



TERMS OF REFERENCE

Job Title:	Right to Health Monitoring Consultant
Hiring Unit	UN Human Rights Office (OHCHR) <i>via UNDP Moldova</i>
Contract type:	Individual Contract
Duration of assignment:	July - November 2017 (up to 15 working days)

Background

The UN Human Rights Office (Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, OHCHR) represents the world's commitment to universal ideals of human dignity. It has a unique mandate from the international community to promote and protect all human rights.

The UN Human Rights Office in Moldova led by the National Human Rights Coordinator supports and advises the UN RC Office, United Nations Country Team (UNCT) in Moldova, Government, National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs), civil society and community groups in strengthening human rights and human rights based approach to development. The National Human Rights Coordinator is assisted in the accomplishment of his mandate by a National Human Rights Officer and team of consultants.

According to the Country Note for the Republic of Moldova 2014-2017, the thematic priorities for interventions include: (1) countering discrimination, in particular racial discrimination, discrimination on the grounds of disability, religion, sexual orientation and other criteria; (2) combating impunity and strengthening accountability and the rule of law; (3) strengthening the effectiveness of international human rights mechanisms and the progressive development of international human rights law and standards.

As a part of its mandate in working with the National Human Rights Institutions, the Office is aiming at providing the expert assistance in strengthening the NHRI's institutional and organizational capacities.

One of the institutional priorities of the Office of the People's Advocate for 2017 is to monitor the way in which the right to highest attainable standard of health is being fulfilled in Republic of Moldova. As the Office has already developed a report on the right to health through the prism of the emergency medical assistance for now it intends to initiate a study on the insurance of the right to health from the perspective of primary medical assistance.

Considering the importance of the right to health attributed by the studies of the perception of the population over human rights¹ there is a stringent need for developing a study on the right to health based not just on the perceptions of the right holders but on the policy research,

¹ 86,2% of the respondents believe their right to health is not being fulfilled at all or just partially , p. 33 of the study available at: http://md.one.un.org/content/dam/unct/moldova/docs/pub/eng-raport_do_final_pentru_tipar.pdf

development of appropriate to the Moldovan context indicators and benchmarks for the monitoring of this fundamental right.

The right to highest attainable standard of physical and mental health is recognized as being one of the most complex rights to be fulfilled as it depends on a series of constraints and country specific limitations.² Still, holding the duty bearers accountable for the full realization of this right is one of the tools for contributing to the fulfillment of the right.

Scope of Work, Duties and Responsibilities

The Right to health monitoring Consultant will work closely with the National Human Rights Officer in developing, for the People's Advocate Office the methodology for the study of right to primary health services.

He/she will also assist the Ombudsman Office in framing the recommendation for the duty bearers in respect of insuring the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health through strengthening the framework of the primary medical services.

Specific deliverables, expected workload and indicative timeframe for the above tasks are presented below:

	DELIVERABLE	DUE DATE
1.	Country specific indicators and benchmarks for the monitoring of the right to health with indicative list of sources on the information for each indicator developed	25 August 2017
2.	Qualitative and qualitative methodology for the study on the rights to health through the prism of the primary medical assistance services developed	30 August 2017
3.	The recommendations for the stakeholders with the view of enhancing the right to health through the strengthen of the primary medical assistance revised	15 November 2017

A final report on implementation of the above listed tasks shall be submitted by the last day of the assignment.

The payments under these Terms of Reference will be made upon the submission of the final report.

Required Skills and Experience

Education:

- University degree in medical and/or legal field (health management);

Experience:

- At least 5 years of professional experience at the national and/or international level in law and/or health or health management;
- Experience of work on human rights related public policies.

² See the General Comment 14, para. 5, available at:
http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=E%2fC.12%2f2000%2f4&Lang=en

Language Requirements:

- Fluency in oral and written Romanian (knowledge of Russian and English would be an asset);
- Knowledge of one or more languages relevant for Moldova, including Bulgarian, Gagauz, Romani, Ukrainian or sign language is an asset.

Diversity Clause: Applicants from under-represented groups (persons with disabilities, Roma and other ethnic, linguistic or religious minorities, persons living with HIV, refugees and other noncitizens) will have an advantage during the selection process. OHCHR is committed to reasonably accommodate the working environment for the persons with special needs.

Documents to be included in the proposal

Interested persons should submit the financial proposal (fee per day and lump sum) and a brief methodology of how they will fulfill each of the specified tasks/provide the established deliveries.

The United Nations Organization is committed to diversity and inclusion. Women, persons from vulnerable groups, such as persons with disabilities, Roma and other ethnic, linguistic or religious minorities, persons living with HIV, refugees and other noncitizens legally entitled to work in the Republic of Moldova, as well as persons from other underrepresented groups are particularly encouraged to apply.