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Job Opportunity

Date: Tuesday February 4, 2020

Post: Resource Mobilization and Advocacy Lead

Number of positions: (01)

Nature of Contract: Consultancy

Grade: AU P3/5 equivalency

Department: Africa CDC

Supervisor: Director Africa CDC

Duty Station: Addis Ababa-Ethiopia

Application deadline: February 18, 2020

Background:

The African Field Epidemiology Network (AFENET) is a non-profit organization established in 2005 with a mission to improve human health through the strengthening and expansion of applied epidemiology and laboratory capacity in partnership with Ministries of Health, Non-Governmental Organizations, international agencies, private sector and other public health agencies. AFENET has its headquarters in Kampala, Uganda with operations in more than 30 African Countries.

The African Union, established as a unique Pan African continental body, is charged with spearheading Africa's rapid integration and sustainable development by promoting unity, solidarity, cohesion and cooperation among the peoples of Africa and African States as well as developing a new partnership worldwide.

Responding to the lack of accurate data to inform health decisions across the continent, Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) has established a new Mortality Surveillance Programme at its Headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The Programme offers a range of support to Member States as they consider, advocate, resource, build or sustain their Mortality Surveillance Programmes.

Purpose of the role

The Mortality Surveillance Team based at the Africa Centre for Disease Control and Prevention is focussed on supporting Member States to gather data on the causes of death across the continent



so that it can inform decision-making on health policy that saves lives. To carry out this mission, Africa CDC works with Member States to build technical capacity on Mortality Surveillance, address bottlenecks to implementation and mobilize resources in support of their programmes.

This post provides advocacy support and expertise across all relevant funding streams – particularly international foundations and multi and bi-lateral donors, identifying donors and driving approaches both with Member States and for the wider sustainability needs of the Africa CDC. The post will be working with the Africa CDC team to bring expertise in resource mobilisation to: awareness raising and advocacy, donor identification pledge acquisition and donor retention. A key aspect of the role will be supporting the integration across these areas and communications to enable more effective fundraising outcomes.

The role is based in the Africa CDC office in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and sits in the Mortality Surveillance team, reporting to the Head of Division for Disease Intelligence and Surveillance. The recruited individual will be guided by the Long-Term Funding Model, Advocacy Strategy and supported by experienced consultants in resource mobilization and advocacy.

Summary of key functions/accountabilities:

The Resource Mobilization and Advocacy Lead will be expected to secure funding for the Programme, support the development of materials to advance awareness raising and resource mobilization by Member States, help to convene leaders and technical experts, share updates, distil messages for key audiences, prepare briefings for Ministers and their peers, among other duties.

This will include:

- Work directly with the Africa CDC to develop and deliver donor and high-level stakeholder engagement that raises awareness of the importance of Mortality Surveillance across the continent.
- Work with Member States to support the delivery of donor engagement nationally, with in-country multi and bi-lateral donors as well as international foundations.
- Run workshops and webinars for countries to support the development of fundraising efforts.
- Lead on the development of specific fundraising tools for countries and regions that enable practical support.
- Lead on the delivery of fundraising efforts to secure the future work of the Mortality Surveillance team in the Africa CDC.
- Ensure systems for the stewardship of existing donors is in place and delivering on the expectations of those donors, securing future support. This will include accurate report writing, regular briefings and updates on the programme's successes and challenges.

Other duties:

- Support the Mortality Surveillance team on aspects of internal communication, updating key documents as needed to provide up-to-date schedules for stakeholders.
- Collaborate with Member States and other relevant Africa CDC teams in the development of appropriate supporter engagement strategies and advocacy initiatives.



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- Develop relationships with internal and external experts and engage as relevant if market specific strategic opportunities arise.
- Keep in touch with industry experts and keep track of wider activities being delivered in this field.

Key deliverables

- Development and management of a pipeline of funders to deliver on the funding needs of the Mortality Surveillance programme
- Design and delivery of high-level cultivation and awareness raising events
- Creation of high-quality materials, briefings and research documents
- Develop a resource mobilization plan for Africa CDC

Profile:

Essential

- At least five years of progressively responsible and relevant professional work experience in resource mobilization, with demonstrated results in securing significant financial resources from multi and bi-lateral donors and international foundations.
- Prior strategy/management experience working with a global organization, especially working on projects of similar scale, involving multiple users and groups.
- Excellent writing skills with experience of translating complex programmes into compelling proposals.
- Strong interpersonal and communications skills with the ability to convey key messages about programmes to a variety of audiences
- Proven track record in delivering a variety of events for both resource mobilization and advocacy.
- Flexibility to travel regularly

Desirable

- Experience of developing strategic partnerships with donors and partners, collaborating on joint priorities to meet mutual goals
- Knowledge of Africa's health sector and its funders
- Comfortable in a fast-paced working environment

Educational requirements:

Advanced university degree, or a first university degree plus at least 5 additional years of demonstrated professional experience in the field of Resource mobilization or Advocacy or related fields.

Language requirement:

Proficiency in one of the African Union working languages. Knowledge of one or several other working languages would be an added advantage.



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Tenure of appointment:

The appointment will be made on a short term basis for a period of one (1) year.

How to apply:

Submit your resume, application letter, and relevant documentation to:

The Administration and HR Office email; sec@afenet.net

*ONLY successful candidates shall be contacted for an interview.

Please note that all applications should be sent online by close 5:30pm (EAT) Tuesday February 18, 2020.

Note: More details about this position can be obtained from our website: www.afenet.net