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**SUBJECT: Participation of Selected Health Staff from Centers for Health
Development and Local Government Units to the Training of
Trainers for Programmatic Management of Drug Resistant TB on
June 1 to 5, 2009 at Aloha Hotel in Manila.**

The National Tuberculosis Control Program of the Department of Health (DOH) in coordination with the Tropical Disease Foundation is scaling-up the implementation of Programmatic Management of Drug Resistant TB (PMDT) in selected regions in 2009. Capability building of staff for new initiatives is an important aspect of the program to ensure provision of standard quality services.

In this regard we are inviting 6 to 7 participants from your region to form the Core of Trainers for PMDT. The Core of Trainers (medical NTP coordinators, nurse NTP coordinators, DOH representatives or representatives from the Training Department of the CHD) should already have undergone Basic DOTS training, willing to be trained and is willing to be involved in the training of the implementers.

Transportation expenses (land and air travel) shall be charged to PMDT component of the Global Fund while payment for food and accommodation of the participants shall be charged to the Quality DOTS component of GFATM subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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