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Job Title	Project Officer (Nutritionist - 01 Position)
Job Location	Nanyangacor - Kapoeta East
Reporting to	Project Manager
Expected start Date	As soon as possible
Advert starts on	28 th June 2024
Advert closes on	18 th July 2024

INTRODUCTION:

ACROSS, an International Christian organization serving South Sudan since 1972 has a well-established presence in many parts of the country and even other areas in East Africa (Kenya & Uganda). Its long-standing presence, credibility, relationships and committed staff are some of its most valuable assets. ACROSS strives to provide both development and humanitarian support (including emergency/relief, rehabilitation and development work) to local communities, internally displaced persons, refugees and other vulnerable communities to enable them to realize their purpose and value as human beings. **The work of ACROSS is guided by its Statement of Faith, Vision, Mission and Core Values.**

With its mission of *'Transforming Communities in South Sudan and beyond through a Christ-centered holistic Approach'*, ACROSS is inviting applications from academically qualified South Sudanese with extensive knowledge, experience and demonstratable skills in ensuring timely screening, referral and admission of malnourished children to the nutrition Programs at the facilities in Nanyangacor, Kuron and Lotimor HFs.

Main Job Purpose:

She/he shall be working together with the Nutrition Assistant and Home Health Hygiene promoters (HHPs) to ensure that key messaging on MIYCN/CMAM are passed to the community and promote good health seeking practices. The project officer – nutritionist will help implement the project in fulfilment of the three clusters' objectives, a) Enhance emergency food production through complementary vegetable and crop seeds and fishing and livestock support (FSL Cluster objective2). b) Contribute to reducing WASH related morbidity, and mortality in priority counties through WASH integrated with Nutrition (WASH Cluster objective), c) increase equitable access to, and utilization of, quality preventative and curative nutrition services for children, adolescents and women in the prioritized counties experiencing multiple deprivations, including high acute malnutrition rates, food insecurity, morbidity, and poor WASH conditions) Nutrition objective (South Sudan HNO 2023). The officer will be in charge of the project activities in coordination with the project manager and other stakeholders on the ground.



General Objective:

To contribute to the reduction of excessive morbidity and mortality among children, Pregnant and Lactating women due to persistent crisis as a result of long period of drought in Kapoeta East (Kauto and Lotimor Payams).

To achieve the overall goal of the project, the project officer is to ensure all WASH, peace and conflict and nutrition screenings and treatment are implemented inline of clusters' objectives in order to achieve the organization's intended goal to improve nutrition status of children, lactating and pregnant mothers in Kapoeta East – Nanyangacor.

ACROSS works in conformity to the FSL and other Cluster's objectives in rendering services in support of local and national strategies to help reduce the effect of emergencies and other factors contributing to the despair of the communities across the country. The project objective along with that of the cluster's objectives will be implemented to strengthen the nexus between peacebuilding, humanitarian response, resilience (disaster risk reduction) and development programming by distributing seeds and tools, providing trainings for basic agronomic practices, training health staff on MIYCN and other nutrition services. The FSL and Nutrition components will be implemented by doing the following activities: Training of health workers on MIYCN counselling services including sanitation and hygiene promotion and prevention of Children malnutrition as per national standards. Preseason training of HHPs, school pupils and MtM support groups on crop management, harvest, and cooking practices (Breakfast and Lunch), Preseason Training of HHPs, School pupils and MtM support Groups on Kitchen Gardening (Land clearance, fencing, land preparation and planting - (Breakfast, refreshment, and Lunch), School pupils psychosocial support and sensitization awareness, healthy living and importance and advocacy of education for all and (refreshment to pupils), Cooking Demonstration (training women on how to prepare and cook vegetable for home consumption)

Specific Objectives:

