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Senior Associate, Vaccine Markets Team

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Company: Clinton Health Access Initiative, Inc

Location: Senegal

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Overview

of CHAI's Vaccines Program and Role:

CHAI's Vaccine Markets Team works with vaccine manufacturers, Gavi and other global stakeholders to improve availability, affordability and diversity of supply for vaccines.

The Covid-19 pandemic, and the global response to it, has revealed deep inequalities in the current structure of global health institutions and markets. For instance, One of the clearest demonstrations of this was the delays experienced by low and lower-middle-income countries (LMICs) in receiving Covid-19 vaccines, particularly in Africa. There is consensus that one driver of this inequality was the lack of vaccine manufacturing capacity on the African continent. Despite having the highest continental incidence of mortality caused by infectious diseases in the world, less than 1% of Africa's vaccine needs are met by products manufactured on the continent. Whilst the immediate issue of access to Covid-19 vaccines has (broadly speaking) been resolved, the lack of regional vaccine manufacturing capacity remains.

CHAI aims to help address this issue by applying the techniques it has used successfully in working with suppliers and procurers to optimize the African vaccine ecosystem. On the supply-side this entails developing commercial, costing and pricing strategies to support sustainable vaccine manufacturing businesses on the Africa continent. Whilst on the procurement-side this entails creating policy environments conducive to the procurement of African-made vaccines. In doing so, this project will ensure the availability of African-made vaccines at affordable yet commercially sustainable prices.

The Vaccines Markets team is seeking a Technical Advisor to support supplier, procurer, and partner facing engagements, with a focus on the emerging vaccine manufacturing ecosystem in Africa.

This Senior Associate may be based in Senegal, however this role is flexible to be based in a CHAI program country in Africa, pending Country Leadership approval. Travel may be expected up to 20-30%.

Responsibilities

We are seeking a highly motivated individual with outstanding analytical, strategic, communication and teamwork skills. Responsibilities include but are not limited to the following:

Supporting the strategic design of market-shaping interventions to support the African vaccine manufacturing ecosystem.

Driving quantitative and qualitative analysis to inform global policy and increase the evidence base for high-impact interventions.

Supporting technical assistance implementation to drive on-the-ground impact in scaling-up the African vaccine manufacturing sector (., business cases for vaccine technology transfers, policy proposals for the procurement of African-made vaccines).

Proactively developing and managing relationships with key partners to support the growth of the African vaccine manufacturing industry.

Leading preparation of presentations, reports, and other analyses to be shared with external stakeholders through white papers, conferences, and academic journal articles.

Creatively scoping and initiating projects that could contribute to further improving the African vaccine manufacturing ecosystem.

Qualifications

We are seeking exceptional and highly-motivated individuals with a genuine desire to maximize global health outcomes. An ideal candidate will be described as:

Intellectually curious – You have a desire to dig deeper than the surface, asking questions like: Why does this intervention perform better than another? What does this new information mean for my current conclusions? How might this intervention look different in another country?

Effective leader– You are able to find a balance between delegation and control when managing a team, giving more junior team members opportunities to learn and grow whilst ensuring high-quality team output

Insightful– You draw cogent conclusions from large amounts of analysis, sharing what is relevant for real-world challenges the Incubator team is trying to address

Practical– You demonstrate judgment in how you allocate your efforts when balancing multiple priorities, focusing on the most decision-critical aspects, and dynamically changing these priorities in response to changing circumstances

Analytical – You are comfortable working with large amounts of quantitative and qualitative data and effectively extracting logical conclusions and recommendations from this analysis

Communicative– You can respectfully and effectively navigate varied and sensitive stakeholder environments, including in-country teams to senior donor executives

Rigorous– You take pride in your work and have high standards for what you produce, creating analysis that can stand up to the scrutiny of internal and external parties

Passionate– You are passionate about helping improve global health as much as possible

There is no ‘perfect’ candidate for this role. We are seeking dedicated and passionate individuals who want to make a difference in global health outcomes. Whatever your background, if this role excites you, please apply.

Requirements:

Minimum of a Bachelors degree.

Minimum 3 years of professional experience including in a fast paced, results-oriented work environment (., strategy consulting, pharmaceuticals, health financing).

Proven analytical skills and the ability to work independently and handle multiple priorities simultaneously.

Excellent interpersonal skills, and demonstrated ability to build strong relationships with individuals of varying levels of seniority.

Clear strategic thinker with very strong problem-solving skills.

Available for up to 20-30% travel.

High level of proficiency in Microsoft Office, particularly Excel, PowerPoint, and Word.

English language fluency, both written and verbal.

Advantages:

Experience working remotely with a decentralized team.

Experience in vaccines, biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, and/or procurement.

Experience working in or supporting Low and Middle Income Countries.

Prior knowledge or experience of global health partners within the vaccine ecosystem.

Fluency in other languages, particularly French or Arabic.

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