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Junior Professional Officer		
<i>Public Health Officer</i>		
World Health Organization	Closing date: 14 December 2015	
I General information		
Title:	Public Health Officer	
Sector of Assignment:	Emergency Health Support	
Country:	Switzerland	
Location (City):	Geneva	
Agency:	World Health Organization	
Duration of Assignment:	Initially one year with the possibility to extend up to 3 years	
Grade:	P1 step 1 or P2 step 1 in the first year, depending on the level of education and relevant working experience	
<p>Note: This post is opened in the context of the Junior Professional Officer (JPO) scheme sponsored by the Government of the Netherlands and is addressed exclusively to candidates from developing countries. Candidates MUST BE NATIONALS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THAT APPEAR ON THE LIST OF THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES FOR THE DUTCH JPO PROGRAMME:</p> <p>http://www.nedworcfoundation.nl/pdf/List%20of%20eligible%20developing%20countries%20-%202015.pdf</p> <p>For criteria see the website of Nedworc Foundation: http://www.nedworcfoundation.nl/Index.htm?hoofdpath=/NL/JPO/General%20Information.htm&hoofdhash</p> <p>Please read the criteria and FAQ section carefully before considering applying</p>		
II Duties, responsibilities and Output Expectations		
General		
<p>Under the direct supervision of the SCT Coordinator who reports the Director, ERM, the Junior Professional Officer (JPO) will provide a country support to new humanitarian emergencies and/or protracted emergencies through tracking humanitarian health issues, sharing this information as needed, flagging key issues of concern, reviewing project proposals, reports and other communications to back up response and coordination across Country, Regional and HQ Offices and technical programmes. The JPO will also facilitate and attend regular teleconferences with relevant Regional and Country Office teams. Through these activities and other opportunities, WHO will provide mentoring and other opportunities to strengthen the incumbent's understanding and competency in emergency readiness and response to further their personal and career development.</p>		
<p>The JPO, in collaboration with the supervisor, WHO colleagues and stakeholders, will be expected to perform a range of duties and responsibilities, including:</p>		
<i>Responsibility 1</i>		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyse information on health threats, activities and outcomes, and advise on their dissemination to WHO technical programmes.
<p>Responsibility 2</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyse health information from a broad range of health actors, and recommend actions for the elaboration of emergency work plans and strategies, including consolidating health data on trends and trends assessment, with particular attention to surveillance, monitoring and early warning.
<p>Responsibility 3</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify gaps in the delivery of health services or emergency interventions, recommending appropriate actions and innovative approaches to improve the situation; analyse existing coordination mechanisms, and/or recommend improvements.
<p>Responsibility 4</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in teleconferences with relevant Regional and Country Office teams producing and circulating minutes, related decisions and tracking the latter, and developing detailed “lessons learnt” reports documenting achievements and obstacles to implementation, gaps in the health care delivery and the funding level as well recommendations and improvements to current and future emergencies, constantly assessing situations and needs.
<p>Responsibility 5</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in the development of project proposals to mobilize resources.
<p>Responsibility 6</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perform other tasks as assigned by the supervisor in support of the Department’s work on humanitarian response.
<p>III Training component: Learning elements and expectations</p>
<p>Upon completion of the assignment, the JPO will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understand WHO emergency response procedures in a changing environment Constructing, communicating and strategizing a public health response to various hazards and events within the humanitarian response architecture Understanding overall humanitarian architecture <p>The JPO position includes a Duty travel and training allowance (DTTA) of \$4000 per year which may be used for learning activities related to the assignment and career development.</p>
<p>The JPO training programme includes the following learning elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Familiarization with emergency SOPs. Different technical briefings/debriefings Analysis of health data and its trend in specific countries (emergency and protracted) affected by complex emergencies and natural disasters Identification of gaps and ways to fill them , formulation of key elements of emergency response plans 3 level teleconferences with graded emergency countries Online training (webinar): Transformative Agenda webinars by Senior Transformative Agenda Implementation Team (STAIT)
<p>IV Supervision</p>
<p>Title of supervisor: Surge and Crisis Support Team</p>
<p>Content and methodology of supervision</p> <p>Supervision will be provided according to WHO system:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> development of an annual work plan, quarterly plan reviews;

- performance assessed based on the achievement of expected results;
- close supervision will be provided through regular meetings with the supervisor and through interaction with experienced members of WHO office.

