

South Sudan Health Pooled Fund – Deputy Nutrition Specialist



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Background

The South Sudan Health Pooled Fund (HPF) began in October 2012 and is currently supported until March 2018 by the British Government's Department for International Development (DFID), the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the governments of Canada, Sweden and the European Union. A consortium led by Crown Agents and including Montrose is responsible for managing and implementing HPF.

HPF supports delivery of essential primary health care and referral health services up to county hospital level, as well as health system strengthening at the national, state, county and facility/community levels. HPF supports services in eight of South Sudan's 10 regions (former states): Eastern Equatoria, Central Equatoria, Western Equatoria, Northern Bahr el Ghazal, Western Bahr el Ghazal, Warrap, Unity and Lakes.

The key objectives of the HPF are:

1. To improve access, use, and quality of Primary Health Care (PHC) services and Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (EmONC) services.
2. To increase accountability and effectiveness by working with community mechanisms for improving health and health education.
3. To support strengthening of key stewardship functions of the South Sudan Ministry of Health (MoH) including: planning, management, coordination, supervision and monitoring at all levels, in accordance with MoH guidelines and tools.

In addition to the health services provided under HPF, from 16 November 2016, HPF2 has been building the capacity of, and support Implementing Partners (IPs) to integrate nutrition into their programmes at hospitals, primary health care and community levels. Service Provider activities under the HPF2 will have the following objectives:

1. To increase access, use and quality of health services across all levels, particularly for women, children and vulnerable groups
2. To strengthen the health system under the stewardship of the County Health Departments (CHDs)
3. To increase access to nutrition services particularly for pregnant, lactating women and children aged below five years

Purpose

The **Deputy Nutrition Specialist** will be responsible for building the capacity of and supporting the Implementing Partners (IPs) to integrate nutrition into their programmes at hospitals and other health facilities.

Specific Roles and Responsibilities

The following are the specific roles and responsibilities of the Deputy Nutrition Specialist:

Technical Support

- Provide on-the job training, mentorship and support for roll out of the new technical guidelines in the 23 Lots (CMAM, MIYCN, stabilization care, BHI, etc.)
- Provide technical support of nutrition activities supported by the HPF through implementing partners regarding child health, school health and nutrition services
 - Provide supportive field supervision of IPs' nutrition activities at community, health facility, hospital and County level.
 - Provide technical support to IPs on delivering key nutrition elements of the BPHNS at community, health facility, hospital and County level.
 - Review nutrition section of the IP Quality Technical Progress Reports and provide feedback to improve IPs performance.
 - Review nutrition sections of any emergency preparedness and response (EP&R) proposals submitted by the IPs
- Collaborate and coordinate with State level nutrition partners (including UN agencies, NGOs and project coordinators) on State specific nutrition issues.
- Provide support to the MoH on nutrition policy matters (e.g. contribution to technical working groups)
- Organise a best practice workshop about integration of nutrition services into health facilities, in collaboration with MOH and the nutrition cluster
- Prepare best practices/lessons learnt/success stories about integrated nutrition services
- Represent HPF at the relevant technical and coordination meetings
- Support HPF report writing, work planning and budgeting as required
- Additional responsibilities as directed by the Nutrition Specialist
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General Management Responsibilities

- Represent HPF at the relevant technical meetings
- Support HPF report writing, work planning and budgeting as required
- Support annual HPF conference to share experiences & lessons learnt
- Additional responsibilities as directed by the Nutrition Specialist

Applications

Interested individuals are invited to submit their CVs clearly demonstrating their experience in the above criteria for consideration along with details of their availability Only short listed applicants will be contacted.

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The closing date for applications is **22nd December 2017** only short-listed candidates will be contacted.