

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Doctors with Africa CUAMM operates in Sierra Leone since 2012, its mission is to enhance access to quality primary and secondary health care with a specific attention to maternal and child health care by using the network of CHWs as well, nutrition, communicable and non-communicable diseases' prevention, diagnostic and treatment services.

Doctors with Africa CUAMM works to save lives by combating hunger and diseases that threaten the lives of vulnerable communities, through nutrition, food security, water and sanitation, health and advocacy.

JOB TITLE : Consultant for Knowledge Attitude and Practice Survey (KAP) and Dietary

Diversity Research in 4 chiefdoms, Pujehun District

NUMBER OF CANDIDATE: one (01)

JOB LOCATION: Pujehun

JOB DURATION: 2 months

REPORTING TO: Project Manager

SUPERVISED BY: National M&E coordinator

OVERVIEW: CUAMM (Doctors with Africa) is seeking a qualified consultant to conduct a nutrition Knowledge Attitude and Practice Survey (KAP) and Dietary Diversity Research in 4 chiefdoms in Pujehun District. The aim is to assess the nutritional status of children under five and women of reproductive age, as well as the effectiveness of existing nutrition intervention in the district.

Purpose:

- To assess the current knowledge, attitudes, and practices related to nutrition among the target population (children U5 and PLW).
- To evaluate the dietary diversity and nutrient intake of children 6 – 23 months of age.
- To provide recommendations for improving nutrition programs and policies in the district.

Scope:

- Conduct a nutrition KAP survey among a representative sample of the target population.
- Collect and analyze data on dietary diversity and nutrient intake using standardized methods.
- Prepare a comprehensive report outlining the findings and recommendations.

Expected Outcomes:

- A detailed report on the nutrition KAP survey and dietary diversity research, including key findings and recommendations.
- Recommendations for improving nutrition programs and policies in Pujehun District.
- Increased awareness and understanding of nutrition issues among stakeholders in the district.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY OF CONSULTANT

In general, the consultant is responsible for the overall quality of the nutrition Knowledge Attitude and Practice Survey (KAP) and Dietary Diversity Research, ranging from data collection to final reporting.

The intending consultant will be required to prepare a draft proposal on how they intend to conduct the tasks. The consultant is expected to propose and design suitable methodologies for gathering information and delivering results on the nutrition Knowledge Attitude and Practice Survey (KAP) and Dietary Diversity Research.

Summary of specific Tasks of the consultant:

- Develop appropriate tools and instruments (starting from the developed questionnaire used for baseline) for gathering information by using electronics data collection with GPS indication. E.g. Kobo Collect, ODK etc.
- Actively participate and contribute in finalizing questionnaire that will be shared by CUAMM for the nutrition KAP study and Dietary Diversity Research.
- Conduct a thorough review of existing literature to inform the study design and analysis plan. Such as conduct a desk review (nutrition Survey reports, DHIS Reports etc.) relevant to the survey
- Present the nutrition KAP and Dietary Diversity Research Methodology to the CUAMM team.
- Undertake the data collection process, which also involves hiring & training enumerators, monitoring data quality, and ensuring adherence to ethical standards.
- Undertake consultations with key stakeholders if necessary (i.e. focus group discussions and key informant interviews)
- Analyse the collected data using appropriate statistical methods to identify trends, patterns, and associations related to knowledge, attitudes, and practices.
- Maintain regular communication with CUAMM via the M&E personnel and Project manager, provide updates on the progress, address any concerns, and ensure that the task is meeting expectations.
- Present Preliminary findings to CUAMM management, Pujehun.

- Prepare and submit a comprehensive report detailing the study findings, including recommendations for improving the nutrition project based on the nutrition KAP results and Dietary Diversity Research result.
- Incorporate comments received by CUAMM and revise and submit a final copy of the Both (Nutrition KAP and Dietary Diversity Research) reports.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Advanced degree in public health, nutrition or a related field.
- At least 5 years of experience in conducting nutrition surveys or research.
- Strong analytical and report writing skills.
- Experience working in Sierra Leone, particularly in Pujehun District, is highly desirable.
- Proven experience in conducting KAP survey or related studies.
- Good analytical skills
- Good communication and diplomacy skills
- Ability to deal with local partners
- Fluent English language skills (report should be written in English) and minimum working knowledge of Mende.
- Good experience working with international NGOs

How to apply

Interested candidates should apply by email attaching CV + cover letter and a sample of a recent survey work/report and a proposed methodology for each study (Nutrition KAP and Dietary Diversity Research), both should entail a clear work plan, to sierraleonehr@cuamm.org, or by delivering to CUAMM office– Jah Street 9A Pujehun- handing it over to the Logistic Officer, not later than **May 16th 2024**, 5:00pm.

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. Short-listed applicants will be invited for an interview at the CUAMM office in Pujehun. Please note that this application is urgent, so we kindly ask all interested candidates to send in their applications within their earliest convenience.

Female applicants are encouraged to apply.