



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT: KEMRI/PTBi-K PROJECT

The Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) and University of California San Francisco (UCSF) are collaborating in an implementation science project to decrease the burden of preterm births and associated deaths. The main activities focus on improving data use, quality improvements and capacity strengthening around intrapartum and postnatal care. The implementation is conducted in Migori County. Within the main project there are several sub studies and activities related to the main study. The project seeks to fill the following positions in the sub studies:

1. Field Coordinator ---- Job Group MR/8
2. Study Clinical Officers - Job Group MR/8

POSITION DETAILS

1. VASA Sub Study:

Verbal Autopsy and Social Autopsy (VASA) study seeks to determine causes and patterns of death among preterm neonates in Migori County. The study will be nested within the ongoing Preterm Birth Initiative in Migori. The project seeks to fill the position of a field coordinator: -

Ref: PTBI-Kenya Vac/VASA/1/2018

Position: Field Coordinator (1 Position)

Location: Migori County

Reports to: Project Manager

Duration: 8 months – Not renewable

Job Description

We would like to hire 1 Field coordinator to coordinate activities for the PTBI-VASA project. He /She will be involved in overall coordination of the sub-study as follows:

Key Responsibilities and Accountability:

- Develop, maintain and supervise all VASA study activities.
- Obtain informed consent form participants ensuring that the process is conducted ethically and properly documented.
- Conduct quantitative and qualitative interviews in a confidential manner.
- Write brief reports and expand notes following each interview.
- Maintain adequate records of interviews conducted and regular monitor pending interviews.
- Provide psychosocial support of the participants
- Assist with linkage to referral services as required.
- Address on-site challenges raised by the participants and staff
- Prepare monthly progress reports to present to the study team
- Participate in staff meeting sharing information for effective program coordination and planning.
- Performs other duties assigned by the supervisor in related to with the position and consistent with the study

Qualification and Experience Requirements:

- Diploma in Nursing, Social Sciences, Clinical Medicine or related field.
- Minimum of 3-years' work experience in providing psychosocial counselling.
- Experience with quantitative and qualitative interviewing is an added advantage
- Excellent communication skills in English, Swahili and Dholuo is required
- Proficiency in the use of the computers is required (MS word, excel, power Point)

Additional Desirable Skills and Abilities

- Resident of the Migori County and or willing to live in Migori for the period of the study.
- Excellent counselling and interpersonal skills.
- Trustworthy empathetic and nonjudgmental
- Discrete and confidential.
- Willingness to work in a team in challenging environment
- Ability to travel as and when required
- Ability to work during odd hours which may include weekends from time to time.
- Keen and ability to work well within a team and independently with minimal supervision.
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to determine priorities and meet multiple deadlines

2. HND Sub Study:

Health and Neurodevelopment Study (HND) study seeks to determine and describe the health and neurodevelopmental status of preterm babies participating in the Preterm Birth Initiative at the ages of 6, 12, and 18 months. The study will be nested within the ongoing Preterm Birth Initiative in Migori. The project seeks to fill the position of a study Clinical Officer who will also be responsible for coordination of the study.

Ref: PTBI-Kenya Vac/HND/1/2018

Position: Study Clinical officer (1 Position)

Location: Migori County

Reports to: Project Manager

Duration: 8 months – Not renewable

Job Description

The job will involve clinical work, neurodevelopmental assessment as well as overall coordination of the sub-study as follows:

Key Responsibilities and Accountability:

- Develop, maintain and supervise all HND study activities.
- Obtain informed consent form participants ensuring that the process is conducted ethically and properly documented.
- Conduct physical exam and neurodevelopment assessment of the children participating in the study
- Provide counselling on nutritional and or on other diagnosis made.
- Assist with linkage to referral services as required.
- Address on-site challenges raised by the participants and staff
- Prepare monthly progress reports to present to the study team
- Participate in staff meeting sharing information for effective program coordination and planning.
- Performs other duties assigned by the supervisor related with the position and consistent with the study

Qualification and Experience Requirements:

- Diploma in Clinical Medicine
 - Higher Diploma in Pediatrics is an added advantage.
- Minimum of 3-years' work experience in a busy clinical area post graduating from college is required
- Experience in developmental assessment is an added advantage
- Experience with research is an added advantage
- Excellent communication skills in English, Swahili and Dholuo is required
- Proficiency in the use of the computers is required (MS word, excel, power Point)

Additional Desirable Skills and Abilities

- Willing to stay and work in Migori County for the period of the study.
- Trustworthy empathetic and nonjudgmental
- Discrete and confidential.
- Willingness to work in a team in challenging environment
- Ability to travel as and when required
- Ability to work odd hours which may include weekends from time to time.
- Keen and ability to work well within a team and independently with minimal supervision.
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to determine priorities and meet multiple deadlines

Terms of Employment

A non-renewable contract as per KEMRI scheme of service.

HOW TO APPLY:

- a) All applicants must meet each selection criteria detailed in the minimum requirements
- b) Must include a current CV with names of at least 2 referees.
- c) Must include copies of academic and professional certificates and valid licenses where applicable.
- d) Certificate of good conduct should be submitted
- e) A duly signed application letter indicating the vacancy reference with copies of documents listed above should be sent to the email address below:

To the Principal Investigator, PTBI-Kenya

Email: kenyaptbiteam@gmail.com

- f) APPLICANTS MUST ALSO FILL AN ON LINE APPLICATION FORM ON THE LINK GIVEN BELOW:

<https://goo.gl/forms/GT7DG5KYtbuRJvc72>

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 28th of May 2018

KEMRI IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER COMMITTED TO DIVERSITY. PERSONS WITH DISABILITY, WOMEN, YOUTH AND THOSE FROM MARGINALIZED AREAS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY. KEMRI DOES NOT CHARGE A FEE AT ANY STAGE OF ITS RECRUITMENT PROCESS INCLUDING APPLICATION, INTERVIEW MEETING AND PROCESSING OF OFFER LETTER. IF ASKED FOR A FEE, REPORT SUCH REQUEST IMMEDIATELY

ONLY THOSE SHORTLISTED WILL BE CONTACTED

