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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:

Field Worker (01 position)

Position Code: Field Worker -222

Reports to: Project Leader

Station: Entebbe

Period: 3 months

Job Purpose:

The overall purpose is to assist the Obuntu bulamu study team in baseline data collection and transcription of study participants (children with disabilities, their parents, and teachers) in selected communities in Masaka and Wakiso districts.

Roles & Responsibilities

1. Principal Responsibilities

- Consenting study participants;
- Administer survey questions using handheld devices;
- Conduct in-depth interviews and focus group discussions;
- Transcribe and translate interview and FGD data; and,
- Code interview and FGD data using NVIVO

2. Financial Management

- Pay participants time compensations for interviews and transport refund as per study

protocol and account for these expenditures to the social science team leader.

Person Specification

- Identifies as a person with a disability or direct caretaker of a person with a disability as per LSHTM definition based on the UK Equality Act 2010
- Bachelor's degree in Social sciences, Public Health Disability Studies, Anthropology, Sociology, or Educational Sciences;
- Short courses on research methods and GCP training are an added advantage;
- At least 2 years' experience in an international Organisation or research based institute;
- Should possess at least 1 year experience in conducting qualitative interviews with children and youth with disabilities;
- Fluency in English and Luganda;
- Disability inclusive attitude;
- Ability to work well as a member of a team;
- Experience with transcribing interview data;
- Knowledge and interest in disability studies;
- Proficiency in computer use, typing skills (MS Word);
- Basic knowledge on design of qualitative research tools, data collection, handling and reporting;
- Candidates living with a disability or being a direct caretaker of a person with a disability are desired;
- Excellent communication skills (written and verbal);
- Proven ability to work independently and as part of a team;
- Proven ability to work under pressure and tight deadlines;
- Integrity and dedication

How to Apply

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

[https://redcap.link/Field Worker 222](https://redcap.link/Field_Worker_222)

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 **22nd February 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 will be accepted.

You will receive a notification in your email if your application and documentation have been successfully received. In the event you are selected as the best candidate for the job, it will be a requirement to present certified copies of academic documents prior to contracting.

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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