



ePost Graduate Program in Health Economics, Health Care Financing and Policy

eLearning Program
Course Duration: One Year

Offered by: Indian Institute of Public Health-Delhi

BACKGROUND

PHFI has successfully conducted a nine-month duration on-campus Post Graduate Diploma in Health Economics, Health care Financing and Health Policy (PGDHEP) program for seven years in the past. The same program was transformed to eLearning in 2016 to expand the outreach and provide learning opportunities to working professionals. This eLearning program envisioned by PHFI is particularly suited for healthcare professionals already working with health system and engaged in delivery of health services but have limited access to higher education because of personal or professional reasons.

The course is the first of its kind in India premised on the belief that enhanced understanding and knowledge of health economics and its approaches and techniques, health systems research and health policy analysis is pivotal for efficient and effective utilization of resources.

OBJECTIVES

The overall goal of this course is to increase appreciation of role of health economics, health care financing and policy in public health. It will provide a fundamental understanding of key issues in health economics, health care financing, pharmaceutical economics, and economic evaluation for public health practice for informed decision making and implementation.

COURSE DESIGN AND DURATION

The course is designed as a one year eLearning program, largely self-taught, complemented with online lectures and comprehensive online study material. Assignments and examinations at pre-determined intervals will serve to assess and provide feedback to the students. English would be the language of instruction.

ELIGIBILITY

The course would be open to:

- Applicants with graduate/post-graduate qualification in medical and allied fields with relevant work experience in public health with health related organizations/NGOs.
- Applicants currently engaged in public health related activities such as health professionals working with directorates of health services, central and state governments, officials engaged in health services at national, state and district level government institutions.
- Applicants engaged in health services with National Health Programmes like National Health Mission, Ayushman Bharat, and other national health programs.

Eligible candidates would be screened, based on their application and statement of purpose, by a specially constituted selection committee. Decisions taken by the selection committee will be final. Preference will be given to in-service candidates from the central and state governments.

COURSE OUTLINE

The course content includes modules introducing public health and policy, basic research methods in health, epidemiology, statistics, microeconomic theory, health economics, and in-depth modules on concepts and applications of economic evaluation, health care financing, health policy, health system and pharmaceutical economics.

TEACHING AND COURSE DELIVERY METHODOLOGY

The course utilizes online teaching/learning technique. The basic course structure includes a combination of online virtual lectures, interactive discussion board, assessments, and recommended readings from journal articles and textbooks.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

- **Internet Bandwidth:** 1 Mbps
- **Processor:** Intel Pentium 4 or equivalent and above
- **RAM:** 512 MB and above (1 GB recommended)
- **Supported browsers:** Recent-Google Chrome, Mozilla, Safari, Internet Explorer and Microsoft Edge
- **Supported Operating Systems:** Windows 7 or higher with latest updates installed, Mac OS X 10.3 higher with latest updates installed, Linux and Android etc.
- **Headset with microphone** (web camera - optional)

EVALUATION

Participant evaluation would be through concurrent evaluations that includes online module examinations, written assignments and course work. It is mandatory to clear all modules of the program.

COURSE FEE

The Course fee is ₹ 36,000 (INR) for Indian Nationals, \$ 600 (USD) for South Asian Nationals, and \$ 1200 (USD) for other international candidates.

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