Establishing the Postgraduate Training Program for Pediatric Surgeons in Lao PDR

- The mortality of newborn and infants is highest in South-East Asia. One of the reasons is the limited qualified pediatric surgeon and education system for pediatric surgery in Lao PDR.
- Leading pediatric surgeons from Japan provide the postgraduate training of pediatric surgery as part of the postgraduate training at UHS of Lao PDR. The online lectures, case conferences and international symposium will be conducted in the first year.
- The postgraduate training program will be established and a few qualified pediatric surgeons will be produced in three years. After the fourth year, the program will be run by Lao pediatric surgeons, and qualified pediatric surgeons will be produced every year.

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- <Activities: July 2020 Feb 2021>
- 1. Curriculum and teaching material development
- 2. Online seminars on pediatric surgery and related areas (Nine subjects consisting of 14 units (one unit consists of one week, five days)
- 3. Online case conference (four times) (operative indication, techniques and pre/postoperative management)
 - 4. Annual Lao International Symposium on Pediatric Surgeons (Theme for 2020: "The current status and perspective of neonatal surgery in Lao PDR.")