V Required Qualifications and Experience

Education:

Master's degree in public health or public health-related discipline or management or health policy/planning.

A first-level university degree (Bachelor's degree or equivalent) in combination with qualifying experience (4 years of relevant working experience, but not more than 5 years) may be accepted in lieu of an advanced university degree".

Part of the candidates' academic training must have taken place in a developing country that appears on the following list of eligible countries of the Dutch JPO Programme.

<http://www.nedworcfoundation.nl/pdf/List%20of%20eligible%20developing%20countries%20-%202015.pdf>

Working experience :

2 to maximum 4 years relevant working experience, with at least two years of professional experience in the development or implementation of emergency health programmes.

Desirable: Experience in working in developing countries preferably in the context of emergency relief response. Good knowledge of the UN System, especially in the area of humanitarian response and policy

Languages:

Excellent knowledge of written and spoken English.

Desirable: knowledge of any other official UN language.

Key competencies

- Respecting and promoting individual and cultural differences
- Communication
- Team work
- Producing results

VI Background information on Agency/Department/Section

The objectives of WHO's emergency programme are to design & implement programmes that prepare the health sector to deal with emergencies & that improve health during and after crises. The objectives of WHO's emergency response team are to support Member States by: (1) promptly assessing health needs of populations affected by crisis, identifying priority causes of ill-health & death; preparing damage estimates & emergency response and rehabilitation plans; providing prompt, credible health information & ensuring the continuity of essential health services; (2) coordinating/monitoring emergency health relief efforts under the aegis of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee Health Cluster, of which WHO is the lead agency; 3) ensuring that critical health response gaps are rapidly identified & filled; 4) revitalizing & building the capacity of national health systems to deal with preparedness, mitigation & response.

The implementation of the ongoing WHO Emergency Reform will frame this assignment. The WHO Emergency Reform focuses on strengthening and consolidating WHO's capacities and partnerships to prepare and respond, and support country capacity building, for all types of emergencies that impact on people's health and disrupt the delivery of health care services. Major milestones in the Emergency Reform process are the next WHO Executive Board meeting in January 2016 and the World Health Assembly in May 2016 when Member States will consider the reports on the progress on the reforms.

VII Information on living conditions at Duty Station

Geneva is a historic European city and well-established international centre for a variety of issues requiring multilateral cooperation and global governance. Living conditions in Geneva, once settled, are easy. It should be noted that, at the moment, there is a great demand for housing and therefore finding appropriate housing may take some time. Just under half of the UN staff in Geneva live across the border in France where rents are somewhat lower.

In terms of schooling, children of UN staff attend school in either the Swiss public or private school system, the (bilingual) International School of Geneva or the International Lycée in Ferney Voltaire (France), which follows the French school curriculum and in addition offers a number of language options (including English, Arabic, German, Italian, Spanish, Dutch, etc).

Medical services are readily available. Geneva is centrally located and has excellent road, rail and air connections to the rest of Europe and a direct daily flight to New York (other intercontinental flights connect via Zurich).

VIII How to apply

Please complete the P11 form http://sas.undp.org/Documents/P11_Personal_history_form.docx and attach it with a cover letter to your online application at this link:

https://jobs.undp.org/cj_view_job.cfm?cur_job_id=61742

Kindly note that applications without a filled in and signed P11 are not considered complete and will not be reviewed.

Applications must be received no later than **14 December 2015**. Applications received after this date will not be considered. Applicants will receive a confirmation of receipt. **Only short-listed candidates will be contacted thereafter.**

For more details about this vacancy and the JPO Programme, please visit <http://www.jposc.undp.org>

Applicants will receive acknowledgement of receipt of their submission.

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