



MOST OUTSTANDING TROPMED ALUMNI 2013



Name : Dr. Leonard I Ortega

Trop Med Course Attended : DTM & H (Bangkok), 1990

MSc (Medical Epidemiology), 1992

Present status : Regional Advisor, Malaria,

WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia (WHO SEARO)

Qualifications

1993 - 1994 WHO-TDR Malaria field research, Ghana

1991 - 1992 MSc in Medical Epidemiology, Mahidol University, Thailand

1990 DTM & H, Mahidol University, Thailand

1980 - 1984 MD, Far Eastern University - Dr Nicanor Peyes Medical Foundation, Philippines

1976 - 1980 BS (Medical Technology), Far Eastern University - Dr Nicanor Peyes Medical Foundation, Philippines

Training Personnel Management, Blood Banking, Rural Health Practice, Malariology, Field Research, Program for Executive Development, Research Project Management, Planning and Budgeting, Community Empowerment, Negotiations and Conflict Resolution Media Communications, Pre-deployment Course in Public Health Emergency, High Impact Presentation

Professional Achievements

2011 - Present Regional Advisor, Malaria, WHO SEARO

2009 - 2010 Acting WHO Representative to Myanmar

2009 - 2010 Medical Officer, WHO Myanmar

1999 - 2002 Technical Officer, Roll Back Malaria Department, WHO HQs

1996 - 1999 Division Chief and Officer - in - Charge, Malaria Control Service, Department of Health, Philippines

1992 - 1996 Section Chief, Epidemiology Research, Malaria Control Service, Department of Health

1990 - 1992 Malarialogist, Malaria Control Service, Department of Health

1989 Malarialogist, Provincial Health Office, Rizal, Philippines

1988 Clinical Officer, Research Institute of Tropical Medicine, Metro Manila

1987 - 1988 Medical Officer I and Executive Officer, Medical Hospital, Burunga, Aklan, Philippines

1987 (Jan - Jun) Rural Health Practice, Rural Health Unit, Sagay, Negros Occidental, Philippines

Professional Leadership Appointments

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Social Contributions

A member of various organizations that promotes professional growth and community welfare such as:

- Philippines Medical Association, Aklan Medical Society, Philippines Public Health Association, Philippines Society of Epidemiology, Philippine Society of Microbiology and Infectious diseases, FEU Alumni Society.
- Active involvement in the well being of his birthplace through the Catholic Association and parents teachers association.
- President of homeowners association.
- Lifetime member of Myanmar Medical Association.
- Supporting NGO in Myanmar that provides services for retired/elderly, doctors who have no means to support themselves.
- President, Filipino Association in Myanmar.
- The biggest contributions to society are through his work in public health in the Philippines, Myanmar, other countries [in Asia - Pacific, and Africa through WHO.]

Awards/Honors

Obtaining 87.75% rating and placing 1^{7th} place in the Medical Board Examination which were honored by the Faculty and Board of Trustees, Far Eastern University - Dr Nicanor Peyes Medical Foundation and FEU-MRMF Medical Alumni Society.

Plaque of appreciations for his contributions to malaria control from local Governments of Agusan del Sur, Puerto Princess City, Bongao, Tawi-tawi, Jolo, Sulu and other municipalities in the Philippines.

The he honored for his work in supporting malaria projects of the Myanmar Council of Churches, Myanmar Medical Association, Department of Medical Research (Myanmar) and National Academy of Vector Borne Disease (India).

Publications

50 publications, research reports and selected presentations.

