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EMPLOYMENT/CAREER OPPORTUNITY

The Unit is an internationally recognised centre of excellence with dominant research themes in the areas of HIV and emerging infections, vaccines and immunity, and chronic diseases and cancer. Through a multidisciplinary approach, intersecting basic science, epidemiological research, social-behavioural research and the conduct of new intervention evaluation studies, the Unit contributes knowledge on changing epidemics and diseases, the evaluation of innovative health care options, treatment and prevention and the development of health policy and practice in Africa and worldwide. Following the signing of strategic transfer agreements between the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) and the Medical Research Council (MRC UK), the Unit formally joined LSHTM on 1st February 2018. The exciting new partnership will boost research capacity into current and emerging health issues in Africa and throughout the world. The Unit is based at the UVRI Entebbe campus with established outposts in Kalungu, Masaka, Wakiso and Kampala Districts. The Unit is now seeking enthusiastic and experienced individuals to fill the following position:

Nursing Officer- GPC (02 Positions)

Position Code: NOCOVID -522

Reports to: Study Coordinator

Station: Kyamulibwa

Job Purpose:

The GPC COVID-19 study nurse will be required to carry out COVID-19 study procedures in conformity with the protocol and study SOPs and ensure adherence to Good clinical and human subject protection guidelines

The Nursing Officer/ Midwife will be in charge of screening, consenting, completing CRFs, enrolling, taking blood samples and COVID-19 swabs, testing for malaria, HIV and Hb and providing medical care to study participants. She will also be required to carry out quality control and assurance of study CRFs and other records

Roles & Responsibilities

- Screen participants for eligibility into GPC COVID-19 study;
- Administer the COVID-19 study information sheets and consent forms to study participants;
- Provide relevant health education and care to the study participants including HIV/AIDS, COVID-19, Malaria and collection of oral and nasal COVID-19 swabs;
- Consent and re-consent participants the COVID-19 study and file consent forms into study consent binders;
- Enrol eligible participants the COVID-19 study;

- Collect screening samples and take them to the laboratory with accompanying laboratory forms for batching and shipping to Entebbe. Test for malaria, HIV and Hb and give out these results;
- Provide pre and post-test counselling and give study results;
- Administer GPC COVID-19 questionnaire through the REDCAP app;
- Provide comprehensive medical care including examination to study participants and refer those with complicated problems to the study clinician;
- Carry out phlebotomy and collect other enrolment and follow study samples and send them to the MRC Kyamulibwa laboratory in a timely manner with all accompanying documents as per study protocol;
- Keenly track laboratory results from both UVRI and Entebbe laboratories and take appropriate action;
- Ensure that study participants get written documentation to receive their compensation;
- Review and update clinic supplies and make weekly clinic requisitions appropriately;
- Perform QA/QC of study CRFs and ICFs before they are sent for synchronization and filing; and,
- Resolve data queries generated by the data department.

Person Specification

- Degree in nursing or Diplomas in Comprehensive nursing;
- Short courses on research methods, GCP/HSP training, counselling, registered with the Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council;
- At least 2 years' experience in a clinical and research setting, experience working with community surveys;
- Experience in Counselling;
- Experience in Phlebotomy;
- Experience in Collecting COVID-19 samples;
- Experience in Capturing data using the RED CAP app;
- Computer literacy and proficiency in office applications;
- Excellent communication skills; and,
- Good counselling skills;

How to Apply

Follow the link below to fill a form and submit your application documentation:

https://redcap.link/Nursing_Officer_GPC

Filling the form more than once will lead to automatic disqualification. High level of integrity while filling the form is required and will be considered during shortlisting.

Combine all your application documentation i.e. cover letter, CV & academic documents into one PDF document. Deadline for application is **2nd June 2022, 5:00pm.**

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interview. This position is open to Ugandan nationals only. Strictly follow the application procedure as failure to do so will lead to automatic disqualification. Only online applications through the link provided will be accepted.

You will receive a notification in your email if your application and documentation have been successfully received.

N.B: You will be required to present certified copies of your academic documentation and a certificate of good conduct before employment.

The applications should be addressed to:

The Head of Human Resources,
MRC/ UVRI and LSHTM Uganda Research Unit,
P.O. Box, 49,
Entebbe, Uganda.

Consider your application unsuccessful if not contacted within eight (8) weeks after the closing date of the advert. Any form of lobbying at any stage will lead to automatic disqualification. By submitting your personal information, you consent to the MRC/ UVRI and LSHTM Uganda Research Unit holding and using it in accordance with its recruitment policy and procedure. The Unit reserves the right to verify documents attached with the relevant awarding institutions to authenticate their validity.

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