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Post of overall Research Coordinator (1 post)

Title of the research: A prospective cohort study on environmental and behavioural risk factors for declining kidney functions

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Background of the project

The research will be carried out in the selected Grama Niladari (GN) areas in the Medawachchiya AGA division to identify the causative agent/s for the unknown kidney disease.

Duties & Responsibilities

- Assist the Principal Investigator and the Regional Epidemiologist to carry out the field data collection process.
- Establish a good rapport with the area MOH / PHI / PHM and the Grama Niladari to get their fullest corporation for the field data collection
- Provide the leadership to the group of health volunteers selected to support the field data collection process.
- Identify the locations to carry out the field clinics in each village.
- These locations should have electricity, water and seating facilities.
- Overall research coordinator (along with the bio-banking coordinator) should visit those selected sites and be personally satisfied with the available facilities.
- These places should be identified at least 2 weeks prior to the field data collection.
- Inform the selected individuals about the data collection and get their participation.
- Organize the food and transport facilities for the field data collection staff
- Assist the blood drawing procedures and bio-banking tube preparation procedures when need arises.
- After the clinic data collection, water and rice sample collection should be done by personally visiting the selected households according to the protocol.

- He should make arrangements to send those samples to the relevant laboratories.
- Selected individuals for the cohort study need to be followed up contacting them over the phone monthly basis and visiting their houses if need arises.

Desired qualification

- Person with a Nursing Degree or Nursing undergraduate
- Currently living in Anuradhapura District
- Should possess a valid riding license
- Agreed to work until the research is completed

Age limit: below 35 years

Salary: Rs. 35,000/- per month + Transport allowance Rs. 5000/- per month + Communication allowance Rs. 2000/- per month

Working Hours: 8.15a.m – 6.00p.m. Tuesday to Sunday (Monday off)

Duration: on contract basis for a period of 04 months starting from November 2018

Candidates are invited to submit their completed CVs, including copies of relevant documents contacts details & references on or before 26th October 2018 to the following address or E-mail to chepid@slt.net.lk

Only the short listed applicants will be called for the interview. The final decision with regard to selection will be made by the Principal Investigator and the Chief Epidemiologist.

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