

State PPM Lead (JEET Project), India

Organization:

The Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics (FIND) is established in India as an independent non-profit created under Section 8 (Indian) Companies Act 2013, with its office in New Delhi. FIND India is the key implementing partner of Central TB Division, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, for strengthening and expanding TB laboratory diagnostic capacity within the Revised National TB Control Program (RNTCP) and supported by the Global Fund. FIND India is a subsidiary of FIND, an international non-profit organization based in Geneva, Switzerland. FIND is dedicated to activities that result in: 1) new diagnostic tools; 2) expanded access to these tools; and 3) strengthened diagnostic testing capacity for poverty-related diseases in low- and middle-income countries.

Your mission/Overall objective:

FIND India is implementing a Global Fund-supported project titled Joint Effort for Elimination of Tuberculosis (JEET), whose aim is to partner with the private sector in various states of India to increase notifications, microbiological confirmation of TB patients, and facilitate early treatment initiation as well as adherence to support systems for improved treatment completion rates. JEET activities take a multi-pronged approach to engage with the private sector, following the National Strategic Plan slogan “go where the patients go”. The project proposes to work closely with the patient at all the touchpoints, which include chemists, pharmacies, clinics, providers, hospitals, laboratories, and RNTCP.

To assist with the delivery of this project. FIND is seeking an experienced public-private mix (PPM) Lead with a health-care background. We are looking for a highly motivated individual with outstanding credentials and with experience working in TB control to join us as State PPM Lead to cover the operations of the JEET project. You will be part of the team that will ensure that private sector engagement is coordinated across the country, that donor processes are complied with, and you will provide oversight of JEET activities conducted at the State Project Management Unit (SPMU) level and lower. In each of FIND India’s assigned states under the JEET project, SPMU will further coordinate and oversee activities. In certain identified cities, a Patient Provider Support Agency (PPSA) will be responsible for continuous, end-to-end engagement with the private sector to provide quality TB services to patients seeking care in this sector.

Location of position: Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh

Your responsibilities:

- Engage with RNTCP staff and facilitate engagement for public-private partnership in districts/cities
- Manage overall program operations for a region with non-PPSA districts/cities
- Plan and allocate non-PPSA resources appropriately to maximize TB case notifications
- Directly supervise activities of non-PPSA city officers
- Ensure process adherence and timely data reporting by non-PPSA city officers
- Provide RNTCP staff with all the necessary information related to the project and communicate project updates to them regularly

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- Work with RNTCP staff to facilitate availability of public sector commodities (diagnostics and fixed dose combinations)
- Support RNTCP staff in creation of a State Technical Working Group (STWG) with relevant stakeholders and facilitate coordination amongst members
- Identify training needs for city officers and PPM RNTCP staff and organize the same in coordination with the National Program Management Unit (NPMU)
- Providing technical support to RNTCP for the non-project PPSA sites
- Identify key private sector institutions operational in the state and liaison with them
- Support capacity building and technical assistance to the project team in the state
- Other tasks as assigned by the Supervisor

Qualifications:

- MBBS/MPH/PhD/MSW/MBA/MSc/equivalent with minimum of 5 years of supervisory experience in public health projects (preferably TB, Malaria, HIV/AIDS etc.)
- Preference will be given to:
 - Candidates with experience of working with projects engaging private healthcare providers
 - State / National level experience of working with RNTCP
 - Experience in managing project budget
- Proven ability to work in a public health setup with decision-makers
- Ability to coordinate with internal and external stakeholders and on-site teams
- Demonstrated ability to coordinate between multiple sites and ensure strict adherence to project targets and mandates
- Should have good communications skills and be proficient in basic computer applications like Word, Excel and Power Point
- Have sound knowledge of data analysis, analytical software and ability to make meaningful interpretation for effective supervision
- Ability and willingness to travel extensively (30%), based on the needs of the job

Nature of appointment:

The selected candidate shall be initially offered a consultancy contract until **December 2020**. The position will be prolonged subject to satisfactory performance, project extension and necessary funding.

Compensation offered:

The gross remuneration budgeted for the position shall be commensurate with the candidate's qualifications, experience and salary history. Deadline to send your application: **22 September 2019**

Please mail a motivation letter, a detailed resume and three references to HR-IN@finddx.org. 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.**