



INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL CORPS

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JOB VACANCY ADVERTISEMENT

Job Title:	Psychosocial Support Officers (2 positions- 1 for Wau and 1 for Juba)
Country Program:	South Sudan
Location of Position:	Juba POC and Wau POC
Position Opened for:	South Sudanese only
Desired Start Date:	ASAP
Advertised date	July 07th, 2020
Closing Date for Applications:	July 27th, 2020

Organizational Background

International Medical Corps is a global, humanitarian, nonprofit organization dedicated to saving lives and relieving suffering through health care training and relief and development programs.

Established in 1984 by volunteer doctors and nurses, International Medical Corps is a private, voluntary, nonpolitical, nonsectarian organization. Its mission is to improve the quality of life through health interventions and related activities that build local capacity in underserved communities worldwide. By offering training and health care to local populations and medical assistance to people at highest risk, and with the flexibility to respond rapidly to emergency situations, International Medical Corps rehabilitates devastated health care systems and helps bring them back to self-reliance.

Essential Job duties / Scope of Work:

1. Job summary:

The overall scope of the work is to contribute to addressing the mental health and psychosocial well-being of the vulnerable population affected by COVID-19. The position holder will be the primary focal point for the overall multispectral integrated psychosocial support activities in the specific locations. She or he will closely liaise with the MHPSS country team in Juba to coordinate, plan and implement appropriate psychosocial activities.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Assist in integrating appropriate psychosocial support interventions in the existing health, WASH and nutrition services of IMC.



- Serve as a point of contact between IMC and other partners involved in providing response of psychosocial activities under the guidance of the MHPSS specialist.
- Conduct appropriate psychosocial needs for people in quarantine/isolation and admitted in COVID 19 facilities, including families affected with COVID-19 in line with the local/national protocols and WHO guidelines
- Work closely with other partners in the site and outside to establish and contextualize referral pathway taking physical distancing into consideration.
- Take leadership in mobilizing and organizing front line health care workers for trainings and provide Psychological First Aid (PFA) for people with significant distress and refer for clinical mental health services when required.
- Disseminate and provide positive coping strategies to different target groups, such as children, elderly and frontline health workers, people affected by COVID-19 etc. using appropriate posters and Radio talk shows where necessary.
- Collaborate and work with a team of COVID-19 responders in community engagement efforts and ensure the rights are protected and the needs of the most vulnerable persons in the community are equitably addressed.
- Collaborate with community and existing institutional structures to ensure protection of those suffering from preexisting mental illness and post exposure.
- Conduct awareness raising activities to address stigma faced by people and family affected by COVID-19, and frontline workers.
- Regularly compile information and prepare written reports as required.
- Help site management to identify the psychosocial needs of frontline workers and provide technical support and guidance as required.
- Represent International Medical Corps in local coordination structures as required.
- The incumbent **Must** maintain strict confidentiality where necessary and must demonstrate sound work ethics in performing the duties of the psychosocial support officer

Competencies & Requirements

Qualifications and skills required.

- ❖ Diploma in mental health nursing, clinical medicine; Degree in Psychology or Social work with demonstrated knowledge and experience of clinical psychology, social work in humanitarian context is an added advantage.
- ❖ Good experience and knowledge in applying Psychological First Aid, Counselling, Case management mhGAP-HIG etc.
- ❖ Ability to communicate well in Arabic/ local language and good commands in English is required
- ❖ Ability to train clinical staffs and mental health team in PFA is a plus.
- ❖ Two years' experience in the related MHPSS activities with INGO is an added advantage.

Actively promote Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) standards within IMC and amongst its beneficiaries.



If you meet the above mentioned requirements, please submit a Cover letter indicating daytime, contact numbers, copies of Covering letter, Updated CV, Academic Documents and National ID for South Sudan addressing to Human Resource Department IMC. If you are submitting your application through email, please submit to SS-Recruiting@internationalmedicalcorps.org and hand delivered applications should be submitted to Juba Head Office. Plot # 1. Block C West, 3rd Class, Nimra Talata, Near Basketball Stadium, Juba Town, Central Equatoria NB: Please indicate the title of the position that you are applying for on your application envelope.

We appreciate your Applications; however, Only Shortlisted Candidates will be contacted for interviews.

Note: The recruitment of this position will depend on the funding approval from the donor.

