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2022 Pacific NCD Youth Ambassadors (PYA-NCD-22)

Getting youth involved in non-communicable diseases prevention and control

The Pacific Community (SPC) has announced a call for applications from youth aged between 18 and 30 years. Those selected will receive technical guidance and professional support to implement activities designed to prevent and control noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) in their communities.

Background

NCDs such as diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, chronic respiratory diseases and cancers are the main cause of deaths and challenging social and economic development in the Pacific Island countries and territories (PICTs). The burden of NCDs drains government resources and causes negative impact on the quality of life of people across the Pacific. Smoking, harmful use of alcohol, consuming unhealthy diet (e.g., foods and drinks that are high in sugar, salt, fat, and processed foods) combined with a sedentary lifestyle, are the main risk factors associated with NCDs. However, NCDs can be prevented through raising awareness on environmental and lifestyle modifications and taking actions at the grassroots level.

Who can apply and join PYA-NCD-22?

Youth aged 18–30 from one of the SPC's 22 member PICTs can apply. If the application is successful, youth can take part in the PYA-NCD-22 initiative. Youth will need to form teams of 3 to 5 people.

Why should youth join PYA-NCD-22?

PYA-NCD-22 initiative provides opportunities for the Pacific youth to share creative ideas that could help improve health and wellbeing in their communities.

If the application is successful, there will be opportunities for youth to participate in a series of training and education sessions on prevention and control of NCDs and promotion of health; and obtain technical guidance and professional support to design and implement innovative activities to raise awareness on NCDs in their respective communities.

How to apply?

Complete the attached entry form and email it to the following address: Health-Enquiries@spc.int before the deadline on **31/07/2022**. It will take only a few minutes to complete. Only successful candidates will be notified the outcome of the applications.



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Entry form

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1- Information about team members

Participant no. 1

Family name: _____

First name: _____

Age: _____

Country or territory of residence: _____

Participant no. 2

Family name: _____

First name: _____

Age: _____

Country or territory of residence: _____

Participant no. 3

Family name: _____

First name: _____

Age: _____

Country or territory of residence: _____

Participant no. 4 (optional)

Family name: _____

First name: _____

Age: _____

Country or territory of residence: _____

Participant no. 5 (optional)

Family name: _____

First name: _____

Age: _____

Country or territory of residence: _____

2- Your idea(s) of activities to address NCDs in your community

Please provide a succinct description of your idea(s). What kind of activities would you like to implement to improve health and wellbeing, with a particular focus on NCD prevention and control, in your community?
