

法規名稱：MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING COOPERATION ON HEALTH ISSUES

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This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) made and entered into by and between:

The TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE in the Philippines represented by HSIN-HSING WU, Ph. D., Representative, herein referred to as TECO:

The MANILA ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE in Taiwan represented by ANTONIO I. BASILIO, Resident Representative, herein referred to as MECO;

WHEREAS, desiring to improve the health of the peoples of Taiwan and the Philippines, to promote mutual understanding and friendly relations, and to cooperate on medical services; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the advantages to be gained by their respective peoples from the implementation of such cooperation;

WHEREAS, the TECO and MECO wish to enter into this MOU for the purpose of setting forth their roles and responsibilities for joint collaboration and coordination in health implementation activities and referred to as the "PARTIES";

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the Parties do hereby mutually agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Responsibilities of Parties:

The Parties shall designate respectively, a representative agency to implement this Memorandum. For TECO, the implementing agency is the Department of Health; and for MECO, the implementing agency is the Philippines Department of Health (Philippines-DOH).

Coordination and collaboration in health implementation activities

The following mechanisms shall provide collaboration and cooperation between the PARTIES and their representative agencies.

The Parties and /or their representative agencies shall:

a. Hold at least one meeting per year in Taiwan or the Philippines, for the planning of measures designed to improve

- health services and the training of medical staff;
- b.Promote and facilitate the exchange of experiences pertaining to health, including the areas such as but not limited to:
- b.1.Communicable and emerging infectious diseases (e.g. tuberculosis, dengue fever, HIV/AIDS, avian influenza, and the like), in relation to the implementation of the International Health Regulations (IHR 2005) and the establishment of the national IHR focal points;
- b.2.Non-communicable diseases (e.g. diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, cerebrovascular diseases, gout, hypertension) that will focus on changing behavioral risk factors (e.g. obesity, insufficient physical activity, poor diet and substance abuse, especially alcohol and cigarettes); and
- b.3.Research and policy development
- c.Promote and facilitate the development of local health systems and foster good relationships and collaboration between and among academic institutions, hospitals, and non-governmental organizations, local government units and indigenous peoples in support thereof;
- d.Promote and assist the participation of the Parties in international activities concerning health and other health related activities;
- e.Promote medical services and personnel exchanges, including staff training in the area of medicine and health technology; and,
- f.Promote and facilitate cooperation with respect to social health insurance and health care financing.

ARTICLE II

Application of this MOU:

- 1.The funding arrangement for any exchanges facilitated by virtue of this MOU shall be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
- 2.Either Party may request consultation concerning this MOU through written notice.
- 3.This MOU shall enter into force from the date of signature by the Parties.
- 4.Either Party may terminate this MOU through the issuance of a written notice, three months in advance to the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE III

Final Provisions

This MOU is to be interpreted harmoniously by the Parties, and nothing in this MOU, is intended to amend or modify any other agreements.

It is the intention of the Parties, subject to availability of their respective funding for this purpose, to carry out, in good faith, their roles and responsibilities as described in this

MOU. The Parties hereto may, upon mutual consent, amend, alter, or modify this MOU by any instrument duly signed by the Parties. IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned signs this Memorandum in duplicate at Taipei this 5th day of December 2006 and in the English language.

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