

(Re-advertisement)

IDENTIFICATION	
JOB TITLE	Deputy Chief of Party
REPORTING TO	Chief of Party
DURATION	Two (2) Years
DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM	USAID Health System Strengthening
PHYSICAL LOCATION	Nairobi, Kenya

Amref Health Africa was founded in 1957 and has since grown to become the largest African-based international health development organization, currently implementing more than 120 programs, directly reaching more than 12 million people across 35 African countries. Headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, Amref Health Africa has offices in ten countries in Africa and an additional eleven advocacy and fundraising offices in Europe and North America. In the spirit of Ubuntu, partnership and networking are key elements of our approach. Amref has a staff complement of over 1,500.

Amref Health Africa is driven by its vision of 'Lasting health change in Africa' and its mission 'To catalyze and drive community-led and people-centered health systems while addressing social determinants of health'. We believe that the power to transform Africa's health lies within its communities, and therefore strive to ensure that health systems are not only functional but that communities are empowered to hold these systems accountable for the delivery of quality and affordable health care.

# **Project Background**

**USAID Health Sector Governance and Strategic Partnerships (HeGap)** is a five-year project funded by the USAID with Amref Health Africa in Kenya as the prime partner. The project is aimed at providing system level support that will contribute to the achievement of programmatic outcomes. This is aimed at improved responsiveness (continuity of care) and performance of health indicators at the Council of Governors (COG) and across 10 Counties in Kenya (Nairobi, Mombasa, Taita Taveta, Laikipia, Samburu, Vihiga, Kakamega, Siaya, Trans-Nzioa and Turkana). The project objectives are:

- Strengthened Health Systems' Governance, Institutions, and Stewardship for Improved Delivery of Quality Health Services.
- Improved Health Systems Accountability and Structures for Transparent, Efficient and Effective Delivery of Quality Health Services
- Strengthened Structures for National and County Level Legislation and Policy Development and Review
- Strengthened Capacity of National, County and Intergovernmental Coordination Structures to Manage Health Systems.

# **Job Purpose**

The Deputy Chief of Party will be responsible for the overall technical oversight of the project and is specifically responsible for project implementation that relates to facility and community level service delivery. The DCOP reports directly to the Deputy Chief of Party (COP) and will take a leadership role in ensuring technical implementation and ensure the project meets stated goals and reporting requirements. S/he will coordinate with other technical leads of key stakeholders, other USG implementing partners, and GOK, particularly at the county-level. S/he should be knowledgeable about current implementation science and state-of-the art service delivery approaches. S/he will assume the responsibilities of the COP in the absence of the COP.

### PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist the CoP with strategic and operational planning, including work planning, and ensure project compliance with all contractual reporting and financial requirements of USAID and Amref Health Africa in Kenya.
- Assist the CoP in creating and maintaining good working relationships with USAID, civil society organizations, media, and other program partners.
- Manage staff, partners, and operations ensuring close coordination and collaboration between the project's various teams.

- Manage deadlines, draft reports, maintain records, and monitor achievement of benchmarks in the agreement.
- Oversee the grants management process, specifically support the design and management of an open, transparent, and competitive grants making process.
- Work closely with appropriate project personnel to develop solicitations approved by Amref in Kenya and USAID; publicize and promote the solicitations through various media channels: process and prepare all necessary documentation, in collaboration with project personnel; follow-through and complete all approval processes.
- Supervise the implementation of sub awards.
- Mentor and manage staff in a respectful and transparent manner, working with local staff to build their technical and administrative capacity.
- Serve as acting CoP in their absence.

# **REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS**

# **Education, Experience & Competencies**

- At least Eight (8) years of experience managing, complex technical service delivery programs of similar scope and dollar value.
- At least a Master's degree in Social Sciences, Public Health, Medicine, Management, Business Administration, or a related field.
- Five years' experience in partnership building, especially with the government representatives, donors, the private sector, and local community organizations.
- Working knowledge of USAID policies and procedures.
- Knowledge of administration, human resources (HR) practices, budget management.
- Experience recruiting, forming, and successfully managing teams and ensuring the quality of their products.
- Demonstrated success in multicultural environments is required.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills in English required.

#### How to apply

Interested? Please visit our website <a href="https://amref.org/vacancies/">https://amref.org/vacancies/</a> to make your application. You will be directed to our online portal where you will need to create an account in order for you to be able to submit your application. Your application should include a cover letter detailing why you are the best fit for this position and your CV with relevant skills and experience. The closing date will be **Friday, September 15, 2023**. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Duly note that Amref Health Africa does not require applicants to pay any money at whatever stage of the recruitment and selection process and has not retained any agent in connection with recruitment.

Amref Health Africa is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff to share this commitment. Amref Health Africa is an equal opportunity employer and has a non-smoking environment policy.