

Curriculum Vitae (CV) FOR:

Professor. Thamer Kadum Yousif Alhilfi

MBChB/FICMS/MHPE/FFPH/DPH

### Skills and Abilities

- Proven leadership and management capacity, evidenced by appointment to leadership roles within many high-ranking Iraqi health organizations.
- Senior-level management experience managing large numbers of staff/counterparts for USAID-funded project.
- Extensive knowledge of research methods, quality improvement, clinical service delivery, accreditation mechanisms, and HIV/AIDS and TB program implementation.
- Excellent written and verbal communication and interpersonal skills.

### Education:

MBCChB. General Medicine & Surgery.(1986)

Diploma in Community Medicine:  
Baghdad University/College of  
medicine. (1991)

Iraqi board community medicine  
/Medical College of Baghdad University  
(1997)

Master Degree in Medical  
Education/University of Maastricht 2006

Fellow Ship Through Distinctions –  
FFPH(Royal College /UK)-2011

### Language:

Fluent: Arabic, English and French

### Additional Training/Coursework:

- Master Trainer (Apt association) for primary health care October (2003)
- TOT/Primary health care (2003)
- EBM (Evidence Based Medicine) 2004 Kingdom of Bahrain
- Communicable disease control 1997.
- Emergency (disasters) for directors of the hospitals, 2000
- PHC (Primary health care improvement/workshop)/WHO/2004
- Challenges in PHC conference/United Arab Emirate/21-23/Abu Dhabi

### Executive summary:

- **Senior National Professional Officer /OIC/WHO-Baghdad office** providing support to the project team in Baghdad for achievement of the objectives of I-PSM and roadmap for modernization of health sector in Iraq ,in addition to providing technical support to NCD(including mental health and injuries program, Provide support to the project team in Baghdad for achievement of the objectives of I-PSM and the roadmap for modernization of health sector in Iraq as well as manage the day-to-day work related to project implementation. , Support the development and ensure effective implementation of the project work plan by collecting and analyzing information on problems faced in IPSM and recommend effective and timely solutions, Coordinate regularly with members of the Modernization Unit in MOH and the Ministerial Advisory Committee and other national stakeholders including national committees, sub committees and taskforces, to ensure harmonization in activities of I-PSM ,Provide technical support to NCD (including mental health and injuries program) by working closely with the government counterparts ,Represent WHO in meetings with senior government officials as well as multi-lateral and bi- lateral agencies, advocate and promote WHO program goals and objectives, and communicate with major partners on organizational policies , Prepare and deliver periodic reports to the Program Manager on the progress in activities of IPSM in the Health sector , Identify and contribute to the recruitment of qualified specialized expertise in various aspects of I-PSM as needed; and provide support to the missions of external experts , Contribute to implementing program work plans, monitor compliance and provide training, support and guidance to the program team especially in the area of PHC in order to meet objectives , Maintain regular working relations in related areas of Health system particularly at PHC level with Government officials, stakeholders, UN agencies and NGO's to ensure better coordination and program implementation , Undertake oversight field visits and reviews to monitor and evaluate implementation, identify bottlenecks, propose and authorize remedial action in the field related to I-PSM, NCD and PHC programs. Propose and decide on alternative courses of action to accelerate/improve service delivery and ensure capacity building and program sustainability , Facilitate the implementation of JPRM by periodically reviewing the programmatic activities with program managers and WHO Technical Officers

- Promotion of scientific research /Egyptian society 1st conference 2006
- UNDP Global fund workshop 2007
- WHO workshop on improving family training program/ 2007
- John Hopkins University Training courses (17 courses) on leadership. Management ,epidemiology ,Research methodology, epidemiology beyond basics, communication skills ,media ,NCD,CD and HIV/AIDS advanced course.-2008

### Employment History

#### **University Research Co., LLC , USAID/Primary Health Care Project in Iraq**

- **Acting Chief of Party and Deputy Chief of Party** - Dr. Thamer Kadhum, MD, PhD, is an Iraqi public health professional with more than 25 years of experience working with the Iraqi Ministry of Health on initiatives related to primary health care, family medicine, health systems strengthening, research and policy, quality improvement, tuberculosis, and HIV/AIDS. Dr. Thamer has previously worked as a Professor of Community Medicine at the Baghdad University Alkindy College of Medicine, and has served on numerous high-ranking committees within the Iraqi MoH, including as a member of the National Iraq Accreditation Committee for MoH/Hospitals and Health Accreditation, the Iraqi National Medical Association, the Iraqi National Medical Education and Health Education Committee, and the Steering Committee of the CCM for UNDP/Global Fund. Since 2011, Dr. Thamer has worked with the USAID/Primary Health Care Project in Iraq, first as Research Advisor and more recently as Director of Quality Clinical Care, where he was responsible for managing and mobilizing PHCPI staff to collaborate with MoH counterparts to update/revised primary health care treatment guidelines and develop quality improvement, supervision, and referral systems for primary health care clinics. Dr. Thamer is fluent in Arabic, English, and French.
- **Director of Quality Clinical Care November - 2012**
  - Provided overall leadership for project activities under Component 2 (Delivery of Evidence-Based, Quality Primary Health Care Services).
  - Provided oversight and direction to full time technical advisors within the Component area and facilitated sharing of information and collaboration across the project teams.
  - Supported knowledge management, M&E, capacity building activities, and timely delivery of project deliverables for Component 2 and provided direct support to MoH counterparts throughout Iraq.
- **Research Advisor - December 2011 – November 2012**
  - Worked with MoH to establish a project research agenda that is supportive of the PHC goals and objectives;
  - In consultation with the MoH and other key stakeholders, established research priorities covering critical programmatic and policy issues;
  - Worked with local universities/research institutions in carrying out research in PHC related areas;
  - Assisted the MoH to select and produce 2 studies evaluating the effectiveness of innovative models for primary care service delivery in Iraq the effectiveness of quality improvement activities in Iraq.

