PH-LEADER PROGRAM APPLICATION:
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

The Public Health Leadership and Implementation Academy for NCDs is a highly competitive, executive education-style program for mid-career public health scientists and professionals. Participants in this program will develop skills in designing and evaluating chronic disease programs and policies, and in leadership.

This form IS NOT a letter of recommendation; it serves to ensure that department heads and supervisors are aware of the time commitment involved in the program and that they agree in advance to support the applicant's participation if selected.

RE: PH-LEADER Applicant (name):

Time Commitment:
Trainees selected to participate will remain in their current positions (in-service) while participating in the program. There is no stipend or salary support for participants. In order to participate in this program, trainees are required to attend the activities below during the training year. The participant will require time off from regular work to participate in some of these activities; time required may vary from month to month.

- Travel to Atlanta, USA for the period of 27 July - 12 August 2016 (full-time during the travel period).
- Participate in monthly webinars on Saturdays.
- Conduct a small research project under the guidance of a mentor (1 September 2016 - 1 April 2017). This project most likely will be related to a work project and of direct benefit to the applicant's home organization.

Benefit to the Organization:
If this applicant is selected to participate in the program, he/she will gain the following:

- Applied skills in NCD prevention and control;
- A deeper understanding of leadership as it relates to health science;
- An understanding of health systems dynamics;
- Experience and insights in training and mentoring others;
- Experience planning and implementing a small project under the guidance of an expert mentor, - An international professional network of specialists focusing on NCDs.

Dear PH-LEADER Selection Committee:

The above mentioned member of my institution has applied to participate in the PH-LEADER program for the period of 01 June 2016 - 30 April 2017. This document serves to indicate that I agree in advance for the candidate to participate, and I understand the following about this program:

- The time commitment required of program participants, and,
- What I can expect to gain from the applicant's participation if she/he is selected.

By entering my name below, I acknowledge that I understand the time commitment and the potential benefit to our institution if this applicant is selected to participate in this program, and agree support him/her in this endeavor.

Department Head/Supervisor Name:

Position:

E-mail address: Date: