In Search of Better Health

KENYA MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Opening date: 11th December 2023          Vacancy No. CGHR/383/10/23

Project 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 FHU section is planning to implement an ultrasound sub-study (Fetal Age and Machine Learning Initiative {FAMLI}) that aims to generate data, engineering, and analytical solutions that will contribute to the development of robust, inexpensive, widely deployable ultrasound technologies that can assess gestational age and other important obstetric conditions with minimal operator expertise. The project has the following position:

Position: Research Scientist, KMR 6 (1 Position)

Location: Kisumu and Siaya

Reporting to: Study Coordinator

a) Person Specification

For appointment to this position, a candidate must have:-

i. Bachelor’s Degree in Social Science, Public Health, Nursing, Clinical Medicine, or Community Health from a recognized institution
ii. Training in Good Clinical Practice
iii. Be willing to reside in the study site

b) Position Description

For appointment to this grade, a candidate must have: -

- Organizing and supervising the implementation of all field activities
- Work with Research Administrator to ensure adherence to study deliverables time points and support the submission of periodic reports on project status
- Developing and designing local training and capacity building of project staff in collaboration with the study coordinator
- Liaising with relevant county and sub-county health management teams, MOH departmental heads, opinion leaders and other stakeholders
- Drafting, editing and preparing correspondence, reports and other project related materials
• Supporting quality assurance/quality control processes for the study data collection procedures
• Translate study tools and documents from English into local language as necessary.

c) Key Skills and Competencies
i. Planning and Organization Skills
ii. Communication Skills
iii. Interpersonal Skills
iv. Team player

**Terms of Employment:** Employment will be on one-year renewable terms (with 3 months’ probation period) depending on availability of funds.

**Renumeration:** Salary is as per the stated KEMRI salary scale

Applications MUST include the following:

1. Letter of Application *(INDICATE VACANCY NUMBER)*
2. Current Curriculum Vitae with telephone number and e-mail address
3. Three letters of reference with contact telephone numbers and e-mail addresses
4. Copies of Certificates and Transcripts
5. Contact telephone number

All the applications must be submitted through KEMRI Website www.kemri.go.ke/e-recruitment on or before **December 31, 2023** 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*