



**Reducing Deaths and Suffering
from Tropical Diseases**

CONSULTANCY ADVERTISEMENT 2023

- Position:** Consultancy to carry out Independent Coverage Survey after completion of Mass Drug Administration (MDA) campaign.
- Job location:** Three selected counties from among Maiwut, Longochuk, Nasir, Maban, Akobo, Pibor and Pochalla.
- Reporting relations:** Director of PC-NTD MoH South Sudan & MENTOR Country Director
- Closing Date:** 7th July 2023

About The MENTOR Initiative:

The MENTOR Initiative (MENTOR) is a not for profit, charitable, non-governmental organization devoted to reducing death and suffering from tropical diseases. MENTOR is currently providing ongoing emergency support to the most vulnerable communities in Nigeria, Mozambique, Angola, the Central African Republic, Syria, Yemen, Venezuela and South Sudan.

MENTOR is currently collaborating with The Ministry of Health (MoH) to carry out a Mass Drug Administration (MDA) campaign for the Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) Onchocerciasis and Lymphatic Filariasis in seven counties across Upper Nile State and Jonglei State in South Sudan.

Purpose of the Job:

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

- To validate the reported MDA coverage of the campaign.
- To understand the reason as to why individuals did, or did not, take part in the MDA.
- To identify adverse and serious adverse events (SAEs).
- To capture information about the Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices (KAP) of community members regarding NTDs.
- To obtain essential information on BCC, LNOB, gender and many other aspects of programmatic implementation.

Consultancy-Specific Objective:

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The objective is to conduct a comprehensive ICS in three counties in which the MDA campaign will have been completed by June 2023.

Under the direct supervision of the CD, the consultant/institute will be expected to:

- Develop a survey protocol in collaboration with MENTOR and MoH staff.
- Train surveyors on the protocol and use of equipment, including field test.
- Test the protocol and review it if required.
- Conduct the survey in the selected three counties.
- Analyse the collected data.
- Provide the data in an easily accessible format.
- Provide feedback and a draft report to MENTOR.
- Submit the final report.

Expected Deliverables:

The deliverables are the following:

- File containing raw data set.
- File containing clean data set.
- Stata Do File for both cleaning and Analysis syntaxes.
- Key results in Excel file.
- The final report.

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 5-8 years of relevant professional experience in data collection, monitoring, and evaluation.
- Knowledge of the local context in South Sudan and health sector data systems, incl. NTD data.
- Competency on capacity development for data collection and management.
- Competency using statistical software, such as Stata.
- Ability to adequately analyse data and write a concise and informative report.
- Committed to work and meet the deadlines as agreed with MENTOR.
- Previous experience in conducting ICSs of NTD-related MDAs in South Sudan would be considered a key advantage.
- **The consultant must be eligible/authorized to work in South Sudan.**

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Timeframe:

The expected timeframe of the consultancy is: 15th July 2023 – 15th August 2023. The Consultant will:

- Hold consultations with the MENTOR team and the NTD Director in Juba.
- Carry out the ICS training in the selected three counties, starting with a 3-day theory training of surveyors followed by a 2-day test of the ICS training in the field.
- Analyse the collected data and provide the final report by 15th of August 2023.

Payment modalities:

The proposed terms of payment are as follows: 30% after signing of the contract and 70% upon successful and satisfactory completion of the consultancy and submission of all deliverables.

Application

This is a challenging opportunity for dedicated and highly motivated professionals. Both International and 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 can either be sent by email to recruitment.southsudan@mentor-initiative.net quoting the position (i.e., “Independent Coverage Survey of Mass Drug Administration in South Sudan”) in the subject OR by handing over the hard copies in The MENTOR Initiative South Sudan office in Hamza Inn compound, Block G, Plot No. 4 - Juba Town Area, opposite NOTOS Restaurant

The closing date for submitting applications is 7th July 2023.

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