



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Opening date: 17-01-19

Vacancy No.K06-01-19

Program description: The KEMRI/CGHR program has expanded considerably in its research and program support activities. This program is a collaboration between Kenya Medical Research Institute, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and other organizations and donors. It involves conducting research and programmatic support for activities related to Malaria, HIV, Tuberculosis and other diseases. Due to its continued growth in the area of clinical research, the program seeks to fill the position of a Medical Officer in an epidemiological study within Malaria Branch expected to run for approx. 5 years

POSITION: Medical Officer **1 Position** **MR 10**
LOCATION: Siaya County
REPORTING: Principal Investigators

Essential Requirements

- Bachelor's Degree in Medicine and Surgery from a recognized university.
- MMed Pediatrics an added advantage and will be considered highly desirable.
- Registered by Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentist Board
- Research experience is an added advantage.

Job Description

Reporting to the Principal Investigators, the Medical Officer will be working with a team consisting of clinical officers and community interviewers who will be based at health facilities in Gem, Bondo and Siaya and recruit children into an active and passive surveillance study which runs alongside the pilot implementation of the RTS,S Malaria vaccine in the area. S/he must be flexible and work within the existing structures and standard operating procedures, in a professional and ethical manner with competence, accountability and integrity.

Desirable qualities

- Excellent writing skills.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Flexibility to work long hours including weekends and public holidays.
- Ability to take personal initiatives and working with minimal supervision.

Specific tasks and responsibilities.

The Medical officer's responsibilities shall include but not limited to the following:

- Supervision and management of the study team, clinical and research operations of the study.
- Development of study related tools (SOPs, training materials), training of the study staff.
- Medical evaluation of those children who fulfill the criteria for adverse events of special interest (AESI) and for reporting these events in a timely manner.
- Develop an in-depth understanding of the study design and goals and ensure that study is conducted in compliance with study protocols and other regulatory requirements.
- Attend to and give expert opinion on study patients in hospital and outpatient facilities.
- Conduct CMEs at the hospital and lead discussions with the clinical and nursing personnel
- Work harmoniously with non-study staff in the health facilities
- Assist with timely and accurate data collection and data entry.
- Collaborate with PI and institution to respond to any monitoring and audit findings and implement approved recommendations.
- Perform any other duties as assigned by the Study PIs.

Terms of Employment: 1-year renewable contract as per KEMRI scheme of service and a Probation period for the first 3 months.

Remuneration: Compensation is negotiable within a relevant grade, based on education levels, relevant experience and demonstrated competency. The salary scheme is based on the KEMRI scales plus supplemental amounts.

Applications should include the following:

1. Letter of Application (**Indicate Vacancy Number**)
2. Current Resume or *Curriculum Vitae* with Telephone number and e-mail address
3. Three letters of reference with contact telephone numbers
4. Copies of Academic Certificates and Transcripts

Applications are due no later than: **6th February, 2019** to: **Human Resource Manager, KEMRI/CGHR Research Program, P.O. Box 1578, Kisumu.** Or email to recruitment@kemricdc.org

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Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.