

Vacancy Notice: Epidemiologist Consultant

BACKGROUND

The WHO Initiative for Vaccine Research (IVR) identifies research needs, facilitating research, and encouraging synthesis of evidence in order to scale up the delivery of live saving vaccines and related products throughout the life-course; accelerate the development, and; licensure and use of vaccines and related products of public health importance.

To ensure that vaccines currently in use are available and reach all people at risk everywhere the Implementation Research and Economic Analysis team (IMR) synthesizes and critically appraise evidence to inform the choice of vaccines, immunization schedules and delivery strategies to support global and country level decision making. Evidence for policy recommendations is reviewed by WHO's Standing Committee on Vaccine and Immunization related Implementation Research (IVIR-AC).

PURPOSE OF THE CONSULTANCY

Within the above described context the consultant will contribute and coordinate epidemiological research to review evidence for global level vaccine and immunization policy related to various vaccine preventable diseases. The consultant will appraise and synthesize epidemiological studies for vaccine preventable diseases and vaccine impact studies.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Qualifications and experience

- Advanced university degree in epidemiology, public health, sciences or related field.
- Special training in epidemiology, public health, statistical analysis or related field.
- At least three years of experience in public health of which at least 2 years' are within immunization. At least two years working at the global level in public health.

Skills and knowledge

- Strong coordination skills, working across a wide group of partners in diverse locations.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English.
- Strong analytical skills
- Excellent computer skills.

DATES AND DUTY STATION

The position will start by 15 January and will run through 13 April 2018 (subject to confirmation). The consultant will be required to work from the WHO Headquarters Geneva office. Relocation support will not be available. Travel may be required as needed

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit applications by e-mail to hutubessyr@who.int, "Consultant: Epidemiology" in the subject line. Please include: (i) a letter of motivation and (ii) a current curriculum vitae. All applications will be acknowledged. The closing date for applications is 17 November 2017.