

### **JOB ADVERTISEMENT 2022**

Position: Consultancy to carry out Independent Coverage Survey of Mass Drug Administration (MDA) in 3 counties; 2 in Upper Nile State (UNS) and 1 in Jonglei State in South Sudan.

Job location:Selected two counties in Upper Nile State from among Maban, Longochuk, Luapiny/Nasir<br/>and Maiwut. Selected one county in Jonglie State from among Akobo, Pibor & Pochalla.

**Reporting relations:** Director of PC-NTD MoH South Sudan & Country Director, The MENTOR Initiative **Closing Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022

### About The MENTOR Initiative:

The MENTOR Initiative (MENTOR) is a "not for profit", charitable, non-governmental organization devoted to reducing death and suffering from malaria in humanitarian crises. The MENTOR Initiative is currently providing ongoing emergency support to the most vulnerable communities in Nigeria, Mozambique, Angola, the Central African Republic, Southern Chad, South Sudan, Syria and Iraq.

MENTOR in addition to implementation of malaria control and prevention and WASH project in South Sudan is also supporting The Ministry of Health (MoH) in the execution of Mass Drug Administration (MDA) campaign for treatment and subsequent elimination of two Neglected Tropical Disease; Onchoceriasis and Lymphatic Filariasis. The most recent MDA campaign has been implemented in Maban, Maiwut, Longochuk and Nasir in the Upper Nile State and Pibor, Pochalla and Akobo in Jonglei State between March & July 2022. The entry and analysis of MDA data is currently ongoing. However, the outcome of the MDA campaign will be shared with the consultant before the launch of the Post-MDA campaign.



### Purpose of the Job:

Independent coverage surveys (ICS), also commonly known as post-MDA coverage surveys OR Coverage Evaluation Survey- CES), are to be conducted after MDA implementation for the following purposes and ensuring that ethical requirements are met:

- To validate the reported MDA coverage.
- To determine why individuals did, or did not, take part in the MDA by ingesting the drug.
- To identify adverse and serious adverse events (SAEs).
- To capture information about the Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices (KAP) of community members around NTDs.
- To gather vital information on BCC, LNOB, Gender and many other aspects of programmatic implementation.

# Project Specific Objectives:

The specific objective is to conduct an ICS for the MDA against Onchoceriasis in two randomly selected counties from among the seven counties two states where the MDA campaign has recently been conducted. The implementation of ICS will strictly follow all relevant WHO guidelines, fulfil all ethical requirements and adhere to COVID-19 prevention protocols.

#### General Tasks of the Consultant:

- Under the direct supervision of the CD, the consultant/institute will be expected to:
- Elaborate the survey protocol in collaboration with MENTOR and MoH staff.
- Training of surveyors on the protocol and use of equipment, including field test.
- Field testing of the protocol and review of the protocol if required.
- Analysis of the collected data.
- Providing feedback and the draft report to MENTOR.
- Submission of the final report.

#### **Expected Deliverables**

The deliverables are the following:

- the final report that the consultant will provide at the end of the consultancy.
- File containing Raw data set.



- File containing Clean data set.
- Stata Do File for both cleaning and Analysis syntaxes.
- Key results in Excel file.

#### **Job Requirements**

The Consultant can be either an individual, a team or institute/organization. In all cases, the Consultant(s) shall be able to demonstrate:

- Excellent competency in data management and analysis, with a minimum of 10 years of relevant professional experience in data collection, monitoring and evaluation.
- Knowledge of South Sudan local context and health sector data systems, incl. NTD data.
- Competency on capacity development for data collection and management.
- Competency on using statistical software.
- Ability to analyse data and write an informative report.
- Committed to work and meet the deadlines as agreed with MENTOR.
- Previous, recent, and successful experience in conducting ICSs of Onchoceriasis-related MDAs in South Sudan would be considered a key advantage.

# Timeframe

# The expected timeframe of the consultancy is: 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022.

The Consultant will:

- Hold consultations with MENTOR CD and PC-NTD Director in Juba.
- Carry out the ICS training in the selected two counties, starting with a 3-day theory training of surveyors followed by a 2-day test of the ICS training in the field.
- The consultant will then analyze the collected data and provide the final report by 12th of September 2022.

# **Payment modalities**

The proposed terms of payment are as follows: 100% upon successful and satisfactory completion the consultancy and submission of all deliverables.



### Application

This is a challenging opportunity for dedicated and highly motivated professional(s). National candidates, including academic institutions, are encouraged to express their interest by sending,

- detailed Technical Proposal.
- detailed Financial Proposal (including all expenses separated by cost category).
- evidence of past performance of similar work.
- Curriculum Vitae of professionals to be engaged in the Consultancy.
- Detailed work schedule/plan.

The above must be addressed to the **Human Resources**, ONLY by e-mail to recruitment@mentor-initiative.net quoting the position (i.e., "Independent Coverage Survey of Mass Drug Administration in South Sudan") in the subject matter. The closing date for submitting applications is 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022. We regret that only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

The Mentor Initiative applies zero tolerance to the exploitation, sexual abuse and mistreatment of women, children and all others, and, mobilizes all its staff in the implementation of its global policy. The Mentor Initiative will contact previous employers of applicants to determine if they have had a history of violating codes of conduct relating to sexual harassment, exploitation or abuse and fraud.