KEMRI- RCTP

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Opening Date: August 17, 2020              Closing Date: September 7, 2020

Background Information:

The Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), in collaboration with the Washington University in St. Louis (Wash U) is currently conducting research projects that include the ADAPT-I (Adaptive Strategy for Preventing and Treating Lapses of Retention in Adult HIV Care (ADAPT-R) Study and ADAPT-R-II. The ADAPT studies utilise the novel sequential multiple assignment randomized trial (SMART) approach to assess the effectiveness and cost efficiency of a family of sequential strategies to prevent initial lapses in HIV retention and to treat those that occur.

We have the below vacancy in ADAPT (Adaptive Strategy for Preventing and Treating Lapses of Retention in Adult HIV Care (AdaPT-R) Study

Position: Female Peer to Peer Mentor (1 Position) KMR/ 7 Vacancy No. FN-018-08-2020

Reports to: Research Assistant

Location: Kisumu

Duration: 1 Year Renewable Contract as per KEMRI Scheme of Service. The first 3 months is a probation period

Position summary:

The Female Peer to Peer Mentor will work closely with study participants to identify and address barriers to engagement in care, provide psychosocial support, and work resourcefully to re-engage them in HIV care.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Responsible for delivering e-navigation and in-person navigation intervention with regular contact per study protocol.
- Conduct participant recruitment, screening, informed consent, and randomization/re-randomization.
- Complete study surveys, evaluations and enter data into ODK
- Conduct home visits and follow ups for study participants
- Trace patients by phone and or in the field
- Maintain strong positive relationships with community and community leaders to facilitate tracing activities.
- Assist in defaulter tracking
- Work closely with study participants to identify and address barriers to engagement in care, provide psychosocial support, and work resourcefully to re-engage them in HIV care.
- Maintain study registers, logs, and files and make sure all study documents are kept secure and locked.
- Write reports and participate in study meetings as required.
- Engagement in adolescent support groups.

**Qualifications.**
- Must have form Four Certificate.
- Must be living with HIV and provide evidence of a CCC number in a facility of enrollment and be ready to disclose.
- Possess a desire to work compassionately with adolescent and young people
- Must be proficient in English, Swahili and local dialect spoken in the health facility catchment area.
- Leadership experience preferred (e.g. from school, church or any other).
- Age 18-27 Years.

**Applicants should attach the following:**
- Letter of Application *(Indicate Vacancy Number)* and date available to start working for the study
- Current Resume or Curriculum Vitae with Telephone number and e-mail address
- Two letters of reference with contact telephone numbers
- Copies of Academic Certificates and Transcripts
- A copy of the latest pay slip (if applicable)
- A copy of National Identity card or passport.

Applications to be done through the email *hrrctp@kemri-ucsf.org* - *(Indicate Position & Vacancy Number as the subject of your Email).*

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Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.