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UGANDA PUBLIC HEALTH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

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FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Background

Ministry of Health (MoH) in partnership with Makerere University School of Public Health (MakSPH) and the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (US CDC) is implementing the Uganda Public Health Fellowship Program (UPHFP), an initiative to develop the next generation of public health leadership for Uganda. The goal of this program is to develop a competent workforce by learning-through-service and responding to real-time public health problems of Uganda.

The UPHFP, which is housed in the Uganda National Institute of Public Health (UNIPH), is offered in six tracks, namely: Field Epidemiology; Laboratory Leadership; Health Informatics; Health Economics (Prevention Effectiveness), Implementation Science, and Monitoring and Evaluation. Currently, the Field Epidemiology, Laboratory Leadership and Health Informatics Tracks are operational.

The Field Epidemiology Track is a 2-year training-through-service program in applied epidemiology and public health leadership. Fellows develop competencies by providing valuable public health services to the MoH, Regional and District Health Teams; 80% of the fellows' time are spent on field projects with supervision and mentorship provided by MoH, UNIPH, US CDC, and other implementing partners, with 20% spent in interactive didactic training.

Competency domains include field epidemiology (public health surveillance, outbreak investigations, and applied epidemiological studies), scientific and non-scientific communication, public health programming (including cost analysis studies and designing Quality Improvement projects), management and leadership. Fellows prove competency by completing a portfolio of projects in each of these domains. Fellows serve in priority technical units of the MoH or relevant affiliated institutions to complete

this portfolio under the supervision and mentorship of national and international subject-area experts.

Number of Fellowships on offer: The program will offer ten (10) Fellowships in Field Epidemiology Track.

Required Academic Qualifications: Successful applicants should have a master's degree in any of the following disciplines: Public Health, Health Services Research, Epidemiology, Veterinary Public Health, Nutrition, Environmental Health, Wildlife or any other health-related disciplines.

Required Work Experience: Applicants should have 3-7 years of work experience in any health-related field including human, environmental, veterinary, wildlife, etc.

How to Apply: Interested applicants should visit careers/opportunities section at the UNIPH website https://uniph.go.ug for a detailed description of the fellowship program. Create an account, log in and apply no later than Monday, August 5, 2024

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