**Terms of reference**

**Consultants for the scope review on mental health support for families of children with IDD**

**Context:**

The Center for Creative Initiatives in Health and Population (CCIHP) is a non-profit science and technology organization under VUSTA with extensive experiences in implementing research, training, intervention, consultation and advocacy projects in the field of health management, reproductive health, gender equality, gender-based violence and disability. CCIHP’s program aim to promote quality, diversity and health for all.

CCIHP recently is implementing USAID funded projects, aiming to improve the quality of life of persons with disabilities in the central region of Vietnam. A part of the projects aims to contribute to creating positive and sustainable changes in the quality of life of children with intellectual and developmental disability and their families.

CCIHP is planning to develop a model to provide psychological support for IDD children and their families. In order to have evidences to design and implement the model, CCIHP is looking for consultants to conduct a scoping review of the needs of mental health support for families, services gaps and existing intervention models, especially in resources settings.

**Key research questions include:**

Q1:  What is the current status of mental health needs for children with IDD and their families and particularly in three central provinces?

Q2:  What is the current status of services and support provision in mental health for the families, in terms of types, accessibility, affordability, quality. What are factors affect to the availability and quality of services?

Q3. What are the good models and good practices in providing mental health support for the families, especially in low resource settings?

Q4. What are suggested potential models for CCIHP to adapt? Steps and considerations when adapt the models and implement in project sites?

**Method:**

* Desk review, including both published and unpublished materials (grey literature).
* Consultation workshop or delphi (optional).

**Deliverables:**

* PPT on key findings
* Review report (Maximum 20 pages), with a table summarizes intervention models/ approaches with a brief summary of the model, and brief analysis of the appropriateness/ advantages and limitations.

**Timeline:**

* Literature review: April
* Draft key finding PPT: 5 of May
* Draft report: 15 of May
* Final report: 30 of May
* Report language: either Vietnamese or English

**Consultants:**

Two persons – one team lead and one team member

**Tentative number of working days**

* About 22-25 working days for the consultant team and will be agreed in the contract negotiation depending on the level of details of the specific research questions and report structure.

**Requirement:**

* A master degree or above
* Experiences in the fields of mental health
* Experiences in the fields of disabilities, especially children with IDD will be an advantage

**Application:**

* Update CV
* A concept notes detailing number of working days and a brief outline of methodology
* Complete application should be sent to [qttrang@ccihp.org](mailto:qttrang@ccihp.org) before 6 April 2022