JOB DESCRIPTION
Project Officer on Cervical Cancer Prevention

Job title: Project Officer on Cervical Cancer Prevention
Level: SB 4.1
Position Number: 00123529
Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova
Full/Part time: Full-time
Fixed term/Temporary: Service Contract
Rotational/Non Rotational: Non Rotational
Duration: 1 year (with possibility of extension until 30 June 2020)

The Position:

The Project Officer will be located in the UNFPA Moldova Country Office (CO) and will report to the UNFPA Representative.

The Project Officer facilitates the work of implementing partners, consultants and experts in the context of the Project implementation, and establishes and maintains collaborative relationships with counterparts in government and non-government organizations, other UN Agencies, multilateral and bilateral donor agencies, ICCPA etc.

Internal contacts include the UNFPA Moldova Representative, UNFPA Moldova Assistant Representative, the UNFPA Moldova Country Office’s programme, communication and operations staff.

External contacts include other UN Agencies in country, multilateral and bilateral donor agencies, national government and non-government counterparts, ICCPA, international and national experts and consultants etc.

How you can make a difference:

UNFPA is the lead UN agency for delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person’s potential is fulfilled. UNFPA’s new strategic plan (2018-2021), focuses on three transformative results: to end preventable maternal deaths; end unmet need for family planning; and end gender-based violence and harmful practices.

In a world where fundamental human rights are at risk, we need principled and ethical staff, who embody these international norms and standards, and who will defend them courageously and with full conviction.

UNFPA is seeking candidates that transform, inspire and deliver high impact and sustained results; we need staff who are transparent, exceptional in how they manage the resources entrusted to them and who commit to deliver excellence in programme results.
Job Purpose:

Under the overall guidance and supervision of the UNFPA Moldova Representative, the Project Officer contributes to the effective and efficient implementation of the Project “Cervical Cancer Prevention in Moldova”, co-financed by UNFPA, United Nations Population Fund in the Republic of Moldova and the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, Swiss Cooperation Office in the Republic of Moldova.

The Project Officer applies and promotes the principles of results-based management (RBM), as well as a client-oriented approach and is instrumental in guiding and facilitating the delivery of the Project’s activities, monitoring results achieved during implementation and following up on recommendations.

The incumbent in the framework of Project implementation, establishes and maintains collaborative relationships with implementing partners, government and non-government counterparts, and development partners, including other UN Agencies, multilateral and bilateral donor agencies, ICCPA etc.

The Project Officer will communicate with the representatives of the Ministry of Health, Labor and Social Protection to ensure the implementation of the project in alignment with the Ministry policies and on-going reforms in the health sector. The incumbent also facilitates the work of implementing partners and consultants—both individuals and within relevant institutions.

The Project Officer works in close collaboration with the UNFPA Moldova Country Office staff (Programme, Operations, Communication), for effective achievement of the expected project outcomes, anticipating and resolving complex project-related issues. The incumbent is expected to exercise full compliance with UNFPA programming, financial, procurement and administrative rules, regulations, policies and strategies, as well as implementation of the effective internal control systems.

You would be responsible for:

- Under supervision of UNFPA Moldova Representative and in close coordination with the UNFPA Moldova Assistant Representative and UNFPA Programme Analyst on Sexual and Reproductive Health, the incumbent assumes full responsibility for and manage effectively and efficiently all project activities and resources (human, financial, physical / material assets, etc.) under the Project “Cervical Cancer Prevention in Moldova”, in order to meet expected results;

- Assist in development of annual activity and procurement work plans, as well as budgets, based on expected year-end outputs;

- In coordination with UNFPA staff, guides and supports routine implementation of assigned Project, closely monitoring project disbursement, expenditures, activities and progress in terms of achieving expected project outcomes, to ensure timely and efficient delivery in line with UNFPA policies and procedures, the approved project budget and agreed deadlines;

- Provide regular reports to the UNFPA Moldova Representative and the Assistant Representative anticipating and flag any deviations from the work plans immediately,
and presenting for consideration solutions for resolving complex project-related issues;

- Establishes and maintains collaborative relationships/partnerships with Ministry of Health, Labor and Social Protection and its subordinated institutions, Project Implementing Partners, government and non-government counterparts, other UN Agencies (especially with WHO), multilateral and bilateral donor agencies, International Cervical Cancer Prevention Association (ICCPA), as well as with other SDC funded project in Moldova (if applicable);

- Be the main contact person for communication with Swiss Cooperation Office in the Republic of Moldova (SCO-Moldova).

- Identifies sources of technical knowledge and support among institutions and experts/consultants; build, motivate and lead a high performing team consisting of short-term experts/consultants and undertake personnel performance appraisals for the experts supervised/coordinated in the context of Project implementation;

- Provides technical and programmatic support to all Project Implementing Partners;

- Provides logistical support as needed in the context of Project implementation, planning and coordinating experts’ missions, trainings, consultation and advocacy meetings, review meetings, other project related events, prepare and issue contracts;

- Provide inputs and assistance to the monitoring and evaluation process of Project activities by participating in field visits, review meetings and relevant evaluation missions, developing and presenting Project-related progress and final reports;

- Coordinate advocacy strategies within the project by compiling and synthesizing relevant background materials, drafting project summaries, articles, publications, speeches and presentations for delivery via journals, meetings, public events and in other fora;

- Contributes to creation and sharing of knowledge, by synthesizing and documenting findings, success stories, best practices and lessons learned within the implemented Project, to share with colleagues and partners, at the local and national levels;

- Contribute to the wide dissemination and visibility of Project achievements;

- Apply UNFPA programming tools and policies. Keep abreast of UNFPA programming practices and maintain an optimum level of knowledge by continuous learning;

- Perform necessary operations in Global Programming System module in ATLAS.

- Support the activity of the other colleagues in the UNFPA Moldova Country Office, ensuring the programme cohesion and synergy and pursuing integrated approach in Project implementation;

- Perform any other activities as required by the UNFPA Country Office management.

Carry out any other duties for the Generations and Gender Programme as may be required by UNFPA leadership.
Qualifications and Experience:

Education:
- Master degree or equivalent in public health, medicine, social science, education public administration and/or other related areas.

Knowledge and Experience:
- At least four years of relevant professional experience in the field of programme / project management, preferably in public health area;
- Prior experience in development assistance or related work for a donor organization, governmental institutions and/or NGOs, is a very strong advantage.
- Proficiency in current office software applications and corporate IT systems.

Languages:
- Fluency in Romanian and English is required;
- Working knowledge of one or more additional languages relevant for Moldova, including Russian, Bulgarian, Gagauzian, Romani, Ukrainian or sign language would be an asset.

Required Competencies:

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Core Competencies:
- Achieving results,
- Being accountable,
- Developing and applying professional expertise/business acumen,
- Thinking analytically and strategically,
- Working in teams/managing ourselves and our relationships,
- Communicating for impact

Compensation and Benefits:
This position offers an attractive remuneration package including a competitive net salary plus health insurance and other benefits as applicable.
This is a local position, therefore only citizens of the Republic of Moldova or others legally authorized to work in the country are eligible to apply.

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