

**UNICEF FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE**

**VACANCY NOTICE**

*If you are a committed and creative individual and are passionate about making a lasting difference for children, the world's leading children's rights organization would like to hear from you.*

*For 60 years, UNICEF has been working on the ground in 190 countries and territories to promote children's survival, protection and development. The world's largest provider of vaccines for developing countries, UNICEF supports child health and nutrition, good water and sanitation, quality basic education for all boys and girls, and the protection of children from violence, exploitation, and AIDS. UNICEF is funded entirely by the voluntary contributions of individuals, businesses, foundations and governments.*

Applications are invited from suitably qualified Sierra Leoneans for consideration to the following post:

Post:           **Nutrition Field Officer**       Level: **NOB**

Duty Station: **Freetown**

Duration:       **11 Months**

**Purpose of the Position**

The main purpose of the position is to support the nutrition unit in monitoring of and supportive supervision for nutrition interventions, including strengthen the capacity of district nutritionists and implementing partners.

**Major duties and responsibilities:**

Under the general supervision of the Head of Field Office for day-to-day management (FO Nutrition Officers) and Nutrition Manager technical supervision and overall guidance, primarily responsible for monitoring to support efficient and effective delivery of nutrition interventions along with the programme goals and objectives. Fully responsible for monitoring with technical guidance to Implementing Partners in designated districts.

- Ensure the availability of accurate, complete and up-to-date information/data from implementation by partners, for effective nutrition programming,
- Ensure quality of nutrition interventions through monitoring and supportive supervision in PHUs and communities.
- Develop capacity of health staff in PHUs and implementing partners to implement CMAM and IYCF activities in designated districts
- Review and certify progress reports from implementing partners in designated districts.
- Ensure the effective communication and networking developed and maintained through partnership and collaboration.
- Collaborate and establish good working relation with other sector staff within UNICEF Field Office.
- Coordinate with local Government and sectorial stakeholders counterparts to exchange information on Nutrition programme implementation, status, capacity and risk mapping, preparedness as well as movement, prepositioning and distribution of supplies.

## **QUALIFICATION AND SKILLS:**

**Education:** University degree in Public Health, Nutrition, Social Sciences or related technical field or a field relevant to international nutrition.

**Work experience:** Minimum three (3) years of professional work experience in Nutrition, and/or Public Health monitoring and supportive supervision.

**Language:** Fluency in English required. Knowledge of Krio and the local working language is an asset

### **Other Competencies & Skills:**

- Communication
- Working with people
- Drive for Results
- Applying Technical Expertise
- Learning and Researching
- Planning and Organizing
- Essential professional knowledge of one or more of the technical areas of UNICEF programmes.
- Essential technical knowledge of the theories, principles and methods in the following areas: causes of malnutrition, community based management of acute malnutrition, community infant and young child feeding counseling and promotion, communication for behavior change, and coordination for food and nutrition security.
- Gender and diversity awareness
- General knowledge of:
  - Global human rights and gender issues, specifically relating to children and women.
  - Multi-sectorial coordination.

Applications should be forwarded under confidential cover marked “**Application Nutrition Filed Officer**” complete with an up-to-date C.V. and names of two referees (non relatives) to reach the **Chief of Operations, UNICEF, Central Medical Stores Compound, New England, Freetown** on or before **Wednesday 22 October, 2013**.

Please note that acknowledgement of application will be extended only to short-listed candidates.

**NOTE: UNICEF IS A SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT**  
**UNICEF is committed to diversity and gender equality in its workplace.**  
**Female candidates are particularly encouraged to apply**