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Her work has been recognized with many national awards such as Outstanding Officer in SARS Control and First Place for the project entitled “Development of Surveillance System in Mukdahan – Suvannakhet and Development of Geographic Information System (GIS) for Poultry Farms for Avian Influenza Prevention and Control” at the “Network Development for Zoonotic Outbreaks Preparedness and Response” Contest. In addition, Punchawee Sukbut was awarded “Outstanding and Dedicated Epidemiologist” in 2009 from the Bureau of Epidemiology and Society for Strengthening Epidemiology, Thailand. She was selected by the Thai Ministry of Public Health to be the Thai-Lao Border Coordinator and member of the working group to draft the Second Master Plan for Thai Border Health, 2012-2016. Punchawee Sukbut has been invited to speak on epidemiology, surveillance and disease control, and cross-border collaboration and communication for border health at many conferences.

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