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JOB ADVERTISEMENT 2021

**Position:** Food Consumption Score Measurement in Maridi & Mundri West Counties (Consultancy)  
**Job location:** Maridi and Mundri West Counties, Western Equatoria State, South Sudan  
**Reporting relations:** Consortium Coordinator (Nodding Syndrome Alliance)  
**Closing Date:** 28<sup>th</sup> October 2021

**About Amref:**

Amref Health Africa is the largest indigenous health development non-governmental organization based in Africa. Working with and through African communities, health systems and governments, Amref Health Africa aims to close the gap that prevents people from accessing their basic right to health. Amref Health Africa is headquartered in Nairobi, and has programs in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Ethiopia, South Sudan, Southern Africa and West Africa. For more information visit our website [www.amref.org](http://www.amref.org)

Amref Health Africa is leading the implementation of the "Nodding Syndrome Alliance" project, an initiative carried out in partnership with other 4 international and national NGOs in Western and Central Equatoria in response to the multi-sectoral needs of people living with epilepsy, Nodding Syndrome, as well as their families and communities. One of the project components aims at improving food security and livelihood among households of people with epilepsy / Nodding Syndrome (PWE/NS), through training on best agricultural practices as well as the distribution of agricultural tools and inputs. In early 2021, the project engaged a consultant to measure the Food Consumption Score among the targeted beneficiaries in order to produce baseline data on food security. The project now seeks to engage a consultant to carry out the same measurement (FCS) as end-line assessment.

**Purpose of the Job:**

To assess the improvement (or lack of) of the food security status of targeted beneficiaries in Maridi and Mundri West Counties.

**Project Specific Objectives:**

1. To measure the extent of change in the food security status of targeted households through the calculation of the Food Consumption Score.
2. To identify enabling and disabling factors that have either contributed or hindered improvement of the food security status among targeted households, including the degree of active participation of PWE/NS in food security activities within the households.

**General Tasks of the Consultant:**

Under the direct supervision of the NSA Consortium Coordinator, the consultant is expected to:

- i. Further elaborate the assessment methodology to adequately measure FCSs, in compliance with WFP relevant standards and guidelines and in consultation with relevant Amref Health Africa staff. Pursuing of the above-listed





objectives might require the use of both quantitative and qualitative methods. Respondents should be randomly sampled from the list of direct beneficiaries of the project food security activities.

- ii. Design the data collection tools.
- iii. Travel to the assessment locations.
- iv. Train enumerators on the tools and the use of equipment, including field test.
- v. Review of the tools, if required.
- vi. Supervise the data collection exercise
- vii. Analyse the collected data.
- viii. Provide feedback and draft a report to Amref Health Africa.
- ix. Submit the final report (20 pages max.).

### **Expected Deliverables**

The deliverables are the following:

1. the final report that the consultant will provide at the end of the consultancy.
2. File containing Raw data set.
3. File containing Clean data set.
4. Stata Do File for both cleaning and Analysis syntaxes.
5. Key results in Excel file.



### **Job Requirements**

The consultant should demonstrate clear competencies in one or more professional backgrounds in the areas of Agriculture, Agricultural Economics, Food Science and Technology. More specifically, the consultant is expected to have:

- i. Masters' degree or equivalent in the above-mentioned or related fields of expertise.
- ii. Adequate knowledge and understanding of the functioning of FSL program more generally in South Sudan and, preferably, in Maridi and Mundri areas.
- iii. Experience in participatory appraisal activities.
- iv. Experience in conducting FCS /HHS or similar surveys.
- v. Experience in community engagement and understanding their dynamics.
- vi. Knowledgeable in project monitoring and evaluation/review activities and processes.
- vii. Experienced in statistical analysis packages such as STATA or other similar software.
- viii. Strong interpersonal skills and capacity to work with people at all levels.
- ix. Committed to work and meet the deadline as agreed by project management.
- x. Excellent English communication and writing skills.

### **Timeframe**

The expected duration of the consultancy is 13 days.

The expected start date is 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

