

## The National Center for Global Health and Medicine, Japan Bureau of International Medical Cooperation

WHO Collaborating Centre for Health Systems Research WCC JPN-45

## 30 years as a WCC

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Designation Re-designation History

Date of Designation: 13/May/1985 Last Re-designation: 28/July/2013

Terms Reference

- > To assist the Health Service Development Unit (current Integrated Service Delivery Programme)/WPRO/WHO in assessing the impacts of health system strengthening and its coordination with disease-specific health programmes.
- > To provide technical consultancies on health system strengthening (HSS)



#### **NCGM**

**Hospitals** Center Hosp: 801 beds / Konodai Hosp: 435 beds

**Research Institute** Focusing mainly on basic bio-medical research

**College of Nursing** 

Bureau of International **Medical Cooperation** 

WCC

## Mission and Key Technical Expertise

Joint Graduate

School Program with Nagasaki University

#### << Mission >>

Aim to realize a world where all people can lead equally healthy lives, the Bureau of International Medical Cooperation/NCGM supports developing countries to improve their health care using our expertise and contributes to healthier lives of Japanese people by bringing these experiences back to Japan.

**Improvement Health and Medicine** in Developing Countries **Technical assistance Contribution to global health** policy formulation **Human resource development** Global health research **Networks** Materna Child Health

## Resources

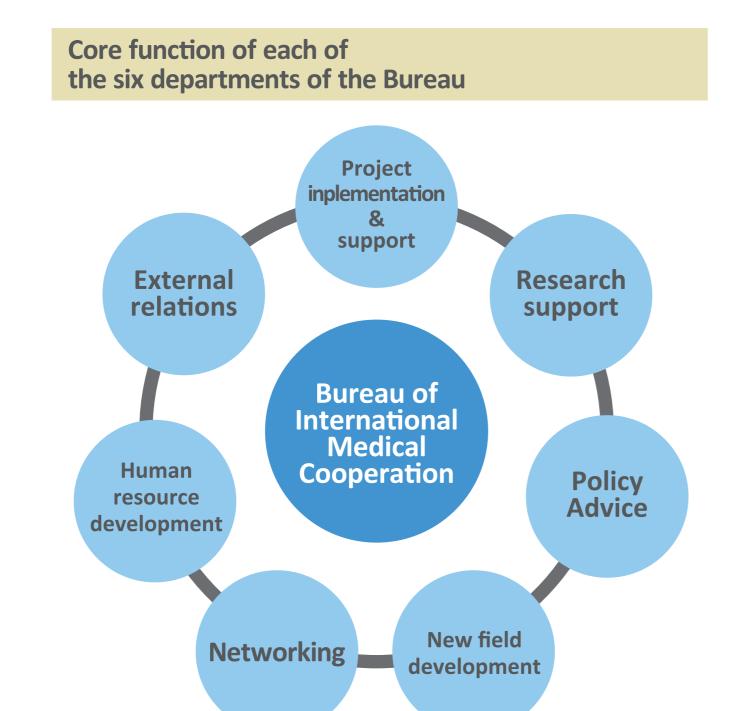
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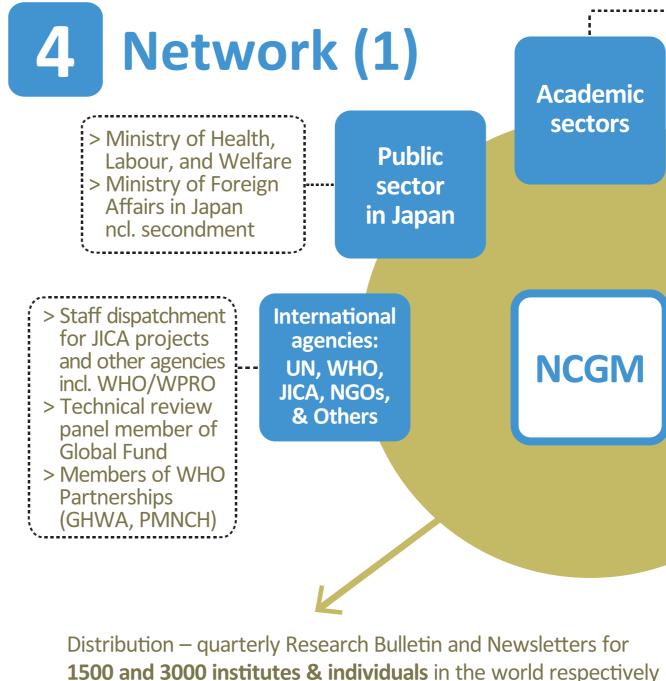
**52** technical staff (34 MDs, 2 Dentists, 14 RN/MWs, and 1 pharmacist, 1 labo technician)

**5** administrative staff

#### << Received research grant >>

- > Grants for International Health Research from the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan
- > Approximately 2 million USD per year



