

Request for application – Senior Qualitative Researcher

Opening date: August 28, 2020

Closing date: September 4, 2020

Background:

The objective of the UK department for international development (DFID) LAFIYA programme in Nigeria is to improve health outcomes for the poorest and most vulnerable through the following interlinked outcomes. (1) Increased resources invested in health, and prioritisation of health by Government of Nigeria (through civil society advocacy on human capital, community accountability for health; and use of data to inform government prioritisation of health). (2) Improving effectiveness and efficiency of public and private basic health services (through health system strengthening, and working with the private sector to improve delivery of affordable health services for the poorest populations). (3) Reducing total fertility rate (through addressing social norms, demographic impact analysis, and support to family planning demand creation and delivery of services). To achieve these outcomes, the programme has outlined five (5) strategic outputs. The LAFIYA programme Output 4 is focused on the private health sector and seeks to ensure improved effectiveness of the private health sector in delivering affordable basic health services.

To gain deep insights into the strengths, weakness and challenges faced by the private health sector, as well as the opportunities for growth through strategic collaborations, LAFIYA is conducting a survey to collate intelligence on private health markets in the LAFIYA programme states (Kaduna, Kano, Jigawa, Yobe and Borno states).

Job description

LAFIYA is seeking a Senior Qualitative Researcher to lead the collation of intelligence on private health markets in the LAFIYA programme states. S/He will report to the LAFIYA Output 4 lead.

Key responsibilities across the 5 states include:

- Participate in meetings with the LAFIYA team
- Develop a detailed implementation plan for assessment including activities, sub-activities, roles and responsibilities, timelines, and budgets (if any).
- Generate agendas for all meetings, make appointments, and meet with key stakeholders
- Develop activity trip reports.
- Collect and collate information required for the assignment, covering areas detailed in the methodology
- Support the development, planning and execution of research protocols for the Market Intelligence study in the LAFIYA states
- Support development of data collection tools for the Private Health Markets Study
- Conduct training for data collectors
- Support quality assurance of data collected during field visits in all states
- Facilitate qualitative data analysis
- Develop the Private Health Markets Intelligence report for all the states in line with the purpose of the assignment.
- Share and validate report with key stakeholders for feedback
- Finalize report and conduct a one-day workshop to present gap report and recommendations

Minimum Requirements

- A post graduate degree in Public Health / Health Policy or have related experience
- Relevant master's degree with 15 years of qualifying experience working in partnership program development and/or relevant fields, with substantial experience working with government, private sector, and other stakeholders on research
- Strong communication skills for achieving consensus amongst multiple stakeholders
- Demonstrable experience working with multiple stakeholders
- Excellent skills in research, facilitation, analysis and report writing
- Adequate knowledge of Monitoring and Evaluation
- Good knowledge and understanding of the National Health Systems and structures as well as policies relevant to the private health sector
- S/he must have experience working with donors like USAID, DFID and GF
- S/he must have undertaken a similar assignment.

Submission of application

Interested applicants should submit their curriculum vitae and a one-page cover letter via email to vacancies@pharmaccess-ng.org with the subject 'LAFIYA-PHM SENIOR QUALITATIVE RESEARCHER' as the subject. The submission deadline is Friday, September 4, 2020.