

CMAI URGENTLY NEEDS FOR LABS FOR LIFE PROJECT

Senior Programme Manager (Technical) (1 position)

Programme Officer: Advocacy & Coordination (1 position)

Regional Programme Officers (2 positions – in AP/Telangana and Maharashtra)

Christian Medical Association of India (CMAI) - a network organization of more than 300 health care institutions in the country, has been implementing the project "LABS FOR LIFE" (L4L) - in partnership with the U.S. Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Becton Dickinson (BD). The project provides technical support to the National AIDS Control Organizations (NACO), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, to improve the quality of laboratory services in the country.

Moving to its third phase (2018-2021), L4L's objective is to build the capacity of laboratory systems to improve HIV and TB diagnosis, treatment and monitoring towards achieving the 90-90-90 treatment targets. The project will be focusing on 22 ART (Antiretroviral Treatment) centres co-located public health laboratories in Andhra Pradesh/Telangana and Maharashtra cluster districts towards developing an integrated district model of lab services for the comprehensive clinical management of people living with HIV (PLHIV), and strengthening of the lab clinical interface. A National Core Group of experts from the Department of Health and Family Welfare along with international partners will provide oversight to this project.

Position 1: Senior Programme Manager (Technical)

The project needs a Senior Programme Manager (Technical) who will give strategic inputs in gap analysis, capacity building and implementation of quality systems essentials; strengthening innovative strategies in referrals and linkages; providing master plans in training lab workforce in good lab practices; and mainstreaming already existing training programs and implementing reporting systems. This is a full time position based in New Delhi, which requires coordination with the national team of project partners and stakeholders in the country.

Qualifications: MD in Laboratory Medicine (Pathology, Microbiology, Biochemistry)

Experience: He/ She must have worked in lab quality improvement, Training in lab management, internal audit and ISO accreditation with minimum 15 years' experience with diagnostic laboratories.

Salary Range: INR 150,000 to 200,000, based on work experience.

Position 2: Programme Officer (Advocacy and Coordination)

This position must coordinate various activities of the project, understanding the needs at different levels of public health systems in India. She/ He keeps a constant vigil on the progress of the project and work with the implementation teams at the states and districts. Knowledge of public health preferably in the field of Laboratory Quality Systems, HIV/AIDS Project Management, implementation strategies, good communication skills are essential. She/ He will analyse data received from the state laboratories for NACO and prepare reports and

presentations as required. This position will support and complement Senior Program Manager (Technical).

Qualifications: Post graduate degree Public Health/ Health or Hospital Management or any other relevant post graduate degree in health sciences.

Experience: At least 3 – 5 years' experience in public health program management

Position 3: Regional Programme Officers (2 vacancies)

The position will be based in two states: AP/Telangana and Maharashtra. He/ She will provide continuous technical quality improvement in laboratories, plan and implement training in consultation with respective institutions and finalize training calendars at the regional level, coordinate mentoring lab personnel in biochemistry, microbiology, pathology, and related diagnostics, visit extensively within the region / states / districts for coordinating stakeholders for integrated response for quality improvement.

The Regional Programme officers will report to Senior Program Manager (Technical) – L4L, based in Delhi.

Qualifications: M.Sc. Clinical Laboratory Medicine

Experience: At least 3 years' experience in the relevant field. Knowledge in ISO accreditation and experience in lab capacity building and mentoring is desirable

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