The PCHRD Research Fellowship Committee will screen applications. The Committee may invite representatives from the training institution and/or resource persons who are recognized experts in the proposed field of the fellowship application.

The following criteria that enter into the decision to recommend approval or disapproval of the application include the following:

1. scientific merit of the research to be undertaken by the fellow under the guidance of the sponsor
2. relevance of the proposed research priority health problems of the country

3. adequacy of the educational background and research experience of the applicant to undertake research
4. the institution environment in which the research will be carried out
5. the compatibility of the objectives stated by the applicant and those envisaged by the training institution

### **Responsibilities of Participating Institutions**

#### 1. PCHRD

- 1.1. The PCHRD will provide financial assistance to support the following:
  - 1.1.1. Stipend at PHP10,000 per month
  - 1.1.2. Travel from fellow's residence to the training institution
  - 1.1.3. Maintenance and operating expenses of the research project which should not exceed PHP200,000
- 1.2. An Administrative fee of 7.5% of the total grant will be provided to the training institution by the PCHRD.

#### 2. Training Institutions

- 2.1. The training institution is basically engaged in academic and/or research programs with existing and research infrastructure.
- 2.2. The training institution will provide the necessary environment and condition to ensure that the fellow benefit from his stay in the training institution not only in terms of completing his research project but as well as broadening his knowledge in his field of interest.
- 2.3. The training institution will provide technical guidance to the fellow to the various stages of implementation of the research project. In addition, the training institution will, to the fullest extent possible, provide the fellow with the necessary academic environment to further stimulate his interest in his field including but not exclusive to such mechanisms as directed readings, and participation in scientific meetings conducted by the training institution.

The training institution may require the trainee to render some services (e.g. teach) to the training institution while doing research work.

- 2.4. The training institution shall ensure that any scientific paper written as output of the fellow's work shall be co-authored by the research fellow and his research adviser.