Field Worker

Organization:
The Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics (FIND) is an international non-profit organization based in Geneva, Switzerland, 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 a key implementing partner of the Central Tuberculosis Division, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, for strengthening and expanding tuberculosis (TB) laboratory diagnostic capacity within the Revised National TB Control Program (RNTCP) supported by the Global Fund. 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. FIND in India has several projects in the area of TB, Hepatitis C (HCV), Malaria, Fever and Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR).

TB remains a life-threatening disease partly due to increasing incidence of multidrug and extensively drug-resistant TB. Diagnosis based on culture and conventional drug susceptibility testing using media take several weeks leading to prolonged periods of ineffective therapy and ongoing transmission. Development of rapid molecular diagnostic tests for the identification of Mycobacterium tuberculosis (MTB) and drug resistance has become a high priority.

Several novel assays have been recently developed/CE-marked offering high sample throughput and higher sensitivity for detection of MTB, RIF- and INH-resistance in centralized laboratories. However, published data on their performance and operational characteristics is extremely limited. The cobas® MTB for use on the cobas® 6800/8800 Systems is an automated, qualitative in vitro diagnostic test, that utilizes real-time polymerase chain reaction. The cobas MTB-RIF/INH test is intended to be used as a reflex test for samples tested as positive for Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex by the cobas MTB test. This test is an automated, qualitative real-time PCR test designed to detect rifampicin and isoniazid resistance. FIND is conducting a multicenter study to assess the performance of centralized assay solutions for detection of MTB and resistance to rifampin and isoniazid in India.

For more information about the organization, please visit http://www.finddx.org/

Location: Regional Medical Research Centre, Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

Job responsibilities:
- Screen subjects to be included in the study as per the eligibility criteria outlined in the study protocol. Obtain informed consent from study participants, collect the necessary specimens for testing in the laboratory and complete the study documentation following the study procedures
- Perform clinical data entry (paper case report form and electronic database)
- Coordinate and conduct follow-up visits according to the study protocol.
- Collaborate effectively with project team, compile and share periodic project updates, participate in trainings, meetings, and discussions.
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- Undertake other responsibilities assigned by site project manager and the FIND technical team, as per project needs

Education and skill requirements/Desired experience:
- B.Sc. Nursing OR B Sc. with Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT), with minimum one-year experience in relevant field
- Good oral and written communication skills
- Attention to detail
- Strong team orientation
- Ability to work independently, with minimum handholding and supervision

Nature of appointment:
The selected candidate shall be based in Bhubaneswar and will be a Project Linked consultancy contract until 30 April 2021.

Compensation offered:
The gross remuneration budgeted for the position shall be commensurate with the qualifications, experience and salary history, of the selected candidate.

Deadline to send your application:
Please mail a motivation letter, a detailed resume and three references to HR-IN@finddx.org by 15 March 2020

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.