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Dear Sir,

The World Health Organization has the pleasure of inviting you to be part of the WHO "GROWE Project" in Poland by joining the Poland Rehabilitation Workforce Task Team 2021-2022 (RWTT).

In collaboration with WHO, Poland is currently undertaking a comprehensive evaluation of the rehabilitation workforce to develop a national action plan. The evaluation follows the WHO's methodology detailed in the WHO Guide for Rehabilitation Evaluation (GROWE). The concept note attached has details on the objectives, steps, and stakeholders.

Rehabilitation has been emerging strongly in Poland over the last decade, seeing a gradual expansion of the national rehabilitation workforce. The implementation of GROWE would provide a valuable stocktake of the state of the rehabilitation workforce in Poland, identify key areas for action and stimulate further health system strengthening for rehabilitation.

The WHO Rehabilitation Programme will closely support the evaluation and cover costs. WHO GROWE project officer, Weronika Krzepkowska, will implement and lead the data collection and analysis through the evaluation process. The WHO project officer will liaise with the Rehabilitation Workforce Task Team, which includes a representative group of rehabilitation professionals.

The **RWTT** advises and contributes to the data collection, consensus building, data validation, and forming conclusions and recommendations. Beyond the evaluation, the Rehabilitation Workforce Task Team would be key to successfully implementing identified actions.

Implementing GROWE is highly participatory; the RWTT Members should commit to participate in two or three WHO online workshops and contribute sufficient time to complete analysis The first online workshop will be held on 21 September (in the morning, English/Polish), and we would appreciate it if you could SAVE-THE-DATE. We will send further details shortly.

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Your knowledge and expertise are unquestionably valuable, and your contribution is crucial to the **success** of the GROWE implementation in Poland. Therefore, we extend an invitation to join the Poland Rehabilitation Workforce Task Team for GROWE. A detailed Terms of Reference is attached.

We are looking forward to welcoming you as a Member of the Poland Rehabilitation Workforce Task Team 2021-2022. Your participation will greatly assist in strengthening the rehabilitation workforce and, subsequently, improving public health. We would appreciate responding to eurowhopol@who.int with cc to krzepkowskaw@who.int by 25 August 2021.

Yours sincerely

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