

**PSYCHOSOCIAL OFFICER FOR COUNSELLING**

**Location:** Maban, South Sudan

**Application Closing Date:** 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

**Position:** Psychosocial Officer for Counselling (2 Positions)

**Reporting Line:** Assistant Psychosocial Coordinator

**Position opened to:** South Sudanese Nationals

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**Organizational Context:**

Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) is an international Catholic organization, with a mission to accompany, serve and defend the rights of refugees and forcibly displaced people. JRS has a priority to work wherever the needs of displaced people are urgent and unattended by others and offers a human service to refugees and the communities through a wide range of rehabilitation and relief activities, many of which centred around formal and informal education needs

**Position Description**

JRS' Psychosocial Department offers a range of services to people who have been displaced in 4 refugee camps in Maban, the Upper Nile Region of South Sudan. JRS Psychosocial services also reach the host community of the same location. The JRS psychosocial intervention in Maban uses a multi-layered response with focus on provision of basic services, re-establishing community networks and support systems and providing focused services for most vulnerable groups. Services include home visits, groups, material support, individual counselling, training in basic mental health and counselling, physiotherapy and occupational therapy, and distribution of mobility assistive devices.

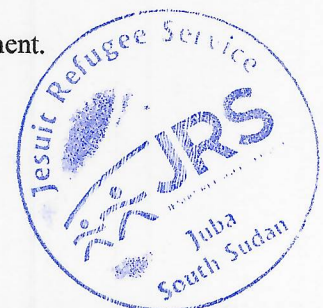
This position requires mastery of counselling, community based psychosocial interventions, basic psychosocial techniques, understanding of referrals pathway. Ability to conduct trainings and communicate to groups of people clearly.

**Key Responsibilities**

**1. Project implementation**

- Provide counselling and support to individuals, families, and groups across all the camps and the host community.
- Provide outreach counselling within the community and engage in community awareness campaigns with the camps and host community.
- Conducts assessment of persons of concern (POC) and ensure a variety of structured psychosocial interventions within the camps and host community, catering for the needs of POC of different ages, genders, and abilities.
- Promotes case management for persons with psychosocial problems, refers and follows up on the reception services, coordinates, consults and collaborates with other service providers.
- Supervises and supports incentive workers ensuring effective implementations and coordination of psychosocial activities in the camps and host community.
- To facilitate youth and adult support groups in all four camps
- To facilitate support group for different categories of clients within the settlement.

**2. Project Planning**



- Assist in training and mentoring counselling incentive workers in organizational policies, recreational and psychosocial activities implemented within the refugee camps.
- Assists the Assistant Coordinator in preparing periodical work plans, case follow-ups and reports on psychosocial activities and achievements in line with the requirements stipulated in the project documents

### 3. Data Management and Reporting

- To maintain accurate records of all group counselling attendees, utilizing the appropriate database
- To maintain accurate records of all individual counselling sessions conducted using the session forms and the appropriate database
- Contribute to internal and donor reports.
- Make accurate assessment for further or outside services
- To report everything accurately and on time

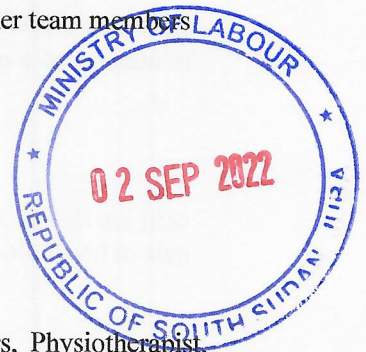
### 4. Other duties

- Timely completion of the performance management with supervisees.
- Provide supervision to the incentive workers.
- Represent JRS in case management meetings
- Attend all trainings as required
- Any other assigned duties

### Qualifications & Experience:

#### *Essential:*

- ✓ Degree in Counselling, Psychology, or related field
- ✓ Minimum of 3 years of practical counselling experience in individual counselling, group counselling, facilitating support groups in humanitarian settings.
- ✓ Demonstrated ability to organize and mobilize groups of people; able to conduct training and communicate to groups of people clearly
- ✓ Supervisory skills, ability to manage deadlines and multiple tasks
- ✓ Ability to build effective partnerships and collaborate well with other team members
- ✓ Ability to work and solve problems independently
- ✓ Excellent written and oral English, and excellent oral Arabic
- ✓ Registration to practice with relevant professional body.
- ✓ Proficiency in Microsoft Word and Excel
- ✓ Proactive and self-motivated



### Working Relationships

**Internal:** Assistant Psychosocial Coordinator (Supervisor), Psychosocial Officers, Physiotherapist, Assistant Psychosocial Officers, Education Officers (school-related work)

**External:** Protection Partners (HDC focal point, SCI, UNHCR), Camp Management (ACTED), targeted donors

### Core values

- Commitment to JRS mission, vision and values, and the ability to convey with enthusiasm JRS's role in accompanying and serving forcibly displaced people and in advocating for their right to protection and a life in dignity.

