State PPM Lead  
(JEET Project)

Organization:  
FIND, the global alliance for diagnostics, seeks to ensure equitable access to reliable diagnosis around the world. We connect countries and communities, funders, decision makers, healthcare providers and developers to spur diagnostic innovation and make testing an integral part of sustainable, resilient health systems. We are working to save 1 million lives through accessible, quality diagnosis, and save US$1 billion in healthcare costs to patients and health systems. We are co-convener of the Access to COVID-19 Tools (ACT) Accelerator diagnostics pillar, and a World Health Organization Collaborating Centre for Laboratory Strengthening and Diagnostic Technology Evaluation.

FIND India, with its office in New Delhi, is an independent non-profit organization created under Section 8 of the Indian Companies Act, 2013. The organization is dedicated to activities focused on introducing and expanding quality assured, rapid, accurate and accessible diagnostic solutions for several infectious and non-communicable diseases. FIND India has undertaken several projects focused on TB, viral hepatitis C, COVID-19, and Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR).

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Overall Project Objective:  
FIND India is implementing a Global Fund-supported project titled Joint Effort for Elimination of Tuberculosis (JEET), with an aim to partner with the private sector in various States of India to increase notifications, microbiological confirmation of TB patients, and facilitate early treatment initiation and adherence support systems for improved treatment completion rates with mechanisms to reduce the high costs to TB patients. JEET activities take a multi-pronged approach to engage with the private sector, following the National Strategic Plan mantra to “go where the patients go”. The project therefore proposes to work closely with the patient at all the touchpoints. These include chemists, pharmacies, clinics, providers, hospitals, laboratories, and Revised National TB Control Programme (RNTCP). To assist with the delivery of this project FIND is seeking an experienced PPM Lead with a health-care background. We are looking for highly motivated individuals with outstanding credentials and with experience working in TB control to join us as State PPM Lead (SPPM-State Public Private Mix).

This position is intended to cover the operations for the JEET project. It will be part of the team that will work to ensure that private sector engagement is coordinated across the country, that donor processes are complied with, and will provide oversight of JEET activities conducted at the State Project Management Unit (SPMU) level and below. In each of FIND India’s assigned states under the JEET project, the SPMU will further coordinate and oversee activities. In certain identified cities, a Patient Provider Support Agency (PPSA) would be responsible for continuous, end-to-end engagement with the private sector to provide quality TB services to patients seeking care in this sector.

No of vacancies: 03

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Location: Chandigarh (Punjab), Bangalore (Karnataka), Kolkata (West Bengal)

Your responsibilities:
- Engage with Revised National TB Control Programme (NTEP) 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 NTEP staff with all the necessary information related to the project and communicate project updates to them regularly
- Work with the NTEP staff to facilitate availability of public sector commodities (diagnostics and FDCs)
- Support NTEP staff in creation of a State Technical Working Group (STWG) with relevant stakeholders and facilitate coordination amongst the STWG members
- Identify training needs for city officers and PPM NTEP staff and organize the same in coordination with NPMU
- Providing technical support to NTEP 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 NTEP
  - Experience in managing project budget
- Proven ability to work in a public health setup with decision-makers
- Ability to coordinate with internal & 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 need of the job.

Nature of appointment: The selected candidate shall be offered fixed term employment contract till March 2022.
Compensation: FIND India offers a competitive salary and shall be commensurate with the skill and experience of the selected candidate.

Deadline to send your application: 10 September 2021

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

Due to high applicant volume, you may not receive a response from FIND India. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. (But don’t wait until the deadline! We will start screening right away and if we find the right person, we will stop searching)