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Invitation for expressions of interest to attend a 'Short Intensive Professional Programme in HIV' in the University of Sydney, Australia

A. Background

A 'Short Intensive Professional Programme in HIV' aiming to provide a comprehensive overview of prevention and management of HIV infection will be delivered by the Sexually Transmitted Infections Research Centre (STIRC), University of Sydney, Australia. The Programme also provides opportunities to enhance professional experience and develop networks by attendance at the Australasian HIV conference, visits to centres of excellence and leadership development activities. At the end of the Programme, participants will be able to use their skills to build capacity in the prevention and treatment of HIV. Fellows who fulfil requirements of the programme (achieve pass in all units of study equivalent to 12 credit points) will be awarded an *International Professional Certificate in HIV Infection (IPC-HIV)*.

Ten Indian professionals will be given the opportunity to participate in an interactive training session with Australian experts on a fully funded programme. This programme has been planned by the leading experts from the University of Sydney, Australia; Professor Adrian Mindel, A/Prof Richard Hillman and Dr Shailendra Sawleshwarkar, in conjunction with colleagues from the Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI).

The programme has been funded by AusAID, through the Australian Leadership Awards Fellowships (ALAF) programme (<http://www.ausaid.gov.au/scholar/alafellow.cfm>) and will run from 23rd August to 17th November 2010.

B. Invitation

We invite expressions of interest to participate in the above-mentioned programme aiming to build capacities of fellows attending the programme. Please indicate your interest in this programme by duly filling up the application form attached herewith at your earliest convenience. The completed **application forms should be sent latest by 31st May 2010** to the following preferably by e-mail:

Ms. Tanuja Bhandari, Programme Officer, Indian Institute of Public Health, Delhi, Plot 34, Sector 44, Gurgaon, Haryana, India. PIN 122002. E-mail: tanuja.bhandari@iiphd.org
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For more information, please contact Ms. Tanuja Bhandari, Programme Officer, IIPH-D at the above-mentioned address.

Yours sincerely,

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Professor Adrian Mindel
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The University of Sydney
<http://www.sydney.edu.au/medicine/stirc>



C. Essential criteria to attend the programme

The AusAID ALAF programme is intended for those **professionals who are already leaders** or have the potential to assume leadership roles that can influence social and economic policy reform and development outcomes of India.

If selected, you will then need to provide a **letter of support from your employer**, indicating that you will be released from duties to participate in the programme from 23rd August to 17th November 2010 at the University of Sydney and that you will be supported upon your return to disseminate and implement the new knowledge and skills acquired whilst in Australia.

The selected candidate to attend the programme should:

1. Be a mid-career professional
2. Have a graduate degree in either of the following: epidemiology, medicine, microbiology, biochemistry, public health, clinical research, management, biostatistics, social sciences, health economics, law
3. Be able to spend three months out of country at a stretch without hesitation
4. Be available for capacity building and research activities in the field of HIV/AIDS whenever required by PHFI or its affiliated institutes within at least 3 years after attending the programme

In addition to the above criteria the selected candidate should preferably:

1. Have at least 5 years work experience including desirably HIV/AIDS and/ or STIs prevention, treatment, surveillance or control program, research, teaching, training and/ or program experience
2. Be in the age group of 30-45 years
3. Be interested and motivated enough to attend the programme

D. What to Submit

The following documents need to be submitted along with the duly filled up application form given on next page:

1. A current CV, outlining your qualifications and experience (please attach).
2. A brief statement (not more than 250 words) on how the programme will help in your own professional development
3. A brief statement (not more than 250 words) on how the programme will help in your contribution to your institute, PHFI and the HIV/AIDS programme in the country
4. Three recent professional references
5. One photograph (electronic or paper)



E. Application Form for ALA Fellowship

PART 1 – Applicant Details	
TITLE (please tick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Dr <input type="checkbox"/> Professor
GIVEN NAMES	
FAMILY NAME	
EMPLOYER NAME	
PART 2 – Contact Details	
STREET ADDRESS	
SUBURB/TOWN	
STATE/ PIN COUNTRY	
CONTACT NUMBERS	Work: Fax: Mobile: Email: Web:

PART 3 – Educational qualifications and HIV experience
<u>Health related degree</u> Medical <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing <input type="checkbox"/> Public health <input type="checkbox"/> Allied Health <input type="checkbox"/> Science <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> (Please specify) _____ <u>HIV or STI experience</u> Clinical <input type="checkbox"/> Public health <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory science <input type="checkbox"/> Policy and governance <input type="checkbox"/> Allied health <input type="checkbox"/> Service or program delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> (Please specify) _____