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JOB ADVERTISEMENT

RESEARCH AND PROGRAMME COORDINATOR (1 POST)

VACANCY REF NO. RESEARCH & PROGRAM COORD. AWEIL (MAL999970)

Organisational background

Established in 2003, Malaria Consortium is one of the world's leading non-profit organisations specialising in the comprehensive prevention, control, and treatment of malaria and other communicable diseases among vulnerable and under privileged populations. Malaria Consortium work on malaria is being increasingly integrated with other similar public health interventions for greater impact and therefore expanding our remit to include maternal, newborn and child health and neglected tropical disease interventions.

We work in Africa and Asia with communities, governments, academic institutions, and local and international organisations, to ensure effective delivery of services, which are supported by strong evidence.

Our areas of expertise include:

- disease prevention, diagnosis, and treatment
- disease control and elimination
- systems strengthening
- research, monitoring and evaluation leading to best practice.
- behaviour change communication.
- national and international advocacy and policy development

Country and project background

Malaria Consortium South Sudan has its main office in Juba. In the FY2018, South Sudan had an annual programme value of nearly \$5M and 100 staff members. Its programme areas include Boma Health Initiative, nutrition for children under five years of age, health systems management, and LLIN mass distribution. Malaria Consortium has previously engaged in the control of neglected tropical diseases and expects to rebuild this portfolio.

The Essential Health Services Project (EHSP) is funded by UNICEF and aims to support the Government of South Sudan in reducing maternal and infant mortality through the delivery of low cost, high impact essential health services to about 2 million of the population living in the former Upper Nile and Jonglei States. The EHSP is based on a county model, whereby support is provided to the county health departments for the delivery of Primary Health Care services, health system strengthening and strengthening of community ownership. Malaria Consortium is supporting the county health departments in Upper Nile lot 5 Nasir and Ulang Counties and Jonglei lot 7 Nyirol and Uror counties to roll out the Boma Health Initiative the Government of South Sudan newly adopted community health strategy to reach communities with the Basic Package of Health and Nutrition Services which is funded by UNICEF.



Malaria Consortium Seeks to Recruit: -

Job Title: Research and Programme Coordinator
Location: Aweil
Department: Program
Reports To: Country Technical Coordinator
Direct Reports: None
Indirect Reports: None
Travel involved: None.
Contract Period: 12 months.
Closing date: Closing Date 15th May 2024 at 5:30 PM

Job purpose

The purpose of the role is to lead the implementation of project and research activities on Malaria Consortium's BHI digital project in South Sudan. The research and programme Coordinator will provide technical assistance and coordinate research in the three project districts on behalf of Malaria Consortium, working closely with partners and conforming to South Sudan's health standards and norms.

Scope of work

The Research Coordinator will be responsible for leading the technical components of the BHI DIGITAL project in terms of its technical design, implementation and giving technical input. The post holder will also be accountable for liaising with internal and external technical stakeholders and managing project and research uptake activities.

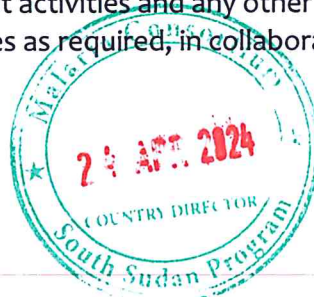
Key working relationships

The coordinator will have key working relationships with Country Technical Coordinator, Country Director, Field Coordinator, Monitoring, Evaluation Coordinator, SMC research coordinator, BHI officers, SMC Project Manager, Finance Officer and HR focal point. The post will also interact with other Malaria Consortium staff working on Malaria Consortium's global programmes, including the Digital specialist, Senior Technical Advisor, Research Advisor and Programme Director. Taking the lead on research, and implementation they will also engage with relevant external technical stakeholders.

