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Junior Professional Officer

Violence against Women

WHO

Closing date: 9 November 2014



I General information

Title:	Technical Officer (Violence Against Women)
Sector of Assignment:	Department of Reproductive Health and Research(RHR)
Country:	Switzerland
Location (City):	Geneva
Agency:	WHO
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

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 with the Dutch Nationality**.

For criteria see the website of Nedworc Foundation:

<http://www.nedworcfoundation.nl/Index.htm?hoofdpath=/NL/JPO/General%20Information.htm&hofdhash>

- Please read the criteria and FAQ on the Nedworc website carefully before considering applying.

II Duties, responsibilities and Output Expectations

General

To contribute to RHR's work to end violence against women by providing support to ongoing research and policy initiatives that aim to generate and disseminate evidence, develop tools and guidance and support countries in the implementation of health systems based strategies, research and other related activities to address violence against women through.

Responsibility 1

To support implementation of WHO guidelines for the health system response to violence against women by assisting with the development of tools, including capacity building materials, for researchers and practitioners. In particular, to assist with:

- Review of existing curricula on violence against women for health care providers
- Organizing a meeting of specialists in the field
- Preparing an outline for a curriculum

Responsibility 2

To support the generation and summarizing of evidence on violence against women. This would include:

- Carrying out literature reviews
- Some statistical analysis
- Synthesis of findings in reports, briefs and manuscripts for advocacy and scientific purposes

- Developing research agenda

Responsibility 3

To support the management of databases on gender-based violence.

III Training component: Learning elements and expectations

Upon completion of the assignment the JPO will have/ will be able to:

- Know how to carry out systematic reviews
- Prepare technical papers
- Understand the complexities of research and policy development in this area

The JPO training programme includes the following learning elements:

- To carry out systematic reviews
- Increased ability to analyse and summarize information and data effectively
- Ability to write technical manuscripts and reports
- Understanding of how to work with countries on review and implementation of tools and guidelines
- Understanding how an international organization works

IV Supervision

Title of supervisor: Lead Specialist (Violence Against Women)

Content and methodology of supervision

- Objectives and outputs agreed at the beginning of the assignment and entered into an electronic 'performance management development system' (PMDS).
- Formal reviews take place at mid-term and end of term and are entered into the system.
- Specific tasks agreed at starting date and review of progress through weekly or biweekly meetings.

V Required Qualifications and Experience

Education:

Minimum: Advanced degree in health (public health, or other health related science) or social work, psychology or other related social science.

Desirable: post-graduate training in gender studies or reproductive health

Working experience :

Preferably 2 to maximal 4 years relevant working experience, in research or policy position at academic, government or international or national non-governmental organization.

Desirable: at least 6 months experience working on issues related to violence against women or other women's health issue.

Languages : Fluent in English; French or Spanish desirable

Key competencies

- Ability to communicate well, including good writing skills
- Ability to analyse and summarize information and data effectively
- Project management and organizational skills
- Respectful of individual and cultural differences
- Ability to work in a team

VI Background information on Agency/Department/Section

WHO/RHR helps people lead healthy sexual and reproductive lives by strengthening capacities of countries to provide quality information and services that enable people to protect their own sexual and reproductive health and that of their partners.

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

Applications can only be done through the following web-link:

http://www.jposc.org/content/programme/current_vacancies-en.html

https://jobs.undp.org/cj_view_job.cfm?cur_job_id=50577

Applications must be received no later than **9 November 2014**. Applications received after this date will not be considered

Applicants will receive acknowledgement of receipt of their submission
Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.