TECHNICAL ADVISOR- HIS

Background:
The International Training and Education Center for Health (I-TECH) is a global network that works with local partners—ministries of health, non-governmental organizations, academic institutions, civil society—to develop strong national health systems in resource-limited countries. I-TECH is based within the Department of Global Health (DGH) in the Schools of Medicine and Public Health, at the University of Washington (UW) in Seattle, Washington. UW is a premier academic and research institution with over $1 billion in research-grant funding. As the largest center within DGH, I-TECH administers projects sponsored by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the U.S. Health and Human Services’ Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), the U.S. Department of Defense, USAID, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and the National Institutes of Health.

Mission:
Since 2005, I-TECH has leveraged expertise from the UW to support the Kenyan MOH in advancing priorities in the areas of HIS, HIS leadership and governance, Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA), and evidence-based Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) practices. I-TECH Kenya’s programs aim to improve the quality of patient care and enable health care facilities and the Kenya government to meet their health information, data collection, and reporting needs. I-TECH Kenya’s GHSA funded programs aim to advance GHSA through strengthening information systems and reporting and improving IPC in health care facilities.

Position Summary:
The Technical Advisor – Health Information Systems will be responsible for coordinating Technical Assistance to MOH and partners to develop capacity for governance of digital health investments. This position will also serve as technical resource for ongoing digital health implementations.

Primary Responsibilities:
1. Act as a liaison between I-TECH, MoH and stakeholders in the development technical content of policies and standards
2. In consultation with the Policy Advisor and PI, advise MoH of global standards that guide policy and implementation frameworks for digital solutions.
3. Liaise with MoH, stakeholders and I-TECH’s technical team in defining the technical specifications, format and content of Information Systems including Unique Identification.
4. Review a wide scope of literature relating to health information systems and incorporate relevant knowledge into evolving documents.
5. Work with MoH to apply the developed standards into policy and develop systems for the enforcement of health information system standards.
6. Recommend and repackage the standards into usable formats that promote conversion from technical documents into end user-friendly formats.

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7. Together with MoH, guide the dissemination and use of policy by stakeholders and sub-national units.
8. Review published standards and documentation materials and recommend revisions or changes in scope, format and content.
9. Other duties as assigned.

NOTE: This job description is not intended to be all-inclusive. Employee may perform other related duties as negotiated to meet the ongoing needs of the organization.

**Position Relationships:**
This position will be accountable to the Country Representative.

**Required Education, Training & Experience:**
- Post graduate Degree in Health Informatics, Information Systems / Technology (or related technical degree)
- At least Seven (10) years’ progressive work experience in developing or implementing digital solutions.
- Knowledge of technical documentation for information systems
- Direct Experience working with health information systems in Kenya
- Knowledge of terminologies and standards used in Health and Health informatics
- Demonstrated knowledge of Kenya Health information eco-system
- Good interpersonal and communication skills

**Application Instructions:**
Please submit applications to jobs@itech-kenya.org.

*Note: This position is only through September 29, 2020.*