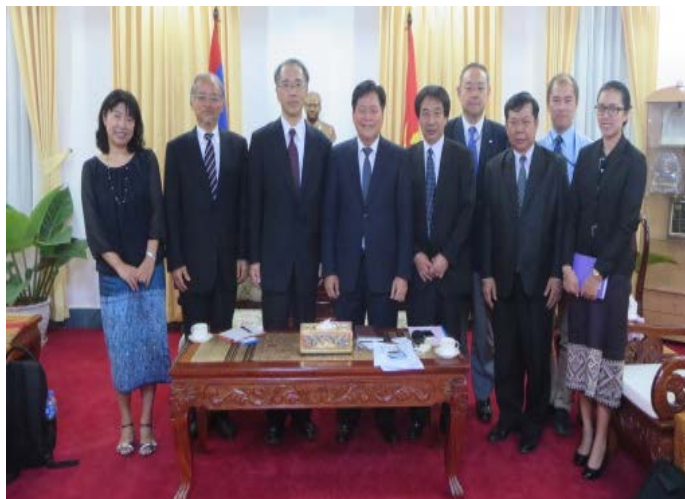


JICA Health Policy Advisor to Lao PDR



Project period : 2 years (Mar 2016~Mar 2018)

Project purpose : To assist the Ministry of Health of Lao PDR technically to implement the 8th Health Sector Development Plan (2016-2020) effectively and to proceed with further Health Sector Reform.

Areas of assistance : (1) Improving health policies, strategies, plans and activities; (2) monitoring and strengthening the sector wide coordination mechanism; (3) monitoring and strengthening the licensing mechanism for health care professionals; and (4) strategizing assistance from Japan to the health sector in Lao PDR.

Expected outcomes :

- (1) The objectives and targets of Health Sector Reform Phase II (2016-2020) become widely known, also the structure to proceed health sector reform is decided and revitalized;
- (2) Regarding the National Health Insurance (NHI) Scheme, which was newly introduced in July 2016, policy directions towards integrating this with other existing social health protection schemes are decided;
- (3) Development of the 4-year strategic plan (2017-2020) for scaling up the NHI scheme is completed.

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