

CALL FOR APPLICANTS

The MENTOR Initiative (MENTOR) saves lives in emergencies through tropical disease control and then stays to help people recover from crisis with dignity. MENTOR works side by side with communities, health workers and health authorities to leave a lasting impact in various countries including South Sudan where MENTOR collaborate closely with the Ministry of Health (MoH) to prevent, control and eliminate Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD).

# **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: January 15, 2024**

Position: NTD Technical Officer

Purpose: To support MENTOR & the MoH in the implementation of NTD project in South Sudan

Duty Station: Roving; Juba & various field locations in The Upper Nile, Jonglei, Northern & Western

Bahr el Ghazal States in South Sudan.

Direct Supervisor: NTD Coordinator

Project Duration: Five (05) months

### Summary of key duties/responsibilities

- Assist the NTD Coordinator in preparing Mass Drug Administration (MDA) project microplanning at Juba/State/County level.
- Monitor progress against the annual work plan, including data collection and integration of programme indicators into DHIS2, and take corrective actions if needed.
- Collaborate with the NTD Coordinator in developing and reviewing SOPs and/or guidelines for NTD interventions and MDA campaigns for Onchocerciasis and Lymphatic Filariasis.
- Gather feedback on the SOPs, guidelines, training materials and training implementation, and make recommendations accordingly.
- Coordinate closely with the MoH and support the NTD Coordinator in forecasting and delivering drugs and other project commodities to the target locations, as well as planning and executing efficient reverse logistics.
- Work closely with the NTD and Logistic Coordinator in preparing and delivering MDA materials (dose poles, registers, IEC/BCC materials etc.) to the target counties.
- Revise and update training materials for NTD interventions, and serve as a training facilitator at various levels of the national health system when required.
- Ensure MDA data collection, cleaning, analysis and reporting to donors, and organize mop up campaigns in areas with low coverage.
- Supervise the implementation of the Coverage Evaluation Survey to ensure compliance with agreed protocols and review survey results and draft reports.

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- Participate actively in planning and conducting the survey (TAS for Lymphatic Filariasis and OEM for Onchocerciasis) with MoH and other stakeholders when needed.
- Establish and maintain good working relationships with key stakeholders, including other implementing partners, WHO, UN agencies and NGOs.
- Attend coordination meetings (National/State/NTD Sub-committees) as agreed with MENTOR NTD Coordinator/Country Director and MoH-Director for PC-NTDs.
- Support the NTD Coordinator on visits to project locations across South Sudan and effectively supervise MDA campaign delivery

#### Requirements:

- South Sudanese National with BS. or higher in Public Health or other Medical/Health Sciences related fields
- At least 3 years of relevant experience, preferably in a field-based position with an International or National NGO
- Experience in implementing Public Health program interventions in close collaboration with appropriate government structures
- Possess good technical understanding of NTDs and their treatment strategies
- Demonstrate proven technical knowledge on PC-NTDs (Onchocerciasis, Lymphatic Filariasis, Schistosomiasis, Soil Transmitted Helminthes and Trachoma)
- Work effectively in a diverse environment with minimal supervision
- Monitor budget (planned vs actual) and report any discrepancies
- Build and lead teams with good decision-making skills
- Apply Gender Equity and Social Inclusion (GESI) principles in all aspects of work
- Excellent command of Microsoft office package, command of statistical software such as Stata/R is an advantage
- Good communication skills both written and verbal proficiency in English. Arabic will be an added advantage
- Willingness and ability to travel, stay and work in difficult hard to reach field locations across South Sudan

#### How to Apply:

To apply, please send your CV, together with a cover letter and details of three professional referees (including your most recent employer) with the Subject Line "NTD Technical Officer-South Sudan" on or before 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 to the following email address: recruitment.southsudan@mentor-initiative.net

Physical delivery of application documents should be done to the following address:

The MENTOR Initiative Hamza Inn Compound, Block G Near UNOPS or NOTOS Juba-Central Equatoria State Republic of South Sudan

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## Note: Female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

MENTOR is an equal opportunity employer and value diversity at its company. We ensure the constant non-discrimination throughout our recruitment process.

MENTOR is committed to promoting diversity and gender equality within the organisation. Women candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

MENTOR applies a zero-tolerance approach to sexual exploitation, abuse, mistreatment or harassment, and other types of unethical behaviour including fraud.

MENTOR will contact previous employers of applicants to determine if they have any history of violating international standards and codes of conduct relating to such matters.



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