

Job no: 594941

Contract type: Consultant

Duty Station: Kinshasa

Level: Consultancy

Location: Democratic Republic of Congo

Categories: Health

Contract Duration: 6 months

Working arrangement: Office Based with travel to the health regions and districts in DRC

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The Vaccine Management and Cold Chain Logistics Specialist (VMCCL) will ensure effective coordination and implementation of vaccine management and cold chain activities in the supported provinces for routine immunization, SIAs, and outbreak response, delivering measurable improvements in vaccine availability, stock management, forecasting and timely distribution, cold chain equipment functionality and preventive maintenance, temperature monitoring and management of excursions, data quality and reporting performance, campaign waste management, and capacity building of provincial EPI teams. Expected results will be tracked through clear indicators including reduced stock-out days and vaccine wastage rates for tracer antigens, improved stock record accuracy and routine inventory reconciliation, improved forecast accuracy and delivery performance (e.g., DIFOT and reduced lead times), increased CCE functionality and shorter repair times, higher coverage of continuous temperature monitoring with documented corrective actions for excursions, improved completeness/timeliness/consistency of reporting, and strengthened provincial capacity evidenced by training/coaching delivered, supportive supervision visits conducted, and timely closure of action plans. The VMCCL Specialist will work under the supervision and technical guidance of the Immunization Supply Chain Manager

If you would like to know more about this consultancy, please review the complete

Terms of Reference here:  [ToR_ext_TMC0003996.pdf](#)

**QUALIFICATIONS / SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE / EXPERIENCE/
COMPETENCIES (CORE/TECHNICAL/FUNCTIONAL) / LANGUAGE SKILLS
REQUIRED FOR THE ASSIGNMENT**

Education:

- An advanced university degree (Master's level or equivalent) in Public Health, Pharmacy, Health Supply Chain Management, Logistics, Immunization, or relevant field

Work Experience:

- Minimum of five (5) years vaccine/cold chain management, experience in public health/immunization, and other health emergencies in developing countries.
- Proven experience in coordinating and managing field teams in the GPEI and other accelerated vaccine-preventable disease initiatives.
- Proven experience in integrated approach (Health, nutrition, wash, SBC, protection)
- Experience in routine immunization and campaigns, experience with nOPV2 campaigns in developing countries.
- Strong experience in vaccine logistics, cold chain optimization, stock management, temperature monitoring, and supportive supervision.

- Relevant experience in a UN system agency or international organizations is considered as an asset.

Language Requirements:

- Fluency in French is required.
- Knowledge of a local language (Swahili, Lingala. etc) is an asset