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### **Additional Professional Experience**

- Consultancy services to WFP for Capacity Building in HIV/AIDS-Dec 2010 to Feb 2011.
- Consultancy services/WR/Sudan/Writing DOTs/TB operational guideline in Emergency and Transitional areas (Darfur/kordhofan)/February-March 2011.
- Consultancy for UNESCO /Situation Analysis on the Educational Sector Response to HIV and AIDS in the Arab Region/Iraq/2010-2011
- Executive Director of Iraqi Anti TB society and Lung Disease./2010
- Vice President of Iraqi CCM(Community Coordinated Mechanism)/2010
- Member and organizer of Iraqi National Committee for setting standards of Hospitals and PHCC./2010
- World Family Medicine Journal Editorial Board./2010
- Technical consultant /Medical education for the WHO/Iraq/2008-2011.
- Senior Project manager for setting projects and programs/International Medical CORPR
- Director of Department of Family and Community Medicine, Al Kindy College of Medicine/MOHE /2007-2011.
- Director of Accreditation and QA unit, Al Kindy College of Medicine, University of Baghdad since 2006.
- Reporter of Iraqi Deans of Medical Colleges Committee/2008
- Reporter of Iraqi national accreditation committee/2008
- Member of leading committee for CCM (Country Coordinated Mechanism)/2009
- Iraqi steering committee for implementing the global fund program about Iraqi activities related to (Malaria, Aids and Tuberculosis)./2009
- Director of Health for all Centers and Supervisor in civil society affairs related to medical aspects and women rights.

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### **Medical Awards**

- Middle East Doctor of the Year 2006/Awarded by Middle East Journal of Family Medicine (MEJFM) /January 2007.
  - Fellowship Degree through Distinction (FFPH, Royal College/London/2011)
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#### Middle East Doctor of the Year



The Middle East Journal of Family Medicine would like to congratulate our 2006 winner and invite nominations for our 2007 award. Doctors are welcome to nominate themselves or their colleagues. Please provide 100 words (and colour photo if possible) outlining why you or your candidate should be chosen. The winner will receive a certificate and substantial prize and will be selected by the Editorial Board.

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#### Published Research:

1. Thamer Kadum Yousif Al Hilfi, Internal Self –Assessment study for medical education program and accreditation process. Journal of advances in Medical education and professionalism (J Adv. Med and Prof.2013; 1(1):7-20.
2. Thamer Kadum Al Hilfi ,Riyadh Lafta ,Gilbert Burnham, Health services in Iraq .www.the lancet.com vol381 March 16 2013(939-948)
3. Thamer Kadum Al Hilfi ,looking to a healthier Iraq ,www.thelancet.com vol 381 March 16 2013: 897
4. Thamer al Hilfy etal,Global competencies in Family Medicine, World Family Medicine Journal, July 2010,vol. 8,issue 6:3-15
5. Thamer Kadum Yousif,etal,Knowledge ,Attitude and Practice Regarding Tuberculosis: Community Based Study in Al Anbar Governorate, Iraq/Iraqi Journal of Community Medicine,October,2010,23(4):223-230
6. Thamer Kadum Yousif etal.A gender Based Approach to cardio vascular Disease Risk Factors among adults with Diabetes Mallietus.MEJFM/December ,2010,8(10):21-27
7. ) Thamer Al Hilfi etal, Perception and utilization of Primary Health Care services in Iraq: Findings from A national household survey,BMC International Health and Human Rights.2010, 10:14  
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- 9) Yousif.T.K, Estimation of BMI in Daquq district, Middle East journal of family medicine, 2006, 4(1):30-37. 15) Thamer.K .Yousif, Validity and Reliability in Measuring Health Professions Competencies for Undergraduate Medical Students, Middle East journal of Internal Medicine 2008,6(1):43-48
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  2. Guideline for Tuberculosis management among children /2012.
  3. Iraqi IATA and its Role in providing health services for IDP(Internally displaced population).2012
  4. Iraqi HIV/AIDS Humanitarian Tool Kit/ WFP/2011.
  5. Operational guideline for DOTS/TB in emergency settings (Darfur and Transitional areas)/2011.
  6. Iraqi National Accreditation Standards for PHCC/2010.
  7. Iraqi National Accreditation Standards for Hospitals/2010.
  8. Report on Human Resources in Iraq in collaboration with EMRO/2010.
  9. Report on HIV and HIV/AIDS in Iraqi educational Curriculum in collaboration of UNESCO/2010.
  10. Code of Ethics guide for medical doctors/Editorial Board/WHO 2010-2011.
  11. Global Theme issue on Poverty and Human Development Thamer K Yousif, Pocock, L A, Butt M the Challenge of Child Rights and Health On a dying Planet. /2009.
  12. Child Health in Developing Nations (Interactive CD ROM) Thamer K Yousif-2008
  13. Epidemiology of Tuberculosis in Iraq/2008/DOTS strategy/Iraqi NTP.
  14. Iraqi National Guideline against Tuberculosis/2008.
  15. Tuberculosis management/Iraqi Guideline/2007.
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