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**COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCE**

**SCHOOL OF NURSING & PUBLIC HEALTH**

**PUBLIC HEALTH MEDICINE**

**PROJECT OFFICER (2 POSTS)**

**(GRADE 9)**

**1-YEAR FIXED-TERM**

**REFERENCE NUMBER: T/NPH04/2023**

The Discipline of Public Health Medicine (Female Genital Schistosomiasis and Cervical Cancer Project) is seeking a dynamic and experienced individual to fill the position of Project Officer for the Dual screening by Spectral Artificial Visual Examination (SAVE) for Female Genital Schistosomiasis (FGS) and Cervical Cancer (referred to as DUAL-SAVE-FGS) study. The ideal candidate should be a self-starter with a high level of initiative and will have to ensure that the activities implemented by UKZN Project Team for DUAL-SAVE-FGS are rolled out as needed. The candidate will primarily be based at the Discipline of Public Health Medicine, at Howard College Campus.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

* Conceptualise and implement a sub-project based on the overall study objectives for the parent study. This sub-study will form part of the Candidate’s PhD.
* Enrol for a PhD within the first six months of employment contract.
* Be on the ground to track and report progress of the project activities at regular intervals.
* Ensure that collected data are cleaned, analysed and interpreted to produce high quality outputs.
* Be part of the production of the biannual and annual reports to the funder.
* Disseminate research results through various platforms (including conferences, workshops, seminars, and research publications) to increase impact.
* Ensure the timely collection and reporting of quality data to monitoring and evaluation.

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**:

* Master’s degree in Public Health/ Medical Sciences/ Psychology/ Social Sciences
* Readiness to enrol for a PhD within the first six months of employment contract.
* Two years of research experience in Public Health or related fields.
* Experience in quality control and quality assurance activities.
* Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite, including MS Word and Excel
* Data analysis experience
* Knowledge of research methodologies and techniques used in field research.
* Knowledge of patients’ rights as well as legal & ethical issues in health/ medical research.
* Valid motor vehicle driver’s licence.

**ADVANTAGES**

* Experience in working with female genital schistosomiasis and/or cancer patients at a hospital and/ or community level.
* Experience in working within a multidisciplinary team.
* Experience in working within multinational collaborations.

**The post reports to Dr Khumbulani Hlongwana. Enquiries may be addressed to** Hlongwanak@ukzn.ac.za**. Tel: 031 260-4471.**

**The closing date for receipt of applications is 05 March 2023. The University however, reserves the right in special circumstances to accept late applications or to extend the above date to facilitate further searches.**

**Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form (support) which is available on the Vacancies website at** [**www.ukzn.ac.za**](http://www.ukzn.ac.za)**. Completed forms may sent to** **recruitment-chs@ukzn.ac.za**

**Please state the JOB TITLE in the subject line**