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NHSO joins forces with NT and Bitkub team to build Thailand's national health platform on blockchain



National Telecom (NT), Bitkub World Tech and the National Health Security Office (NHSO) have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for the collaboration for studying, testing and developing new technology features and data linkage for health services.

The NHSO will provide information, policies and regulations related to the platform development while NT will provide telecoms and tech systems, such as internet network services, 4G and 5G network, cloud computing, cybersecurity and data centres.

Bitkub World Tech, a joint venture between cryptocurrency exchange operator Bitkub Capital Group Holdings Co and Thongtang Group, will support the development of digital health ID and pilot health platform, capitalising on blockchain tech.

The system will also support a pool of data involving migrant workers from neighbouring countries.

Deputy Prime Minister and Public Health Minister Anutin Charnvirakul said the collaboration is meant to support equal access to healthcare services and pave the way for the development of e-consulting, e-prescription and telemedicine.

People would be facilitated through the use of the platform, including checking their right to receive medical treatment, insurance coverage, receiving compensation and appointments for treatment.