



REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH
PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNIT (PIU)

HEALTH SYSTEM STRENGTHENING PROJECT ADDITIONAL FINANCING (HSSP AF)
Project ID: P128909
**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
FOR
Death Registration and Cause-of-Death Plan Developer Consultant**

Unlike birth registration, the certification of death is complicated and has very limited coverage. Registration of death is mandatory by the Liberian Public Health Law of 1976, which states that the MOH shall register all deaths within 24 hours after their occurrence. However, this regulation has not been implemented to its fullest by the Ministry due to limited access to death registration services and information on the importance and need for death certificates. Apart from the mentioned probable reasons for low registration of deaths, traditional and religious practices contribute to low registration in Liberia. Death certificates are usually processed in Liberia with the objective to obtain insurance benefits, to settle inheritance issues and not as a requirement for burial and documentation of cause of death.

Additionally, the registration and classification of deaths is not based on the International Classification of Diseases (ICD). The use of full ICD or Short Mortality List in the Liberia health and CRVS systems is non-existent. This makes mortality data incomparable with other countries.

It is against this backdrop that the Ministry of Health with support from the Global Financing Facility (GFF) and the World Bank is hiring a consultant to develop a comprehensive five years death registration improvement plan and operational manual to enhance death registration and cause-of-death processes and increase its coverage

Objectives of the Assignment:

The objectives of the consultancy are:

1. To revise death registration improvement plan including recording of causes of death;
2. To develop birth and death registration operational and training manuals; and
3. To train trainers of trainer or facilitators on developed manual and training materials.

Key deliverables

The key deliverables of the consultancy are:

1. To finalize copies of the Death Registration Plan and Cause-of-Death Plan; and
2. To develop birth and death registration operational and training manuals;

Qualification and Experience

Education

1. The consultant must have master degree in Public Health, Health Informatics or other related fields.
2. Graduate degree in medicine or being a medical doctor is an added advantage
3. Must have knowledge in the development of Operational and Training Manuals;
4. Proof of having training skills or has done training

Experience:

1. The consultant must have over 5 years of experience in training and operational manual development;
2. Must have vast experience in civil registration and vital statistics system in Liberia, including death registration;
3. Must have experience and expertise in development of operational plans and registration forms;

Skills & Competency

1. Expertise in CRVS issues with at least 10 years of field experience in systems strengthening in developing countries;
2. Strong evidence of teamwork and facilitation skills. Experience working with government ministries and CRVS partner organizations is required;
3. Must be capable to work with individuals with diverse background

Duration of the Assignment: The assignment is expected to cover two (2) months period.

An individual consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers* dated January 2011 revised July 2017.

Interested consultants may obtain further information including a detailed Terms of Reference from the address listed below. All Expression of Interests should be sent electronically to emails listed below. Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by email on or before **January 16, 2019 10:00 hours (GMT)**. All applications must indicate position applied for and marked **LR-MOHSW-65167-CS-INDV**

NB: Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

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