

OPEN POSITION: Bi-lingual French/English Learning Consultant

REPORTS TO: Senior Program Director

LOCATION: Remote

HIRING NEED: July to September 2024 - part time, approximately 10 hours per week

BACKGROUND

CORE Group fosters collaborative action and learning to improve and expand community-focused public health practices. Established in 1997 in Washington D.C., CORE Group is an independent not-for-profit hybrid, membership organization, and home of the International Community Health Network, which brings together over 15,000 global health practitioners - CORE Group member organizations, scholars, advocates, and donors to support the global health of underserved women, children, adolescents, and communities around the world. Learn more here: www.coregroup.org.

CORE Group also implements projects including CORE Group Partner Project, SRMNCAH Small Grants Program, Agency For All SBC Research project, and MOMENTUM Immunization project.

PROJECT SUMMARY

Millions of children in fragile parts of the Sahel and the Horn of Africa remain functionally invisible to health systems, missing out on life-saving vaccines as a consequence. In a bid to help governments fix that, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance has launched a novel kind of partnership, a kind of immunization superleague called ZIP, or the Zero-dose Immunization Program. The program prioritizes the Sahel and Horn of Africa regions, where government-run vaccination programs typically face challenges in reaching these children. In the Sahel region, World Vision heads up a consortium of organizations including the African Christian Health Association Platform (ACHAP), Food for the Hungry, CORE Group and other local partners to increase immunization in blind-spots across Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic (CAR), Chad, Niger, Nigeria and Mali. In the Horn of Africa, the International Rescue Committee (IRC) leads a network of partners to reach vulnerable zero-dose populations in Ethiopia, Somalia, South Sudan and Sudan.

Reaching and Adapting Immunization Services to Reach Zero-Dose Children in the Sahel (RAISE 4 Sahel) is a Gavi-funded project (2022-2025) aimed at identifying and reaching zero-dose children living in displaced, humanitarian, and conflict-affected settings in the seven Sahel countries. In addition, the project aims to address broader community and health system challenges to understand why certain countries still have zero-dose children, and to find ways to ensure the resilience of services in reaching these children and communities in need of essential services. The project's main goal is to strengthen immunization efforts for zero-dose and under immunized children in areas that are not being reached by national immunization programs. Special attention will be given to children living in areas beyond the reach of routine immunization, as well as mobile populations and refugees who cross borders.

Within the RAISE 4 Sahel Consortium, CORE Group is responsible for implementing a communication and knowledge sharing strategy that aligns with the ZIP project's IRMMA framework (Identify, Reach, Measure and Monitor, Advocate). As technical experts, CORE Group supports the project country

secretariats in developing tools and informational materials to keep stakeholders informed about the progress in improving immunization coverage among zero-dose and under-immunized children living in fragile contexts in the Sahel. Collaborating with the country secretariats, CORE Group takes the lead in creating evidence-based knowledge products. We share learnings from the project, contributing to the consortium and Gavi's knowledge.

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Learning Consultant will be responsible for leading the learning goals of the project. The Consultant will work with CORE Group and Secretariat staff to analyze findings and document project learnings. The Consultant will also be expected to lead a one to two day in person capacity building session for Project Management and Secretariat staff around lessons learned. The Consultant will work with staff to inculcate a learning culture and demonstrate how learning can spring from successes as well as from challenges. The consultant will take these learnings and work to broaden them into lessons that can be applicable in other ZIP countries or for others working to vaccinate zero dose children in humanitarian and conflict settings.

RESPONSIBILITIES

General responsibilities will include, but not be limited to the following:

Provide technical support and management for the RAISE 4 Sahel project

- Capture project learnings, document and share with PMU.
- Use skills in sharing knowledge to find creative ways to respond to formal and informal learning questions, ensuring uptake of lessons learned.
- Provide guidance to colleagues and partners on learning and knowledge management techniques and uptake.
- Lead one to two day in person capacity building workshop on the concept of learning and practical ways to establish a learning culture.
- Establish collaborative partnerships with consortium members, technical experts, the donor, and other stakeholders.
- With the Communications and Knowledge Manager support communication on project learning related to reaching zero dose and under-immunized children in humanitarian settings.
- Represent CORE Group in meetings, forums, etc. that are of importance to CORE Group members and the broader CORE Group community as requested
- Participate in and lead external meetings and conferences, as requested, to share the progress and learning of the RAISE 4 Sahel project

REQUIREMENTS

Required Qualifications:

- Master's degree in public health, international studies, international development, or similar educational training
- Experience (at least 2 years) working in humanitarian settings such as refugee camps, IDP camps, or emergency response, preferably in West Africa.

- Demonstrated technical experience in use of learning techniques (3-5 years) and expertise working with low-and-middle-income countries with equitable approaches.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills in French and English required.
- Experience training others on learning techniques and learning products.
- Experience working with multiple cultures, remote teams and managing multiple time zones.
- Experience in Microsoft Suite, Office365, and video conferencing software.
- Ability to multi-task, solve problems and manage multiple deadlines under pressure.
- Must have the ability to work with flexibility in a team setting.
- Fluency in spoken and written English and fluency in spoken French required.

Desired Characteristics:

- Experience working with a non-governmental organizations.
- Knowledge of the Sahel context and the challenges related to vaccination in humanitarian settings and conflict- affected areas.
- Creative thinker with a proven ability to generate innovative ideas.
- Track record of successful engagement with external stakeholders and internal leaders.
- Demonstrated ability to identify, analyze, and resolve communication challenges.

CORE Group has an office in Washington DC and has a hybrid model of working. However, this position can be remote, from any location in the world, but must be available for United States East Coast (ET) time zone meetings, as well as time zones of the selected countries. Individuals from the Global South are encouraged to apply, as well as women, people living with disabilities, indigenous persons, and members of the LGBTQI+ community.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, please email your resume and cover letter to jobs@coregroup.org. Use "Learning Consultant" as the subject line. No phone calls, please. Only potential interviewees will be contacted.

Please apply by July 15, 2024