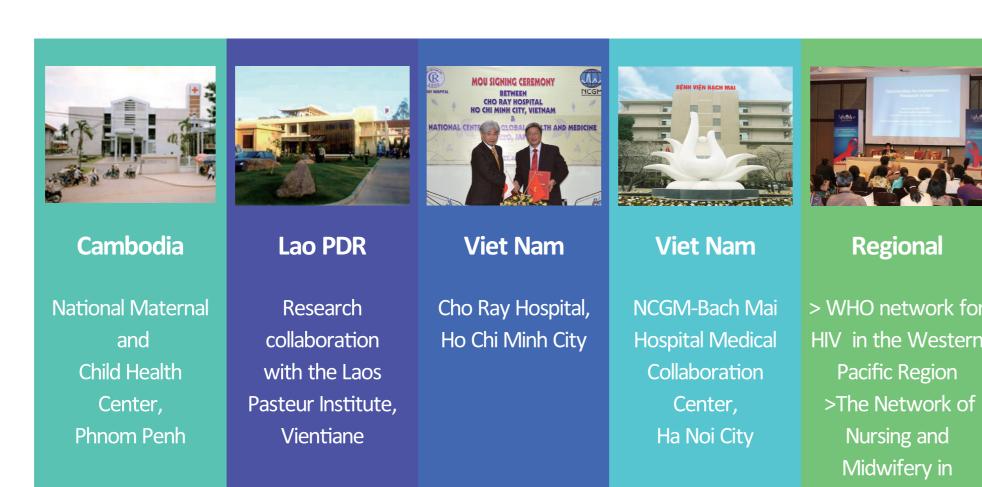


> Lecture provision for universities **Private** > Consultation sectors > Information provision **Governments** and institutes of -- Please see 5 low & middle income countries 

## Network – NCGM Collaboration Centers (2) - Institutes in low and middle income countries -

Around the world, NCGM has (1) six bilateral collaboration centers with cooperation agreements (MoUs) on technical assistance, research and human resource development, and (2) regional networks.

Some examples in the WHO Western Pacific Region are as follows;



### **On-going Key Works** [Current tern 2013-2017]

**TOR 1:** Assessing the impact of **HSS** and its coordination with disease-specific health programmes

Research on interface between malaria control programmes and health systems was carried out

Multi-country assessment of different health financing schemes aiming at UHC is on-going

**TOR 2: Provide technical** consultancies on HSS

A study on financial sustainability associated with the introduction of new vaccines is on-going

"The house-model" consisting of factors determining health human resources policies and systems was applied in some assessments

#### **Deliverables submitted**



Assessment of health systems in relation to interface between malaria control programs and health system strengthening: Comparative study of Lao PDR, Nepal and Viet Nam October 2013

Health system strengthening and disease and target-specific programmes in Cambodia, Lao PDR, and Viet Nam: Towards better harmonization

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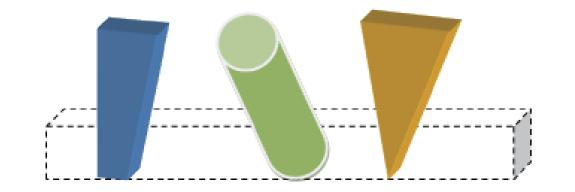
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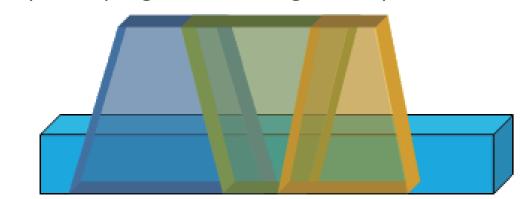
# Key findings from the past and on-going collaboration with WHO

#### **Defferent health programmes and HSS**

Disease -spesific programmes as dissociated sub-systems



Disease -spesific programmes integrated upon a solid HS basis



- > Disease-specific and other health programmes are tuned to work in resource-poor environments, ensuring efficiency and service coverage.
- > However, scaling-up of disease-specific and other health programmes does not automatically lead to overall health system strengthening.
- > Sometimes a good practice to resolve system-wide bottle-necks creates another problem (e.g. debatable service staff quality under PBD).
- > Health systems could benefit from disease-specific and other health programmes: (1) Resource mobilisation; (2) Service delivery models; (3) Management/administrative capacity; (4) Capital investment (e.g. cold-chain, laboratory, etc.);(5) Drugs and other consumables logistics; and (6)Standardised training.

## Conclusion

Southeast Asia



As a core institution of Japan's international health cooperation, Bureau of International Medical Health/NCGM as a WCC is willing to continue to contribute

- > for WHO to fulfil its mission of helping Member States attain the highest possible health for their people
- > to strategic partnership towards Universal Health Coverage with stronger health systems through health systems research



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