

Opening date: August 28, 2023

Vacancy: CGHR/371/08/23

Program description: The Family Health Unit (FHU) is a section in the Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) centre for global health research (CGHR). FHU conducts clinical and epidemiological research focussing on maternal and child health. Ongoing research conducted within FHU include the Child Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance (CHAMPS) and Pregnancy Surveillance platform studies that seek to collect high quality and accurate information on pregnancy processes, complications encountered during pregnancy, pregnancy outcomes, pregnancy risk stratification. The project seeks to fill the following position.

Position	:	Registered Nurse	J/G KMR 8	(2 positions)
Location	:	Kisumu		
Reporting to	:	Research Administrator		

Job specification:

The incumbent will be responsible for providing nursing care to study participants, conducting antenatal, perinatal and post-natal care to mother and follow up for mother and baby pair. He/she will participate in consenting study participants, taking histories, vital signs, physical examination, anthropometrics, assist in conducting deliveries and management of patients. Coordinate referral of pregnant women, enrolment and follow-ups. Collect high quality data for the study participants and (with training) conduct simple ultrasound procedures on pregnant mothers.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Provides basic triage to study participants.
- Consenting, enrolment and follow-up of study participants
- Data collection from study participants.
- (With training) perform simple ultrasound procedures on study participants during ANC visits.
- Participate in antenatal, perinatal, and post-natal care of study participants.
- Diagnose danger signs of pregnancy and do appropriate referral.
- Assist with conduct of rapid HIV testing to study participants with pre and post-test counselling.
- Maintain strict confidentiality and participants' privacy.
- Maintain adequate amounts of required clinic supplies.
- Ensures high quality accurate data collection and recording of confidential clinical data.
- Advice the study participants on availability of referral services.
- Develop in-depth understanding of the study design and goals for successful implementation and execution of the study.
- Conduct health education on reproductive health services.
- Perform any other duties as assigned by the immediate supervisor.

Person specification:

- Be in possession of diploma in nursing from a recognized institution.
- Be registered with the Nursing Council of Kenya
- Have a valid practicing license from Nursing Council of Kenya

Skills & Abilities

- Computer literacy coupled with outstanding organizational and record keeping skills
- Attention to detail.
- Ability to work in a complex multidisciplinary group, especially in MOH set-up.
- Be a team player.
- Excellent written/oral communication, interpersonal and organization skills
- Fluency in both written and spoken English and Swahili

Terms of employment

This is a one-year contract, renewable subject to availability of funds, with a probation period for the first 3 months. Salary is as per the stated KEMRI scale.

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

Interested cand qualified candidates are encouraged to Apply to Director, CGHR, P.O. Box 1578-40100, Kisumu not later than September 29, 2023. All applications must be submitted through the E-Recruitment Portal on the KEMRI Website www.kemri.go.ke/e-recruitment

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