

Notification of the Ministry of Public Health  
concerning the appointment of communicable disease control officers  
under the Communicable Disease Act, B.E. 2558 (2015)

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Whereas it is expedient to appoint communicable disease control officers under the Communicable Disease Act, B.E. 2558 (2015) for the purpose of the operation for surveillance, prevention, and control of communicable diseases or epidemics;

By virtue of section 5 paragraph one of the Communicable Disease Act, B.E. 2558 (2015), the Minister of Public Health issues the following Notification:

Clause 1. Government Officials of the Department of Disease Control of the Ministry of Public Health who have one of the following qualifications are eligible to be communicable disease control officer as referred to in the Communicable Disease Act, B.E. 2558 (2015):

(1) at least 10 years of experience in Epidemiology, surveillance, prevention or control of communicable diseases;

(2) a Diploma in Preventive Medicine in Epidemiology;

(3) a certification from the Field Epidemiology Training Program: FETP;

(4) a certification from the Field Epidemiology Training Program for Medical Team Leader and chief investigator;

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(5) a certification from Field Epidemiology and Management Training: FEMT for Medical Team Leader and chief investigator;

(6) a certification from the Public Health Academic Program in Field Epidemiology;

(7) a certification from any other program prescribed by the Department of Disease Control or certified by the Department of Disease Control.

Clause 2. Government Officials of the Ministry of Health, who are not Government Officials of the Department of Disease Control as referred to in clause 1, Government Officials of the Ministry of Defense, the Ministry of Interior, the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, and the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration, who have one of the following qualifications, are eligible to be communicable disease control officers as referred to in the Communicable Disease Act, B.E. 2558 (2015) over their areas of authority and responsibility:

(1) at least 10 years of experience in Epidemiology, surveillance, prevention or control of communicable diseases;

(2) a Diploma in Preventive Medicine in Epidemiology;

(3) a certification from the Field Epidemiology Training Program: FETP;

(4) a certification from the Field Epidemiology Training Program for Medical Team Leader and chief investigator;

(5) a certification from the Field Epidemiology and Management Training: FEMT for Medical Team Leader and chief investigator;

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(6) a certification from the Public Health Academic Program in Field Epidemiology;

(7) a certification from any other program prescribed by the Department of Disease Control or certify by the Department of Disease Control.

Clause 3. Training Programs for Government Officials who will be appointed as communicable disease control officers as referred to in Clauses 1 (3), 1 (4), 1 (5), 1 (6) and 1 (7) and Clauses 2 (3), 2 (4), 2 (5), 2 (6) and 2 (7) must be programs prescribed by the Department of Disease Control or certified by the Department of Disease Control defined as follows:

(1) A training program prescribed by the Department of Disease Control means a specific training program administrated by the Department of Disease Control.

(2) A training program certified by the Department of Disease Control means a training program administrated by the Department of Disease Control or a training program administrated by a higher education institute, a Government Sector, a State agency or a non-governmental organization having the objectives not to seek profit and operating public health activities which certified by the Department of Disease Control.

In case a higher education institute, a Government Sector, a State agency or a non-governmental organization having the objectives not to seek profit and operating public health activities has an intention to administrate a training program as described in Clauses 1 (3), 1 (4), 1 (5), 1(6) and 1 (7) and Clause 2 (3), 2 (4), 2 (5), 2 (6) and 2 (7), the higher education institute, Government Sector, State agency or non-governmental organization having the

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objectives not to seek profit and operating public health activities, shall submit an outline of the training program to the Department of Disease Control for consideration and certification before administrating the program.

Clause 4. This Notification shall come into force as from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Announced on this 29th day of March, B.E. 2560 (2017)

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