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**JARAMOGI OGINGA ODINGA
UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR**

EXTERNAL JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOOUST) wishes to recruit qualified and dedicated persons for the JOOUST-USAID *BORESHA JAMII* Program funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) to implement Kenya Health Partnerships for Quality Services (KHPQS) in Kakamega & Kisumu Counties.

The aim of the program is to provide integrated activities to achieve the Kenya Health Partnerships for Quality Services (KHPQS) goal and objectives, building on USAID's investment in health systems strengthening and FP/RMNCAH/WASH and Nutrition through supporting the Ministry of Health in achieving journey to self-reliance (J2SR) in Cluster 2 Counties of Western Kenya Region.

The focus is to increase the use of Quality County led health and social services in Reproductive Health, Maternal, Neonatal, Child and Adolescent Health and Nutrition (FP/RHMNCAH), Water and Sanitation (WASH) in a bid to increase access, demand for quality services and Strengthened capacity of County Health Systems, Local Partners and Communities to deliver quality health services.

We are seeking to recruit qualified and competent individuals to fill the following vacant positions at JOOUST-USAID-Boresha Jamii Program:

POSITION: PROGRAM OFFICER- CHILD HEALTH (ONE POST)
REF NO: UBJ/CHPO/2 /2/2024
GRADE: GRADE 12
STATION: KAKAMEGA COUNTY

JOB SUMMARY:

The incumbent will coordinate project implementation within the 12 sub counties of Kakamega. He/She will work closely with the County, Sub Counties, Health Facilities and the Community Teams to design, implement, and supervise activities to ensure that Child Health Initiatives (CHI) are integrated into the larger RMNCAH Program and continuously improve the quality of interventions and outcomes.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Provide day to day technical assistance and capacity strengthening to Child Health Clinical Teams in the counties and sub counties and support initiatives that are aligned to national priorities and guidelines.
2. Support the Scale up of SBCC initiatives that promote uptake of skilled Child Health services.

3. Work closely with the MNH officer, program internally and stakeholders externally to ensure quality service delivery along the MNH/CH cascade and patient outcomes.
4. Support establishment / strengthening of Child Health Multisectoral Committees / Technical Working Groups
5. Support scale up of Child Health policies, guidelines/ SOPs and other important reference materials.
6. Work with Facility and Community Champions to facilitate Child Health related meetings, mentorships, and CMEs.
7. Support facility staff to appreciate Child Health initiatives and integrate the High Impact Interventions into day-to-day programming.
8. Contribute towards quarterly reporting, annual work plan development, and budgeting within the counties and sub counties.
9. Support results sharing and reporting to USAID by providing written documentation on Child Health activities, as appropriate.
10. Work closely with the monitoring, evaluation, research, and learning (MEL) team to harmonize and streamline collection, performance review, and use of data for prioritization of Child Health interventions.
11. Work closely with the technical lead and finance and administrative staff to ensure timely and compliant spending.
12. Liaise/ Collaborate with other internal and external partners to leverage on available platforms and resources to support Child Health Initiatives.
13. Identify and Support Community Activities that promote child health and development.
14. Perform any other programmatic duty as may be assigned by the supervisor.

MINIMUM REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE:

1. Diploma in Nursing or Clinical Medicine is required with at least three years' post-graduation related experience.
2. A Valid Practicing License is a MUST.
3. Certificate in IMNCI, ICCM, CCD or ETAT will be an added advantage.
4. Experience in RH/MNH will be an added advantage.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

1. Demonstrated experience working in partnership with governments, international donors, and implementing partners.
2. Experience working in Maternal and child health (MCH) MOH and programs and Ability to work in a complex environment with multiple tasks, short deadlines and intense pressure to perform experience with monitoring and evaluation of health programs demonstrating a progressively increasing level of responsibility.
3. Experience working with Donor Funded Programs will be an added advantage.
4. Solid understanding of Kenya's devolved health systems, both national and county systems.
5. Demonstrated analytical and problem-solving skills, capacity building skills, communication, and interpersonal skills, and providing technical assistance.
6. Ability to cultivate, develop, and maintain good relationships with the county government and staff, colleagues, private sector, and partners.
7. Knowledgeable about current implementation science and state-of-the-art service delivery approaches.
8. Excellent writing skills and ability to articulate oral and written technical information clearly and effectively to both technical and non-technical audiences.

Terms of Service

The successful candidates will be employed on an initial contract ending 30th September,2024 with a competitive remuneration package; contract renewal will be subject to availability of funds, satisfactory performance and need for the service.

How to apply

NB: REF Number for the respective position advertised MUST be captured as an email subject:

Please Quote: **UBJ/CHPO/2 /2/2024** for the Position of a Program Officer- Child Health

Candidates who satisfy the requirement stated above and interested, should forward their application in **soft copy only** including an up-to-date curriculum vitae, details of current remuneration, certified copies of academic and professional certificates, and testimonials as well as names and contacts (including postal and email addresses, and daytime telephone numbers)of three referees to reach us on or before **13th March,2024, 17:00PM Nairobi Time.**

NB: Please convert all your documents into ONE MERGED PDF before sending to: recruitment@boreshajamii.or.ke and a copy to vc@jooust.ac.ke

The job advert is also available at JOOUST Website. (www.jooust.ac.ke).

Candidates who had previously applied are encouraged to still apply and attach all the required documentation.

After interviews, the successful candidates will be expected to submit the following as part of meeting the requirements of Chapter 6 of the 2010 Constitution of Kenya:

1. Valid Certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations,
2. Loaneer Compliance Certificate for HELB Loan Beneficiaries OR Non- Loaneer Compliance Certificate for those who have never benefited from HELB Loan.
3. Valid Tax Compliance Certificate from KRA
4. Clearance from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
5. A Clearance Certificate from an approved Credit Reference Bureau CRB.

USAID Boresha Jamii Program is an equal opportunity employer. Women and Persons with Disabilities are encouraged to apply. Only shortlisted candidates shall be contacted.

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