

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT
OF STRATEGIC SECTOR COOPERATION ON HEALTH PHASE 3
BETWEEN MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF VIET NAM
(VIET NAM ADMINISTRATION OF DISEASE PREVENTION) AND
MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR AND HEALTH OF DENMARK**

Based on the Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation (MOU) in the field of health signed on 22 September 2016 and extended on 3 November 2023 until 3 November 2026 by the Minister of Health of Viet Nam and Minister of the Interior and Health of Denmark, both ministries have decided to sign the Technical Assistance Agreement on Strategic Sector Cooperation on Health Phase 3*, as follows:

1. Title of the cooperation	Strategic Sector Cooperation in the field of Health Phase 3
2. Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of the Interior and Health of Denmark (Danish MOH) • Danish Health Authority • Steno Diabetes Center Copenhagen • Embassy of Denmark in Hanoi
3. Host agency	Ministry of Health of Viet Nam (Viet Nam MOH)
4. Duration	From 1 st of May 2025 to 30 th of April 2028
5. Implementing agencies in Vietnam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viet Nam Administration of Disease Prevention • International Cooperation Department • Health Strategy and Policy Institute • National Institute for Hygiene and Epidemiology • Provincial Department of Health in Thai Binh Province
6. Pilot site	Thai Binh Province
7. Type of Assistance	Technical assistance
8. Main objective and outcomes	<p>Main objective: Improved framework conditions for primary healthcare related to the prevention, detection and management of NCDs</p> <p>Expected outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Outcome A:</u> Strengthened policy development and implementation on primary healthcare for the prevention, detection and management of NCDs.

*In case of doubt, the English version of the agreement is the reference document.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Outcome B</u>: Evidence for national policy dialogue on primary healthcare related to the prevention, detection, and management of non-communicable diseases in Thai Binh Province. • <u>Outcome C</u>: Promoting private sector and institution engagement in strengthening primary healthcare for prevention and management of NCDs.
9. Budget and financial management mechanism, contributions from each side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denmark will contribute with technical assistance. • The funds will be directly managed and used by the Danish side according to their specific regulations and will not be transferred to the Vietnamese partner. • The Vietnamese side will provide in-kind contribution in the form of human resources, facilities, etc., according to their respective regulations. <p>Specifically:</p> <p>The Danish MOH and relevant agencies will provide staff, technical expertise and knowledge, practical facilities in Denmark, financial management, and coordinate Danish third parties and experts (when applicable). The Danish MOH confirms that it will allocate the adequate resources and have the means and will to give the necessary prioritization for the timely execution of this technical assistance. From Danish MOH the cooperation will be managed by a project manager. The project manager will cooperate closely with the Sector Counsellor and the Danish Embassy.</p> <p>In addition, the Danish side will also cover the following costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For physical workshops and meetings will be covered - venue, catering, interpretation, translation and printing of workshop materials. • For virtual workshops and meetings will be covered - interpretation and translation of relevant materials • For study trips to Denmark, the Danish side will cover accommodation, travel, and per diem for Vietnamese participants. • Consultants on the implementation of selected agreed activities, e.g. related to research, development of technical documents, surveys, monitoring and evaluation, etc., <p>The Vietnamese MOH confirms that it will allocate the adequate resources and have the means and will to give the necessary prioritization for the timely execution of this cooperation. This includes professional and timely input needed to implement the cooperation activities as agreed between the parties. The Vietnamese</p>

	partner authorities will engage in project review, provide input for workplans and ensure to allocate the adequate manpower
10. Responsibilities of the implementing agencies	<p>Viet Nam Administration of Disease Prevention - Ministry of Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focal department to coordinate and support the relevant agencies in implementation of activities in Vietnam in compliance with the regulations and policies on prevention and management of non-communicable diseases (NCDs) of the Ministry of Health in Viet Nam. • Collaborate in strengthening the development and implementation of policies on primary healthcare for the prevention, detection and management of NCDs; support activities of the Technical Advisory Committee in the field of surveillance, prevention and control of non-communicable diseases. • Collaborate in organizing policy dialogue workshops to share experiences and recommendations to improve the prevention and control of NCDs. <p>International Cooperation Department - Ministry of Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focal department to implement the signed MOU and effectively organize the missions to Denmark in collaboration with relevant agencies in Viet Nam and Denmark. <p>Health Strategy and Policy Institute - Ministry of Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implements the activities following the instruction and guidance of the Ministry of Health in compliance with the health policies and regulations. • Collaborate in strengthening capacity on policy development and implementation related to organization and management of primary healthcare such as: analyzing the context and identifying policy gaps, the role of inter-sectoral coordination and related issues in organization and planning of the primary health care system. <p>National Institute for Hygiene and Epidemiology, Ministry of Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implements the activities following the instruction and guidance of the Ministry of Health in compliance with the health policies and regulations.

	Provincial Department of Health in Thai Binh province: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implements the activities in Thai Binh following the instruction and guidance of the Ministry of Health in compliance with the health policies and regulations. • Collaborate in strengthening capacity of the grassroots healthcare in the prevention, detection, and management of hypertension and diabetes. • Collaborate in implementing a pilot intervention model on the prevention, detection, and management of hypertension and diabetes, as input/ evidence to national policy dialogues.
11. Management set-up	<p>The Strategic Sector Cooperation (SSC) on Health is implemented under the umbrella of the Viet Nam-Denmark MOU on Health. Danish MOH and Viet Nam MOH appoint a focal point from relevant agencies to coordinate the implementation of SSC activities. Also, a Steering Group with the necessary representation from both sides of the cooperation will oversee SSC implementation. Minor changes to workplans which do not affect the overall cooperation, i.e. changes in timing of specific activities, may be agreed directly between the relevant authorities and be informed to the Steering Group.</p>

Signed on 2025 in the Vietnamese and English languages and will come into effect on the signing date.

**For the Ministry of the
Interior and Health of Denmark**
Deputy Permanent Secretary

**Viet Nam Administration of
Disease Prevention**

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