The Republic of South Sudan



September 11, 2017

All non-governmental organisations operating in Health Sector, Republic of South Sudan Dear all,

RE: <u>DEADLINE FOR SIGNING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH</u>

The Directorate of International Health and Coordination, Ministry of Health, Republic of South Sudan has noted with concern that some non-governmental organisations (NGOs) operating in health sector in South Sudan are running health and health-related services without or with expired Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ministry of Health.

The laws of the Republic of South Sudan require that all NGOs must first register with the South Sudan Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (SSRC) and sign MOU with the Ministry of Health before engaging in health service activities in the country.

In the light of this deviation from the laws, all the NGOs operating under health sector in the Republic of South Sudan are therefore asked to submit their applications to the Directorate of International Health and Coordination effective September 11, 2017 and commence the process leading to signing of MOU with the National Ministry of Health. The deadline for the signing of MOU is December 15, 2017.

As reminder, valid MOU is legal requirement for the processing and issuance of work permits to expatriates and/or international employees working for the NGOs. NGOs that will miss signing MOUs with the Ministry of Health will be practicing health services illegally and their expatriates/international employees shall not be granted work permits.

To avoid inconveniences, NGOs are advised to act immediately and submit applications on time.

Yours sincerely,

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