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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Job Summary

Position: Research Officer (Intern) -1 post

Reports To: Project Leader/Head of CDCI/Clinical Coordinator of SFRRH

Work Station: Ifakara

Apply By: March 20th, 2025

Institute Overview

Ifakara Health Institute (IHI) is a leading research organization in Africa with a strong track record in developing, testing and validating innovations for health. Driven by a core strategic mandate for research, training and services, the Institute's work now spans a wide spectrum, covering biomedical and ecological sciences, intervention studies, health-systems research, service delivery and policy translation.

Position Summary

Ifakara Health Institute seeks a qualified **Research Officer Intern** who will be responsible for evaluating, diagnosing, treating and managing patients with HIV and or TB in the in- and outpatient facilities at St. Francis Regional Referral Hospital (SFRRH). The Intern will be required to deliver improved services in collaboration with the hospital, government authorities, and health implementing partners. The Research Officer will supervise and train younger colleagues on diagnostic workup and management of patients and collaborate within the existing research platform of the Kilombero and Ulanga Antiretroviral Cohort (KIULARCO). They will also be encouraged to develop their own research agenda and research project(s).

Duties and Responsibilities

- Treat PLHIV and/or TB according to National Guidelines for Clinical Management of HIV/AIDS and TB, Standard Treatment Guidelines, and Local Guidelines.
- Supervise and train younger medical doctors and clinical officers in diagnosis and management of patients with HIV and/or TB.
- Diagnose and treat Opportunistic Infections (OI) and/or referral to appropriate departments.
- Maintain proper patient documentation, filling of case report forms (CRF) including CTC 1/2.
- Consultation and ward rounds to PLHIV admitted to different departments at SFRRH.
- Work in full agreement with the job descriptions; Chronic Diseases Clinic of Ifakara (CDCI), hospital and government (MOH) regulations.
- Provide health education and adherence counseling to PLHIV and clients attending CDCI.
- Attend all compulsory meetings such every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at CDCI and Friday 07.30-9.00 at SFRRH clinical hall.
- Attend scientific meetings at IHI.
- Contribute in planning, coordination, and performance of research activities/studies organized by IHI and other partners
- Perform any additional task assigned by the PL and/or site director of IHI and/or director general of SFRRH when necessary.

Qualification and Experience

Bachelor Degree in Medicine (MD).

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- Certificate of internship
- Registration to the Medical Council of Tanganyika (or application in progress).
- Experience in HIV/TB patients, or a certificate with relevant experience.

Skills and Competencies

- Fluent in both Swahili and English language.
- Interest in TB/HIV.
- High motivation for research activities.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and a collaborative management style.
- Capable of building and sustaining relationships with junior and senior professionals.
- Interest in training of younger staff.
- Professional attitude to work and clear work ethics.
- Planning and organizing skills.
- Result oriented.
- Adhere to IHI core values (Integrity, Initiative, Equity, Excellence, Accountability).

Remuneration

An attractive and competitive remuneration package will be offered to successful candidates as per IHI salary scales.

Equal Opportunity

IHI is an equal opportunity employer. We prohibit intentional biases or discrimination and harassment of any kind at the work place and during recruitment. All employment decisions are based solely on job requirements and individual qualifications, and our recruitment process is governed by the labour laws of Tanzania.

Mode of Application

All candidates who meet the above job requirements should send their application letters together with their detailed curriculum vitae (CVs) showing contact addresses including email, telephone/cell phone numbers and copies of academic and professional certificates to the email address below.

The **deadline** for this application is **12:00hrs (EAT) on Thursday, March 20th 2025.** All e-mail application subject lines should include: RESEARCH OFFICER INTERN - CDCI. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for interview.

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