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COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

MEDICAL OFFICER (HIV OUTREACH AND RESEARCH)
(1-YEAR FIXED-TERM APPOINTMENT)
SCHOOL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE
(INTERNAL MEDICINE; INFECTIOUS DISEASES)
PIETERMARITZBURG

REF NO.: T/CM02/2016 (Re-advertisement)

The successful incumbent will form part of the infectious diseases team of doctors, nurses, and field staff based at Greys hospital. This project involves outreach and health systems strengthening in HIV/TB care and main purpose of this position is to:

- function to maintain the integrity of the goals of all activities related to current outreach and research project and is directly responsible for medical decision-making; operational decision-making where related to clinical issues; and the integrity, analysis, presentation, and reporting of the data.
- be responsible for development of outreach and research to secure ongoing out-reach and research
 for future projects, will conduct independent research projects leading to academic outputs, and
 effect appropriate leadership in terms of the longer-term strategic goals and objectives of project
- strengthen HIV/TB services in the Umgungundlovu / Amajuba districts.

The position is available for 1 year, but may be renewable for a further 2-3 years, contingent on satisfactory progress and availability of funds.

Key Performance Areas:

- Providing support to surrounding district hospitals in the form of monthly clinics to identify clinical problem areas;
- Training of local HIV/TB staff and capacity building;
- Guideline reinforcement as well as advanced clinical care support;
- Provide liaison and maintain effective communication between chosen clinics/hospitals and Grey's Infectious Diseases Unit;
- Improve referral linkage of patients to tertiary facilities;
- Participate in Health Systems Strengthening activities specifically around strengthening referral pathways to and from specialist services;
- Enhance access to 2nd and 3rd line ART agents and genotypic testing;
- To assist in the planning and coordination of updates/ symposiums within Area 2 AND
- Completion of reports.

Minimum Requirements:

- A bachelor's degree (MBCHB) plus;
- Registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as an independent medical practitioner or medical specialist;
- Computer skills;
- Driver's license, willing to travel to clinics and district hospitals in uMgungundlovu district

Essential Requirements:

- Knowledge on the management of complex clinical problems in HIV infected patients
- Knowledge on the management of opportunistic infections
- Knowledge on antiretroviral therapy management, including side effects and the management thereof, and treatment failure

- Good clinical skills and acumen in internal medicine cases
- 1 2 years' experience in an internal medicine department where complications of HIV and ART are managed

ADVANTAGES:

- Diploma in HIV Management (SA) or equivalent HIV Diploma is beneficial
- Higher diploma in internal medicine or fellowship in internal medicine
- HIV/TB clinical experience
- Experience and working knowledge of current guidelines
- Experience and working knowledge of Good Clinical Practice
- Experience in project management.
- Some experience in financial management.

This post reports to Dr NP Magula, Head of Medicine. Enquiries regarding this post may be directed to Mrs T Shezi on 031-260 4242, email: shezit@ukzn.ac.za The job profile is available from Mrs Shezi. You are invited to visit the College website at http://chs.ukzn.ac.za/Homepage.aspx

The total remunerative package is R637 845 – R 859 086 per annum and is dependent on experience and qualifications. This total remuneration package offered includes benefits.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 12 February 2016. The University however, reserves the right in special circumstances to accept late applications or to extend the above date in order to facilitate further searches.

Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies website at www.ukzn.ac.za Completed forms, together with:

- Certified copies of highest educational qualifications
- Copy of Identity Document
- Current HPCSA registration

may be sent to shezit@ukzn.ac.za

Advert Reference Number MUST be clearly stated in the subject line. An application which does not comply with the above requirements will be regarded as incomplete. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.