# Access Officer - Diagnostic Network Design

## Organization

FIND is an international non-profit organization based in Geneva, Switzerland, dedicated to R&D activities to expand and accelerate access to new diagnostic technologies, and to build global capacity for diagnostic testing for poverty-related diseases in low- and middle-income countries. FIND's vision is a world where diagnosis guides the way to health for all people. The FIND team is devoted to driving the development, clinical trialing, and early implementation of innovative diagnostic solutions that can have a high impact on patient care and disease control in low-resource settings.

**Contract Period:** This is a full-time position with a 20-month contract.

**Location:** Location in South Africa or India preferred, but location in selected project implementation countries will also be considered. This is not a Geneva-based FIND position.

## Overall objective

FIND is working with development and implementing partners, national disease programs and industry to develop strategies that address diagnostics related barriers to patients accessing treatment and care services. In many instances, diagnostics may be available but are not currently used due to a variety of barriers including health system weaknesses, access challenges and/or insufficient relevant data to support use. Diagnostic network design that increases patient access to diagnostic services whilst also cost effectively maximizing the use of available resources will assist national programs and donors to improve the efficiency of investments and service delivery.

As the Access Officer, you will be working in a team under the supervision of FIND's Chief Access Officer.

## Job description

The Access Officer will work with the Access team and identified partners to implement a diagnostics network optimization project aimed at increasing access to diagnostic services for TB patients and identifying the "missing" TB cases in 5 countries.

The specific activities will include but not be limited to:

- Direct the development of data-driven strategies to strengthen diagnostics network to support increased access to testing in identified countries.

- Establish/maintain links with national health programs, research institutions, local and international implementing partners and other institutions in-order to advance the objectives of the diagnostic network optimization project. This will include travel for meetings with partners and government programs.

- Collect, review and analyze national disease program data to guide the definition of pathways for optimizing the diagnostic network.

- Become proficient in the use of supply chain management software and contribute to building and analyzing country models for diagnostic network strengthening. Access officer will be required to learn and utilize LLamasoft's supply chain software and open access tool to be developed.

- Document project activities and processes to enable achievement of project objectives and for reporting against project indicators.

- Together with relevant Access team members, national disease programs and partners define scenarios that may result in optimization of the diagnostic networks in identified countries.

- Use national data to develop models for optimization of national diagnostic networks in identified countries.

- Contribute to the development of the parameters for the open access diagnostic network optimization tool to be developed.

- Manage implementation of project activities in identified countries and ensure alignment with project objectives and targets.

- Communicate FIND's achievements through publications and scientific presentations

- Write and support the writing of publications and scientific presentations (incl. travel for presentations) and donor reporting

- Regularly updating supervisor (Chief Access Officer) and other Access team members on the progress and difficulties experienced

## Requirements

- A clear understanding of health systems in low and middle income countries (LMICs). A good understanding of tuberculosis or diagnostics programmes would be an added benefit.

- Advanced degree in public health (MPH), MBA, data science or similar field.

- Demonstrated experience in delivering on health systems strengthening projects with a strong data analytic component

- Knowledge of health systems challenges in LMICs will be added advantage.

- Experience working with large data sets and data management software such as Stats and Tableau.

- Ability to independently learn the use of various data software would be an added advantage.

- At least 5 years' experience in project planning, execution and monitoring. Strong project management skills are required.

- Ability to work without close supervision as well as to work under pressure and meet tight timelines on a result-oriented basis.

- Willingness to expand knowledge base and take on new topics.

- Work well in teams of multi-cultural backgrounds; effective communication.

- Superior problem solving skills.

- Represent the FIND strategy and goal of being an honest, transparent broker in the global health field.

- Interpersonal, written and verbal communication skills. Team oriented.

- Fluent in written and spoken English.

- Experience in technical writing, including peer-reviewed journal publications

- Available for at least 30% travel.

## To apply

Please send a motivation letter, a detailed CV and three references to [HR-IN@finddx.org](mailto:HR-IN@finddx.org)

**Application deadline:** 21st December 2018
(But don't wait until the deadline! We will start screening right away and if we find the right person, we will stop searching.)

Please note that only applicants meeting the profile requirements will be personally contacted. Applications sent by recruitment agencies will not be considered.