



HIV Data Quality Volunteer, King's Sierra Leone Partnership

Terms of Reference

Start Date: January 2019

Placement Duration: 6 – 12 months

Location: Freetown, Sierra Leone

Reporting to: Infectious Disease Lead

The Function

The King's Sierra Leone Partnership (KSLP) is a long-term capacity building partnership between King's Health Partners in London and key partner institutions in Sierra Leone. KSLP aims to help strengthen Sierra Leone's health system by improving training, clinical services, policy and research. Key partners include University of Sierra Leone Teaching Hospitals Complex Connaught Hospital, the College of Medicine & Allied Health Sciences (COMAHS) and the Ministry of Health & Sanitation (MOHS).

As the adult tertiary referral hospital, Connaught provides specialist inpatient services for people living with HIV and has the largest outpatient service in the country. KSLP supports health system strengthening projects at Connaught Hospital aimed at improving the quality of care for people living with HIV as well as supporting the National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) with technical advisory support.

The Role

The main aim of this role is to support improvements in care across the HIV care continuum with a particular focus on improving the quality of data recording, analysis and use at local and national level. The successful candidate will:

- Support the roll-out of electronic records in the HIV clinic including local analysis and use of data for decision making
- Support the development of inpatient data collection systems to monitor and evaluate key elements of the care cascade
- Support data analysis and presentation for local and national meetings
- Work alongside colleagues from Connaught Hospital and the NACP to identify bottlenecks to service delivery and identify and implement quality improvement strategies
- Support operational research in line with NACP priorities
- Develop and deliver training and mentorship to multi-disciplinary team members
- Teach and assess medical undergraduate students on an occasional basis

Person Specification

- **Qualifications:** A relevant undergraduate degree; relevant postgraduate qualifications desirable.
- **Experience:** Experience working with hospital-based data, with knowledge of DHIS2 and open MRS systems desirable
- **Skills:** Strong data entry, quality assessment and analysis skills. Must be comfortable using Excel to an intermediate or advanced level. Knowledge of statistical analysis software desirable
- **Personal Characteristics:** Excellent interpersonal and intercultural skills, as well as confidence working within a multicultural team; skilled at multitasking and prioritising, working independently with minimal supervision, and leading and designing projects autonomously with an appreciation of the philosophy behind a long-term co-development health partnership.

Support Provided to Volunteers

This is a 6 -12 month unpaid voluntary position but the post holder will be provided with:

- Return flights to and from initial post, plus one paid leave flight to and from Freetown for every six months in post
- £500 monthly stipend for living expenses, paid in local currency
- Multi-entry visa, residency permit & professional registration
- Vaccinations & antimalarials
- Insurance
- Accommodation in a shared KSLP house

To Apply: Submit a cover letter (maximum 2 pages) and CV (maximum 4 pages) to volunteer@kslp.org.uk. Please include the role title in the subject line of the email. Applications will be reviewed on an ongoing basis.