

Objectives

Upon successful completion, the trainees shall be able to:

1. Demonstrate a proper knowledge of health-care systems structures, administration, planning, funding, and evaluation;
2. Address structural and functional problems in health care by proposing alternative plans of action;
3. Gather and utilize information and data towards healthcare planning and administration

Structure and Curriculum

The program consists of five core modules and two elective modules. In addition, each participant has to complete a research and management project by collecting and analyzing data, from his/her place of work, and reporting the results.

The program comprises 420 hours (lectures, laboratory exercises and field practice). In addition, a research and management project is to be completed. For that 6 weeks of supervised study and a maximum of 8 weeks of self study shall be allowed.

Each module is of 3 credit hours and each shall be covered in 15 weeks.

The core modules are:

1. Health care delivery system
2. Population growth, sustainable development, and health
3. Foundations of epidemiologic research methods: Basic applied epidemiology and biostatistics
4. Health services administration and planning
5. Health care financial management

Elective Modules (2 required)

- Methods of Problem Solving
- Public Health Communication
- Hospital data: collection, interpretation, and presentation

- In-service Education
- Health Information System
- Environmental and Occupational Health, Health Education, Nutrition in Public Health, and Maternal and Child Health
- Quality Management: Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI)/Total Quality Management (TQM)

Research Project

Each participant shall have to complete a research project. It shall deal with an operational problem that the participant or his/her organization has experienced.

Target Audience

Potential participants shall be upper middle management healthcare professionals, directly involved in policy formulation, planning and administration, who are interested in improving their abilities and in acquiring the needed tools and skills to motivate others to function more effectively.

Assessment and Degree

Candidates shall be subjected to continuous assessment as it pertains to specific requirements for each module. On completion of the requisite modules and the Project, successful candidates will be awarded a Diploma in Public Health (Dip. P H).

The design and implementation modalities of the program shall act as a filter for management behavior and conduct. Consequently, the graduates shall have a higher level of competence, efficiency and effectiveness, and shall therefore be responsive administrators.

Admission Criteria

- A TOEFL score of 500 (or equivalent competence through an acceptable test)
- Computer literacy in terms of ability to use Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint

- A satisfactory essay of 300 – 500 words on long-term professional objectives
- A successful interview with the designated Faculty members
- A written letter of approval and support from the employer

Schedule

Semester I

1. Healthcare Delivery System
2. Foundations of Epidemiologic Research Methods: Basic Applied Epidemiology and Biostatistics
3. Population Growth, Sustainable Development, and Health

Summer Semester

4. Health Care Financial Management
5. Elective 1

Semester II

6. Health Services Administration and Planning
7. Elective 2
8. Project

Applications

Applications on the prescribed form, and supported with the following, shall be entertained:

- A letter of approval and support from the employer
- A typed essay of 300-500 words on long-term professional objectives (hand written essay shall not be accepted)
- Certified copies of university degree(s)
- Three photographs

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**KUWAIT INSTITUTE FOR MEDICAL
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FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH

**DIPLOMA
IN
PUBLIC HEALTH**

This one year academic program is offered by the Faculty of Public Health (FoPH). The "problem-based learning" is designed to provide training to policy-makers, administrators and care providers and thereby improve their capabilities and capacity to provide affordable quality care. Upon successful completion of the program, the participants shall be awarded a diploma in Public Health (Dip. P H).

The teaching shall be conducted in the afternoons. For some subjects, seminar meetings may be held on Thursdays.