Key accountabilities

1. Technical (40%)

- Provide technical input and day to day management on the programming, planning and implementation of all research and other projects activities as part of the MC BHI DIGITAL programme in South Sudan
- Ensure quality and rigor in the collection, management, and analysis of qualitative and quantitative data.
- Support the development and implementation of all necessary training before any research implementation, including supporting other research and MC staff as required.
- Proactively collaborate with wider Malaria Consortium's Technical team (CTC, M&E, Research Specialist, etc.), including participating in relevant community of practice (COP) meetings, capacity development activities and any other required activities
- Develop strong research concept notes as required, in collaboration with the South Sudan and UK teams.



2. Management (30%)

- Contribute to the management of all BHI project implementation and research-related resources (HR, Logistic, Finance)
- Manage the implementation the BHI digital project and research activities at field level.
- Participate in the process of procuring required resources for BHI digital projects, including hiring research assistants, supplies, and all other requirements of these projects.
- Understand and participate in relevant national research programmes and working groups as agreed with MC country team and feedback regularly to the MC South Sudan technical group on relevant **research updates and developments at a national level.**

3. Reporting (30%)

- Compile, review, and prepare relevant programme and research activity reports and ensure that they are technically appropriate, accurate and in line with programme objectives and targets.
- Document best practices and success stories for programme learning and improved programme performance.
- Work closely with the finance team to ensure timely financial reporting and assistance for audits.

Person specification

Qualifications and experience:

Essential

- MSc in Public Health, Global Health, Sociology, Anthropology, Epidemiology, Population Studies or a related social science discipline, or another post-graduate qualification with a substantial qualitative research component
- Substantial experience in social science research design, management, and implementation
- Demonstrable experience designing topic guides and carrying out qualitative interviews and/or focus group discussions.
- Demonstrable experience in transcribing and analysing qualitative data.
- Experience of building positive working relationships between NGOs and MoH
- Experience working in public health in developing countries within government, an international organisation or research institution.
- Experience in developing training materials, carrying out and supervising training.
- Experienced in applying qualitative methods of data collection and analysis.
- Familiar with South Sudan's routine HMIS

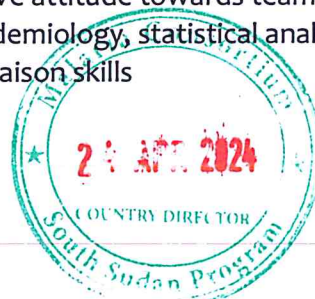
Desirable

- Experience in using quantitative and qualitative data analysis software (NVivo/MAXQDA)
- Experience of working with an INGO

Work-based skills and competencies:

Essential

- Strong leadership skills and a supportive attitude towards team members
- Excellent research technical skills (epidemiology, statistical analysis etc.)
- Excellent diplomacy and stakeholder liaison skills



- Excellent communication and presentation skills
- Good technical writing skills
- Proficient in the development of data entry programmes and in using statistical analysis software (EpiInfo, EpiData, Excel, Access, Stata)
- Fluent in both written and spoken English.
- Demonstrated ability to work both independently and as part of a team.

Application Submission Criteria:

To Apply please visit our website and apply online and submit the Application letter and CV.

www.malariaconsortium.org vacancy page.

<https://malariaconsortium.current-vacancies.com/Jobs/Advert/3468943?cid=2061>

Applications can also be submitted to Malaria Consortium Juba Office located at Goshen House opposite Ministries or at Malaria Consortium Aweil Office Along Airport Road.

This Position is open to only Qualified South Sudanese. Female candidates are encouraged to apply.

We appreciate your application; however, only short-listed candidates will be contacted. If you have not been contacted within two weeks of the closing date, we regret that your application has been unsuccessful. Please continue, however, to periodically review our website for other suitable opportunities. Thank you for your interest in Malaria Consortium.

We need to keep beneficiaries safe, so our selection process reflects our commitment to safeguarding. Malaria Consortium has a zero-tolerance approach to Abuse and exploitation of children and vulnerable Adults both within and outside the workplace.

Applicants are therefore required to read Malaria Consortium safeguarding policy and the code of Conduct before applying for this role. This is attached to the advert online.

