



MALARIA ELIMINATION 8: COUNTRY FOCAL PERSON

The Organization

The Elimination 8 is a regional organization that steers a multilateral partnership between eight member countries within the SADC region; these are Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Elimination 8 serves as a platform for regional collaboration towards malaria elimination within the SADC region, accelerating the country's efforts towards malaria elimination. In order to meet the demands associated with running and coordinating this ambitious regional collaboration, based out of the Secretariat in Windhoek, Namibia, E8 is currently in pursuit of suitably qualified talent to complement the existing team. If you are an individual who resonates with the ideal of playing a leading role in the important global agenda of malaria elimination, and who is truly passionate about using your keen and innovative mind to developing new approaches to contribute towards a dynamic and ambitious effort to improve health and development prospects for SADC, these positions will be ideal for you.

The Position: Country Focal Person

You will play a fundamental role in providing support in the implementation, at country level, of the regional malaria strategy funded by the Global Fund to Fight HIV, TB, and Malaria. Your success will hinge on your aptitude and interest in coordinating activities; working across various interventions and program units, and linking activities across the different strategic interventions taking place to eliminate malaria in Zambia, and the other seven E8 member states. You will be seconded to, and work closely with the National Malaria Control Program (NMCP) Manager to ensure that the country implementation targets set by the regional E8 partnership are being met. To facilitate close collaboration with the Ministry of Health, you will be based in the Ministry of Health in Lusaka, with some local and regional travel.

Key areas of responsibility:

- **Co-ordination:** Support the NMCP Manager in the co-ordination and field supervision of all program issues relating to the E8 regional malaria strategy and management of cross-border programmes.
- **Monitoring and evaluation:** Facilitate the collection of disease and programmatic monitoring & evaluation data for dispatch and aggregation at regional level.
- **Partnership and collaboration:** Serve as the key liaison between the Secretariat and the NMCP, with strategic and technical insights obtained from the NMCP Manager.
- **Supervision:** Conduct field supervisory visits to review implementation of the regional malaria interventions by ministry of health units as well as by contracted organizations.
- **Reporting:** Develop consolidated quarterly reports of the progress in implementing the regional strategy within the country, and comparing the monitoring & evaluation data for reporting on the grant.
- **Program planning and management:** Collaborate with the NMCP Manager and the program focal points for diagnosis, vector control, and surveillance.

Minimum requirements:

- A degree in public health, epidemiology, or related discipline (masters level preferred).
- At least 6 years relevant working experience, of which at least 3 years should be in malaria project management, preferably in a malaria elimination context.
- Knowledge of health systems context through experience in various SADC countries is a distinct advantage.
- Demonstrated ability to diplomatically mobilize and coordinate partners around priority malaria interventions.
- Demonstrated experience with planning, implementation, data management, analysis and interpretation of research studies and routine data for programmatic decision-making.
- Proven ability to work efficiently in a fast-paced demanding environment and to troubleshoot and follow projects through to completion, consistently on schedule, without loss of attention to detail.
- Language skills: Should be fluent in English and able to communicate with internal and external stakeholders (verbal and written).

Interested?

Elimination 8 offers an attractive package commensurate with qualifications and experience. The closing date is 25 **March 2016** and candidates who are citizens of one of the fifteen SADC countries are encouraged to apply. We request that you e-mail your CV for the attention of; Ms Jennifer Mifima to jenny@potentia.com.na **All applications will be handled exclusively by Potentia, and all selected candidates will be required to undertake an assessment test. Note: Only electronically formatted CV's will be accepted.**