



KENYA MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Opening date: March 15, 2022

Vacancy No: CGHR/261/02/22

Project description: The Spatial repellents (SR) project is funded by UNITAID and seeks to fill the gaps for assessing spatial repellent products efficacy, deployment, and uptake strategies. In this regard, Kenya has been selected as the site for conducting the epidemiological evaluation of spatial repellent product efficacy in a high malaria transmission setting. This study will be conducted in Busia County over the next two years. The project seeks to fill the following position.

Position: Research Administrator (2 positions) KMR 6

Location: Busia County

Reporting to: Senior Research Scientist

Job description

The successful candidate will work with the Social Scientist to conduct the social science research, which is aimed at understanding the factors that could affect successful implementation of SRs at scale. Data will be gathered at the individual/household levels to better understand perceptions of and experiences with malaria control products. Social science methods will include in-depth interviews, free-listing, rating and ranking. The research will be carried out in Busia County in western Kenya.

Job description

- i. Transcribe and translate (if necessary) audio files and submit typed transcripts including interview summary notes to the study Social Scientist in a timely manner
- ii. Reviewing transcripts for any spelling, grammar or formatting errors, as well as other inconsistencies
- iii. Debrief with social science team on a regular basis
- iv. Adhering to confidentiality guidelines and respecting sensitive information
- v. Ensure that data quality assurance procedures are strictly adhered to
- vi. Participate in planning meetings and scheduled conference calls with Social Scientist and study partners
- vii. Perform any other related duties that may be assigned from time to time

Essential requirements

- i. Bachelor's degree in social sciences (preferably Anthropology or Sociology) from a recognized university
- ii. Fluency in both oral and written Ateso language
- iii. Strong written and oral communication skills in English
- iv. High proficiency with Microsoft Word
- v. Willingness to reside in field study sites

Desired qualifications

Ability to work independently, in a timely manner and under minimum supervision

Ability to maintain project schedules and work extra hours as may be required

Previous experience working with a public health research organization

Possession of a valid certificate in human subject's research protection

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.

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

All the applications to be done through **KEMRI Website** www.kemri.go.ke/e-recruitment - **E-Recruitment Portal** on or before **4th April 2022** latest 5.00 p.m.

Please visit the KEMRI web site www.kemri.go.ke for more details on the advertisement.

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Only short-listed candidates will be contacted