- Enrol children into the various nutrition programs
- Conduct general Screening of children and PLW for malnutrition
- Accurate recording of anthropometric measurements in the register
- Conduct nutrition education on therapeutic food usage and/or preparation to caretakers
- Participate in nutrition assessments
- Support the Nutrition project manager or team leader in compiling all activities report (screening, admissions)
- Oversees the hygiene of the nutrition site and the associated zone
- Ensure proper record of activities (Referral) are kept, prepared and submitted timely
- Ensure WASH activities are implemented as required and as indicated in the project document
- Ensure peace building activities are fully integrated with nutrition, FSL and WASH programs

**JOB FUNCTIONS (Roles & Responsibilities):**

- To screen children for malnutrition through taking weight, height and MUAC.
- Recording the beneficiaries' anthropometric measurement in the register.
- Enrolling the children who are identified as malnourished in the Nutrition program
- She/he distributes the therapeutic foods to the beneficiaries both the under five years children and Pregnant and Lactating Women.
- Provide health education and educate the child's caregiver on the food preparation procedure especially the CSB ++



- supervise nutrition stock level to ensure the centre do not run short of the supplies
- Ensures that the admission register book for U5 TSFP, PLWs TSFP and BSFP are up to date.
- She/he participates in community mobilization to sensitize the community on the nutrition activities and any upcoming program activities.
- Give the overall support and supervision to the nutrition Volunteers
- Notifies the nutrition team on the status of the anthropometric tools as soon as they detect any measurement discrepancy especially the weighing scales and height boards.
- Compile the nutrition centre report together with team leader.
- Participate in general MUAC screening assessment in the camp for both U5 and PLWs.
- Educate mothers on the key RUFT messages (importance of giving the therapeutic food to the malnourished child only and in the right quantities per day)
- Ensure that the admission cards are available in the nutrition centres or liaise with supervisor to print more before you running short of the supplies in the Centre.
- Do any other task assigned to by the line manager

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE REQUIRED:

(a) Education:

- Degree/Diploma in Human Nutrition, Public health, Clinical medicine or Nursing.

(b) Work Experience:

- 3 -5 years relevant experiences working in similar roles in the past and with triple nexus approach.

PERSONAL SPECIFICATIONS:

SKILLS & ABILITIES/ATTRIBUTES REQUIRED:

- Excellent ability to monitor on-the-ground activities.
- Computer literacy, especially in MS Word and Excel;
 - Demonstrated ability to compile high quality Nutrition weekly, monthly reports.
 - Demonstrated ability to work in a multi-sector team and collaborate for improved programming (e.g., cooperation with the team of FSL and WASH)
 - Demonstrated ability to collaborate across organizations and build relationships with external stakeholders;
 - Able to represent ACROSS South Sudan in stakeholders' meetings and liaise with government officials, and other stakeholders in a professional manner.
 - Excellent interpersonal relations skills; and,
 - Excellent spoken and written English language skills.
 - Knowledge of Arabic or local language will be an added advantage.



This position requires good **Coordination, competence and experience**. If you believe you are the one, we are looking for, please quickly send us soft copies (in word) of your latest/updated Curriculum Vitae (CV), copies of only relevant Academic documents, South Sudan Nationality Certificate or Passport, cover Letter and a Personal written Christian Testimony by email to recruitment@across-ssd.org as one document with a clear subject

heading of the job. and hard copies hand dropped at ACROSS Juba office or Kapoeta field office at KAPECO compound.

Important to Note: ACROSS has a zero-tolerance approach to conduct such as fraud, sexual exploitation and abuse, sexual harassment, abuse of authority and discrimination, corruption and bribery. All selected candidates will be expected to abide and adhere to ACROSS' standards of conduct and will therefore undergo background and reference checks through a number of means. Selected candidates will also be required to provide additional information as part of the verification exercise. Misrepresentation of information provided during the recruitment process may lead to disqualification.

- Applications without a **strong and clear personal written Christian Testimony** (Not letter from the church) **will not be considered.**
- This position is open **only to qualified and experienced South Sudanese nationals.**
- **Only shortlisted** applicants will be reached for further engagements.
- **Application documents once received are NOT Returnable.**

Good Luck!

