

PRE-TRAINING REPORT

Invitation Program for Leaders of Employers' Organization and Successful Former Participants [EREF] 30 Jan – 02 Feb 2023

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Palamy Pharma

Company Profile

- Established in year 2000.
- Imports more than two hundred of pharmaceutical products from several countries such as Korea, Thailand, India, Taiwan etc.
- Privately run pharmaceutical company that generates its revenue from sales of pharmaceutical products to hospitals, clinics and pharmacies.

Products

Ethical drugs, Over the counter (OTCs) drugs and health supplements.

Sales revenue

Our net sales is 2 million USD per year.





Name: Soudaphone Phonhaxa (Naomi) Country: Laos Current Position: Managing Director



Main Responsibilities related to HR

- Overseeing HR such as well-being of employees, ensuring compliance with regulations, managing budget, salary, negotiate agreements, hiring employees and employee development.
- To ensure HR programs are effective, efficient and aligned with company objectives.
- Developing and implementing HR policies



Impact of COVID-19 on Human Resource Management

- 1. Working conditions
- 2. People resourcing
- 3. Training and development
- 4. Safety and health management
- 5. Performance management



Working Conditions

- Jobs that cannot be performed from home
- Requirement of technological tools
- Skills required to operate technological tools

- Give bonus for employees that are required to be present at office
- Purchase of new IT tools for employees
- Provided training to operate IT tools



People Resourcing

- Could not conduct face to face job interviews
- Could not recruit staff due to financial challenges
- Could not come to visit the company

- Conducted online interviews via Zoom
- Virtual company visits



Training and Development

- Not all staffs are present at the same time due to work rotations
- Staff could not be sent for training
- Online training was not very effective
- Use of IT facility and distance learning tools

- All trainings were conducted online
- Provided training on how to use online platforms and tools for training



Safety and Heath Management

- Protection of employees from COVID-19
- Implementations of protection measures and guidelines
- Controlling employee's behavior is sometimes challeging
- Rapid policy change

- Develop employee's awareness about the importance to respect the measures
- Encourage employees to get vaccinated
- Provided staffs with free mask, alcohol sanitizers, gloves and other protection gear
- Pratice social distancing



Performance Management

- Assessment was impossible as employees were not working full capacity/working on-off
- Hard to accurately monitor performance

- Daily online meetings were scheduled to discuss work priorities
- Measured by KPI reported weekly by each team



Adjustments to address impacts related COVID-19

- Work from home Using online platforms such as zoom and other platforms
- Work rotations: Scheduled work rotations 50% work from home 50% at office
- Provided equipment and tools for remote working
- Provided training technological tools and remote working
- Renovating offices: Install glass partition on working desks to prevent spread of disease
- Flexible working hours for employees that have children
- Provided bonus for employees that needs to be present onsite
- Created measures and guidelines for employee saftey (Practice social distancing)
- Cut uneccessary costs
- Provided staffs with free mask, alcohol sanitizers, gloves and other protection gear
- Special leaves



Thank You

