

## UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

### EXTERNAL JOB VACANCIES (PROJECT POSITIONS)

Applications are invited for the following position:

# LABORATORY TECHNOLOGIST, FLEMING FUND KENYA COUNTRY GRANT, ADVERT REF, AD/8/149/24, 12 POSTS

#### The Position

The position is domiciled in the Department of Clinical Medicine and Therapeutics in the Faculty of Health Sciences, under the Fleming Fund Kenya Grant. This is a one-year project that will be conducted in several hospitals in Kenya to strengthen surveillance of antimicrobial resistance and antimicrobial use.

#### Location

The position will be based at the surveillance sites supported by Fleming Fund Kenya Country Grant and will report to the site Microbiology Laboratory Manager and the Principal Investigator.

#### Duties and Responsibilities

- 1) Support appropriate collection of priority samples (phlebotomy for blood cultures) from patients in the facility
- 2) Receiving/collecting, labeling and registering of specimens.
- 3) Analyze specimens by isolating, identifying and performing sensitivity testing of microorganisms.
- 4) Perform quality control, validation, and other quality activities to verify performance of assays.
- 5) Running routine and preventive maintenance of equipment, calibration of equipment, troubleshooting of equipment, running routine quality controls on equipment.
- 6) Participate in writing and maintaining standard operating procedures.
- 7) Follow established quality management policies and Good Laboratory Practice.
- Disinfection and sterilization of benches, working surfaces and apparatus, decontamination of used media plates and other bacteriological wastes before disposal, proper segregation of waste and disposal.
- 9) Preparing media, reagents and stains.
- 10) Storage of specimens and archiving isolates.
- 11) Writing and recording of results.
- 12) Document and record quality indicators and occurrences.
- 13) Participate in analyzing and reporting of External Quality Assessment.
- 14) Participate in microbiological data collection and entry.
- 15) Support reporting to the National Public Health Laboratory

#### **Job Specifications**

- 1) They must have a Diploma/Degree in Medical Laboratory Sciences.
- 2) Be registered with Kenya Medical Laboratory Technicians and Technologists Board (KMLTTB).
- 3) Valid practicing license from Kenya Medical Laboratory Technicians and Technologists Board (KMLTTB).
- 4) Certificate in computer application.
- 5) He/she should have one (1) year experience in supporting laboratory activities in donor funded programs.

#### **Tenure and Terms of Appointment**

The tenure of this job is one (1) year, appointment on contract which includes a 3-month probation period. Renewal is based on performance, mutual agreement and availability of funds.

#### NOTES

- 1. Applicants should email their application letters, certified copies of certificates and curriculum vitae (CV) giving details of their qualifications, experience and three (3) referees, as well as indicating their telephone and e-mail contacts.
- 2. Applications and related documents should be forwarded to the Deputy Registrar, Recruitment and Training, University of Nairobi.
- 3. Applicants should state their current designations, salaries and other benefits attached to those designations.
- 4. The application letter must bear the reference code indicated in the advertisement.
- 5. Late applications will not be considered.
- 6. Applications should be emailed as one file in PDF to: recruit-ltdocmat@uonbi.ac.ke

#### CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024

#### THE UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER ONLY SHORTLISTED APPLICANTS WILL BE CONTACTED.