



Initiative for Peace Communication Association

Building Peace through peaceful communication

JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Job Title: Psychosocial Support Officer (one)

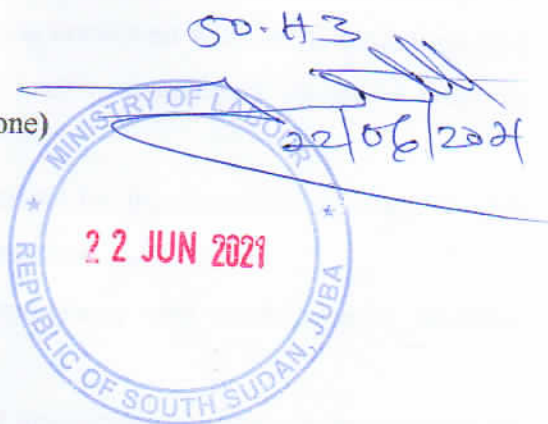
Duration: Six Months (6) (renewable)

Direct supervisor: Programme manager

Job location: Wau

Starting date: 22nd June 2021

Closing date: 12th July 2021



Summary of the position
Organization description <p>Initiative for Peace Communication Association (IPCA) was established in 2010, It is one of the largest and fast growing indigenous humanitarian, peace and development organizations in South Sudan. IPCA thematic areas are Women Empowerment and Protection, Peace-Building and Conflict Mitigation, Access to Justice and Rule of Law, Child Protection and Education, Food Security and Livelihood and Water and Sanitation Hygiene (WASH). IPCA operates in Six states of South Sudan namely Central Equatorial, western Equatorial, Jonglei, western Bahr el Ghazal, Lakes, and Eastern Equatorial State, IPCA is working in partnership with local and international organizations.</p>

Purpose of the Position

The Psychosocial support officer will be responsible for planning and implementing the mental health and psychosocial needs assessment services as aligned to the vision, mission of the organization (IPCA). They will also work closely with the program team, technical coordinator, pro- bono lawyer and the senior management team to ensure that the objectives of the project are successfully achieved

Main responsibilities

- Conduct/participate in Mental Health and Psychosocial needs assessment among the affected populations. This will include assessments consistent with IASC guidelines and Mental Health Psychosocial WHO assessment toolkit, at different stages of program planning and implementation.
- Join or initiate interagency coordination mechanisms for the provision of mental health and psychosocial support and share relevant information.
- Develop and implement ideas for psychosocial programs with youth, women, children and vulnerable groups in target sites,
- Hold focus group discussions and key informant interviews with the refugee population in each of these groups in each site in order to assess needs, develop projects and identify project leaders to be national psychosocial officers.
- Support psychosocial activities by provision of technical support, trainings, materials and supplies to the national psychosocial officers.
- Train primary health care providers and first responders on key principles of psychological first aid (PFA) and provide orientation on relevant sheets within the IASC MHPSS guidelines (1/2 day) in target sites.
- Identify and train national PFA trainers through a PFA training of trainers program.
- Set up, monitor and develop Youth Empowerment Program (YEP), Child Friendly Space (CFS) and community based Psychosocial (PSS) activities in target sites, providing capacity building and field supervision for national staff on an ongoing basis.
- You will also be assigned other relevant roles and responsibilities by your line manager.

Requirements

Education

- A minimum of a degree with 3 years or diploma with 5 years' of work experience in psychology and other social sciences

Knowledge and experience

- Knowledge of computer application preferably (MS word, excel PowerPoint etc.)

Other Valued criteria:



- Strong ability in offering psychosocial support services to the people who are psychological disturbed.
- Ability to work in every IPCA's field locations.
- Strong problem solving and communication skills
- A demonstrated ability to Multi - task, prioritize and process information in to action.
- Fluency in English (Oral and written). Knowledge of Arabic language is an additional advantage.
- The applicant should be a **South Sudanese residing in Wau.**

HOW TO APPLY

Kindly send us your cover letter and updated CV in English to ipcarecruitment@gmail.com or hard copies to Wau field office locating in Hai Amarat, Eden plaza Second floor.

Take note that only shortlisted candidates will be invited for the interview and Human Resource department will continue to screen applications upon receipt due to the urgency of the position.

