AFRICAN POPULATION AND HEALTH RESEARCH CENTER

Promoting the well-being of Africans through policy-relevant research on population and health

Research Position - Family Planning

The African Population & Health Research Center (APHRC) is an international non-profit, non-governmental organization committed to conducting high quality and policy relevant research on population, health, education and development issues facing sub-Saharan Africa. APHRC seeks to recruit a Research Scientist to support a six-year (2009-2015) family planning program entitled "Measurement, Learning and Evaluation (MLE) of the Urban Reproductive Health Initiative (URHI)" being implemented in urban areas of Kenya, Nigeria and Senegal. Led by the University of North Carolina, USA, the project is using state-of-the-art methods to evaluate the impact of the URHI on modern contraceptive use and examine other related questions.

Major responsibilities: In collaboration with and reporting to the Program Leader:

- Lead the implementation of the project in terms of data collection, data analysis and report writing, synthesis of knowledge, and monitoring and evaluation of the impact of the Interventions across target countries, among others;
- 2. Define and oversee the work plans and ensure quality and timeliness of deliverables of the project's Country Managers (in Kenya, Nigeria and Senegal);
- Lead activities related to knowledge generation and sharing, documentation and dissemination
 of best practices across the target countries, in the region, and within the global community of
 practice;
- 4. Support the planning and implementation of country and regional dissemination workshops;
- 5. Support the collaboration with universities and training institutions across the region to identify capacity building needs, and the work to identify in-country partners to build country and regional capacity in monitoring and evaluation of population, reproductive health and nutrition interventions.

Qualifications and Experience

- 1. PhD in Demography, Public Health or a related discipline and at least five years of post-doctoral experience with focus on population, family planning and reproductive health in developing countries in general and sub-Saharan Africa in particular;
- 2. Proven experience in conducting large, national quantitative data collection at the household and facility levels;
- 3. Strong writing skills and good record of publications on population, family planning and reproductive health in developing countries;
- 4. Proven ability to work effectively with both funding agencies and with national and local personnel; Excellent interpersonal and organizational skills;
- 5. Experience in capacity building to undertake measurement and evaluation of population and reproductive health programs in developing countries;
- 6. Strong quantitative skills and extensive familiarity with MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and Statistical Packages (STATA or SPSS);
- 7. Some level of familiarity with impact evaluation (desirable):
- 8. Availability to travel internationally about 30-40% of time.

Interested candidates are invited to **send via email or mail no later than February 15, 2012**, their letter of application (1 page); a statement of research interests and goals (1-2 pages); and their CV with contact details of three referees to jobs@aphrc.org with copy to jcfotso@aphrc.org, or to:

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Please, indicate **Family Planning Researcher** on the subject line of the email or on the envelope.

These positions come with an attractive, internationally competitive remuneration package including employer paid medical, travel, life insurance cover and retirement benefits. Allowances toward in-relocation, home leave travel and dependants' education are provided. Preference will be given to nationals of sub-Saharan African countries, and females are particularly encouraged to apply. Only short-listed candidates will be notified.