

Vacancy – Technical Advisor, Implementation Science Research

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Job Title: Technical Advisor, Implementation Science Research

Location: Yaoundé, Cameroon

EVIHDAF is an international research and development organization headquartered in Yaoundé, Cameroon, which serves the West and Central Africa region. We bring together a multidisciplinary team of English and French speaking researchers who combine innovative thinking and rigorous approaches with the ability to think globally, and the expertise to act local. Regional and global consultants, some connected to universities, complement our team. We currently have a USAID-funded project office in Niamey, Niger, and a Data Unit satellite office in Parakou, Benin.

EVIHDAF offers comprehensive services in Research, monitoring, evaluation and learning (RMEL); Data analytics and survey research, Research capacity strengthening, and Social and behavior change (SBC) research. Our priority focus areas include Reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health (RMNCAH); Maternal, infant and young child nutrition (MIYCN); Malaria and infectious diseases; Humanitarian/vulnerable context; and Support to service delivery.

We are looking for an experienced **Technical Advisor** in anticipation of a USAID-funded **Regional Implementation Science Research for Improved Sexual and Reproductive** Health (ISR-SRH) in West and Central Africa Request for Proposal. The Technical Advisor will provide strategic and technical leadership in the development of project strategies and implementation approaches, including by national level partners. He/she will serve as EVIHDAF's principal investigator on research protocols, and as the implementation science liaison with a network of advisory committees that include implementing partners, civil society organizations, multilateral normative agencies (UNFPA, UNICEF, WHO, UN Women), Ministries of Health, and consortium members. The position requires flexibility, strong organizational skills, and willingness to work under pressure, and involves both local and international travel.

Roles and Responsibilities:

• Lead and coordinate the design of implementation science research activities and the roadmap to scale up across target countries, in support to or in collaboration with consortium partners and national level stakeholders.

- Serve as the focal person for providing virtual and in-person technical assistance to, and overall coordination among in-country partner organizations and other international stakeholders engaged in the project.
- Lead and participate in technical and research inputs to ISR-SRH annual work planning process in close collaboration with the Project Director, project team and project partners.
- Mentor and support Consortium partners staff and implementing partners associated with the project.
- Write, co-author and otherwise support the documentation and sharing of project results in international conferences and peer-reviewed journals and publications.
- Contribute to the depth and strength of the project's technical capacity by identifying consultants and potential new staff, including conducting training and providing technical assistance and mentoring as required.
- Identify and disseminate best practices and new technical strategies and approaches.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Doctoral degree in public health, demography, or a related field
- 8+ years of professional, progressively more responsible management experience of international public health programs phases (design, implementation, monitor, reporting, and financial management)
- Experience as a principal investigator in research protocols including implementation science for RMNCAH.
- Minimum of 2 years providing regional technical assistance on multi-country research activities.
- Excellent written and oral communications skills.
- Full professional proficiency in both English and French.

How to Apply?

Interested candidates are invited to submit their application to the address: **admin@evihdaf.com** with the subject line **"ISR/SRH Technical Advisor**" no later than September 16th, 2024.

The application will consist of:

- A three-page cover letter in English, showing the candidate's qualifications for the position.
- A CV in English of no more than ten (10) pages, ending with names, phone numbers and email addresses of three references.

Candidates from the West and Central Africa region are particularly encouraged to apply. The position will remain open until filled.

Other related vacancies can be accessed at <u>https://www.evihdaf.com/who-we-are/work-</u> with-us/.