

Thailand International Postgraduate Program: TIPP

Year 2026-2028

Theme: Health and wellness

1. **Course Title:** Master of Primary Health Care Management (International program)
2. **Master degree:** Master of Primary Health Care Management
3. **Academic Institution:** ASEAN Institute for Health Development, Mahidol University
4. **Duration:** 1 year (12 months)

5. Background and Rational:

Master of Primary Health Care Management degree program has been operated since the year 1986 with the cooperation between ASEAN Institute for Health Development (AIHD), Mahidol University, Thailand International Cooperation Development Agency (TICA), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). The program emphasizes the development of managerial and leadership skills for medical and paramedical public health care professionals from all over the world, especially Asia. Primary Health Care development is recognized as an appropriate channel for public health service in the improvement of existing human resources, making use of appropriate technology, and encouraging community participation. Since 1986, AIHD has produced more than 750 graduates from 39 countries, currently working as PHC leaders with the common goals of efficient and effective health services and improvement in the quality of life.

6. Objectives:

The ultimate goals are for people to have an equal opportunity to universal access to quality health care service and better quality of life. The teaching and learning processes of the curriculum aim to provide basic knowledge to support learners for their learning, which include research processes and strategies, analytical and critical thinking, researching system development, and initiating creativity as the basis of resolving health problems and improving health management at local areas.

The curriculum will emphasize and utilize real situations when conducting research, proficiency to develop independent researchers who can manage their research and achieve the status of being a leading and quality researcher in the country and internationally. The graduates will also play a major role in the future education and development of the country's healthcare organization and local health system management by using primary health care

principles, be able to apply their knowledge on primary healthcare management in moving the discipline of primary healthcare management forward, at both national and international levels.

7. Course synopsis and methodology

7.1 Study plan

The academic year is divided into three semesters.

First Semester:	August – December
Second Semester:	January – May
Summer:	May – July

Number of credits

1) Required courses	15 credits
2) Elective courses not less than	9 credits
3) Thesis	12 credits
Total not less than	36 credits

Year	Semester 1	Semester 2
1	<i>Required courses</i> ADPM 660 Primary Health Care and Health Services Management 3 credits ADPM 629 Research Methodology in Primary Health Care 2 credits ADPM 662 Epidemiology for PHC management 3 credits ADPM 697 Thesis Seminar 1 credit <i>Elective courses</i> not less than 6 credits	<i>Required courses</i> ADPM 622 Management of Environmental Health for Sustainable Development 3 credits ADPM 663 Universal Health Coverage for Primary Health Care Management 3 credits ADPM 698 Thesis 12 credits <i>Elective courses</i> not less than 3 credits
	Total 15 Credits	Total 9+12 Credits
	Summer	
	ADPM 698 Thesis 12 credits (Cont.)	
	Total 36 Credits	

Remark: Thesis plan

February: Proposal Examination

April: Data Collection

May-June: Thesis Writing

July: Thesis Defense and publication

7.2 Course contents:***Require course 15 Credits***

			Credits (lecture – practice – self-study)
ADPM	622	Management of Environmental Health for Sustainable Development	3 Credits
ADPM	629	Research Methodology in Primary Health Care Management	3 Credits
ADPM	660	Primary Health Care and Health Services Management	3 Credits
ADPM	662	Epidemiology for Primary Health Care Management	3 Credits
ADPM	663	Universal Health Coverage for Primary Health Care Management	2 Credits
ADPM	671	Seminar in Primary Health Care Management	1 Credits

Elective course not less than 9 Credits

			Credits (lecture – practice – self-study)
ADPM	613	Health Economics	2 Credits
ADPM	640	Strategic Purchasing for Universal Health Coverage	2 Credits
ADPM	641	Health Providers in Health Systems	2 Credits
ADPM	642	Health Financing for Social Health Protection	2 Credits
ADPM	643	Multisectoral Actions and Policies for Health	3 Credits
ADPM	644	Self-Care and Health Promotion: A Primary Health Care Approach	3 Credits
ADPM	645	One Health and Environmental Health in Primary Health Care	3 Credits
ADPM	646	Social and Cultural Perspectives and Politics in Primary Health Care	3 Credits
ADPM	647	Health and Service Data for Decision-Making and Evidence Informed Policy	3 Credits
ADPM	648	Management of Human Resources for Primary Health Care	3 Credits
ADPM	649	Effective Communication and Management of Training Program for Primary Health Care Managers	3 Credits
ADPM	650	Sufficiency Economy Philosophy for Primary Health Care Management	3 Credits
ADPM	651	Primary Health Care for Aging Society	3 Credits
ADPM	652	Practicum in Primary Health Care Management	3 Credits
ADPM	653	Practicum in Social Health Protection	3 Credits
ADPM	654	Digital Health and Innovation for Primary Health Care Management	3 Credits
ADPM	661	Health Leadership and Change Management for Primary Health Care Manager	3 Credits
ADPM	664	Applied Statistics for Primary Health Care Research	3 Credits
ADPM	665	Field Study	2 Credits

Grand total not less than 36 Credits

8. Graduation requirements:

- 1) Total time of study should not exceed the study plan.
- 2) Students must complete courses as stated in the curriculum, at least 24 credits of course work with a minimum CUM-GPA of 3.00 and thesis (12 credits).
- 3) Students must meet the English Competence Standard of Graduate Students, Mahidol University defined by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.
- 4) Students must participate in skill development activities of the Graduate Studies, Mahidol University
- 5) Students must submit, present theses, pass the public oral thesis defense and approve by the thesis examination committee which was appointed by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.
- 6) Parts of the thesis required to be published or accepted in national or international academic databased journal according to the announcement of the office of higher education commission or present in international conference with proceeding according to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Mahidol University.

9. Applicants qualifications

All applicants must fulfill the following:

- Hold a M.D., D.D.S., D.V.M. or co-medical science degree from an accredited institution;
- Have extensive working in health-related experience at least 2 years;
- Certificate of good health
- English test certificate (according to the English Proficiency requirements: IELTS 5.0, TOEFL-iBT 64, MU GRAD Plus 70, MU ELT 84)

10. Document required:

- Academic transcript
- English proficiency test certificate
- CV

- Recommendation letters
- A draft of the purpose research project (approximately 3-5 pages)

11. Contacts

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