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CREDES, INVOLVED IN A PUBLIC HEALTH CONSORTIUM TO SUPPORT RESOURCE-CONSTRAINED COUNTRIES IN THE RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 CRISIS

CREDES joins three organisations (Epiconcept Group, an internationally recognised stakeholder that specialises in epidemiology, e-health and data science, the CHMP, Centre Humanitaire des Métiers de la Pharmacie (Humanitarian Centre for Pharmaceutical Professions), a non-profit association with pharmaceutical and health products expertise, and IQLS, Integrated Quality Laboratory Services, a research, consulting and expertise office in laboratory activities) to form a consortium offering support in the response to the COVID-19 crisis in countries with limited resources and the deployment of public policies adapted to the response.

The consortium proposes strategic, technical, scientific and cross-cutting support to international donors. It covers the following components:

- The organization of the hospital care offer and the strengthening of the health system. Setting up mobile detection units and quarantine solutions for all suspected cases, capacity building for actors involved in the management of health emergencies.
- Support for public health actors, particularly with regard to the organisation of healthcare provision across the entire public/private healthcare pyramid.
- Support for laboratory networks and systems: mechanisms for coordinating and monitoring laboratories with the virological and serological diagnosis of COVID-19, organization of reference laboratories, etc
- Pharmaceutical and health product policy, management and supply (support for the development of regional plans for a pharmaceutical response to pandemics, support for the industrialization of the sector and implementation of an independence strategy, etc.)
- Intervention epidemiology and operational research: support for the implementation of investigation and research protocols, data analysis and interpretation ; The implementation of innovative technological and digital solutions (in particular via patient tracking and contact cases to collect data in real time and report cases via internet or smartphone);
 Technical support for the integration of gender and human rights in the implementation of the crisis response (in the implementation of containment strategies and exit and deconfinement plans).

EIGHT LEVERS FOR A CROSS-CUTTING, INTEGRATED AND INCLUSIVE SERVICE OFFER:



AN OFFER ADAPTED TO THE CHALLENGES OF THE HEALTH CRISIS

Reaffirmed as a "public health emergency of international concern" by the Emergency committee of the World Health Organization (WHO) on 1 May 2020, coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is a major challenge for a large majority of States, both cyclically and structurally. The disease gives rise to four major challenges: personal protective equipment for healthcare workers, the provision of qualified human resources for the management of severe cases of COVID-19, the absorption capacity of medical infrastructures and the availability of tests for detection.

The CREDES / Epiconcept Group / IQLS / CHMP consortium proposes to consolidate the cross-cutting aspects of their response to COVID-19 and to strengthen health systems, while taking into account environmental and social determinants within a "One Health" / "Une seule Santé" approach and global public health response.

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