

The Asia Network for Capacity Building in Health Systems Strengthening (ANHSS) in collaboration with the World Bank Institute (WBI) is pleased to present:

## Flagship Course on Equity and Health Systems In Tagaytay, Philippines

29 November - 3 December 2010



We are pleased to announce the **Flagship Course on Equity and Health Systems for Asia**. This week-long course is being offered by the Asia Network for Capacity Building in Health Systems Strengthening (ANHSS) in cooperation with the World Bank Institute, World Bank, the Department of Health (DOH) of the Philippines and the Equitap Network. The Japanese Government is providing partial financial support to the course through a grant fund. The organizer is the Institute for Health Policy of Sri Lanka, one of the founding members of ANHSS. The course is hosted by the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP).

### Background

This is the first time the World Bank Institute's Flagship Course on Equity and Health Systems will be presented in the Asia-Pacific region. This course was successfully delivered in Budapest for 5 years, and has been updated and designed as a regional course, drawing on Asian data and experiences.

This course will provide policy-makers, academics and other interested stakeholders from the Asia-Pacific region with an understanding of how to assess and act on equity issues in their health systems. The course content is built around the WBI Flagship framework, and aims to help participants think about why equity in health is important, to identify methods and tools

for assessing equity, and policy options to achieve more equitable, pro-poor outcomes.

### Learning Objectives

This week long course will enable participants to speak a "common language" about equity in health and health systems, to understand why equity should be important, and to achieve deeper understanding of what drives equity in health and health systems and the value judgments involved.

By the end of the course, participants are expected to:

- Have developed the skills to understand and assess the equity performance of their own health systems, across a range of dimensions including financing, financial protection, service delivery and health outcomes.
- Understand what criteria and indicators can be used to assess health systems' equity performance, and be familiar with the tools and resources available to measure them.
- Have learnt about key global experiences in thinking about and navigating the political challenges of making health systems more equitable.
- Understand potential policy responses and interventions to improve equity in health systems, and be able to develop action plans for their own countries.



## Venue

The course will be held at the DAP Conference Center in Tagaytay City, near Manila, Philippines

Less than an hour's drive from Manila, the Development Academy of the Philippines Conference Center (DAPCC) facility is ideal for live-in training, seminars, and workshops.

Located in Tagaytay City which is 2,000 feet above sea level (cooler than Manila), the Center occupies a 4.5 hectare lot.

It has nine self-contained cottages and a four-storey residence hall which can accommodate over 200 persons.

It has lecture and workshop rooms, and a convention hall. The Conference Center's amenities include sports facilities and a small theater.

## Course Fee

The tuition fee for the course is USD 500 for each participant.

This fee includes tuition, course materials, breakfast, lunch and coffee breaks during the course, two dinner receptions and transport between Manila Airport and the conference centre.

Participants (or their sponsors) will be responsible for covering the cost of travel to Manila, accommodation (USD 100/night or USD 50/night sharing), dinner and incidentals.

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