

LINKAGES Liberia - Advisor for Strategic Information

Project Description:

FHI 360 is a nonprofit human development organization dedicated to improving lives in lasting ways by advancing integrated, locally driven solutions. Our staff includes experts in Health, Education, Nutrition, Environment, Economic Development, Civil Society, Gender, Youth, Research and Technology— creating a unique mix of capabilities to address today's interrelated development challenges. FHI 360 serves more than 60 countries, all 50 U.S. states and all U.S. territories.

We are currently seeking qualified candidates for the position of **Advisor for Strategic Information** in Liberia for the USAID-funded project, Linkages across the Continuum of HIV Services for Key Populations Affected by HIV (LINKAGES), under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) program in Liberia. LINKAGES is implemented by FHI 360 in partnership with Pact, IntraHealth International and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and conducts a range of activities to reduce HIV transmission among key populations (KP) — sex workers (SW), men who have sex with men (MSM), transgender persons (TG persons) and people who inject drugs (PWID) — and improve their enrollment and retention in care and treatment across the HIV cascade. LINKAGES will accelerate the ability of governments, key population leaders, organizations working with key populations, and private-sector providers to plan and implement services that reduce HIV transmission among key populations and their sexual partners and extend the lives of those already living with HIV. The key elements of LINKAGES strategic and technical approaches are:

- Identifying key populations and locales and comprehensively assessing risk,
- Diagnosing “leaks” and revealing access to barriers within the HIV services cascade,
- Scaling up “what works” while innovating to ensure the most strategic use of resources and access to newly emerging technologies,
- Addressing structural barriers and transforming local KP organizations,
- Ensuring interventions are sustainable over the long term, and
- Supporting the mainstreaming of human rights, gender and competency and capacity development.

Job Description

The LINKAGES Liberia Advisor for Strategic Information will be the lead technical expert responsible for all strategic information related activities, including performance monitoring, data analysis, display and use and reporting of achievements and results. S/he will lead efforts to strengthen monitoring and evaluation systems, and performance monitoring within a targeted geographic area, which may include building the capacity of community organizations to monitor, document and analyze the performance of their HIV services and activities and ensure data quality. S/he will liaise with relevant technical advisers and counterparts responsible for district and county level strategic information and monitoring and evaluation and support coordination with the national MIS. This position is critical for quality programming and generation of evidence-based approaches to support FSWs, MSM and TG persons to be reached and linked to a variety of services along the HIV prevention, treatment, care and support cascade. Furthermore, the SI Advisor will develop systems to monitor reach with prevention services and commodities, linkage to HIV and STI testing and counselling, referrals for wrap-around services referrals and peer outreach and navigation activities for improved linkages, retention and adherence to ART.

The position will be based in Monrovia, Liberia. Liberian nationals and candidates currently based in Liberia are encouraged to apply.

Suitably qualified candidates openly living with HIV and/or who are representative of the key populations affected by HIV are also actively encouraged to apply.

Position Responsibilities:

- Provide technical assistance and leadership, implement, and assess and strengthen M&E systems and tools, to achieve programmatic goals.
- Ensure that appropriate M&E mechanisms are incorporated into work plans and reports.
- Conduct capacity building activities for civil society, faith-based, and community-based organizations to support the collection, analysis, presentation, and utilization of high-quality data for improved programming.
- Develop and oversee implementation of the data quality assurance systems.
- Monitor program performance based on the performance monitoring and evaluation plan, annual work plans, and the environmental mitigation and monitoring plan.
- Work closely with LINKAGES partners to conduct mapping and size estimation exercises to inform planning and provide technical assistance to the government.
- Inform the program team and partners on the use of PEPFAR and custom indicators to monitor program performance and support evidence-based programming.
- Oversee data entry into LINKAGES and DATIM databases.
- Support the development of reports for LINKAGES HQ, USAID, the Liberian government, and other stakeholders as needed.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Demonstrated ability to be the technical specialist and as subject matter expert in data analytics.
- Demonstrated ability to perform robust data extraction from internal and external information systems.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience in the use of GIS and other tools to support geo-spatial display of data to target program interventions and resources.
- Demonstrated ability to perform complex data analyses using Microsoft Excel, STATA, Epi Info, and/or other statistical software, and make recommendations based on findings.
- Demonstrated ability to portray complex data sets in easy to understand formats including visualizations.
- Demonstrated working knowledge of Liberia's health and social service information systems and monitoring and evaluation processes as it relates to data collection for performance-based reporting.
- Previous experience building capacity for generation and use of strategic information by community-based organizations and civil society groups.
- Sensitivity to cultural differences and understanding of the political and ethical issues surrounding public health issues among key populations in Liberia.
- Ability to meet deadlines with strong attention to consistency, detail, and quality.
- Ability to travel within country or region and internationally as needed.

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