

IDENTIFICATION	
JOB TITLE	Intern – Primary Health Care (PHC)
REPORTING TO	PHC Director
DEPARTMENT / UNIT	PHC, Health Systems Strengthening (HSS)
DURATION OF CONTRACT	6 Months
DUTY STATION	Nairobi, Kenya

### **BACKGROUND**

Amref Health Africa is a leading African health organization that works to ensure lasting health change across the continent. With over 60 years of experience, Amref Health Africa envisions a continent where every person has the opportunity to enjoy a healthy life. The organization's mission is to improve the health of people in Africa by partnering with and empowering communities, and strengthening health systems.

## **ABOUT THE PHC UNIT**

Primary Health Care (PHC) is widely acknowledged as a fundamental component of achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC). To realize UHC, health systems must be designed with a strong focus on PHC. At Amref, one of its key strategic platforms is investing in people-centered, community-led health systems to support sustainable PHC. The organization's mission is to ensure that every person in Africa has the right to health and well-being. Amref's approach centers on PHC by engaging directly with communities. As part of this commitment, Amref focuses on research, analysis, policy engagement, and advocacy, working to equip stakeholders and the countries where it operates with actionable insights and strategies for advancing sustainable PHC across the continent.

#### **JOB PURPOSE**

The PHC unit is seeking motivated and enthusiastic intern to join its team. The intern will play a crucial role in supporting the various initiatives aimed at advancing the strategic direction for PHC aligns with Sustainable Development Goals and the broader health agenda. This is an excellent opportunity for individuals interested in public health, policy and research analysis, and healthcare systems strengthening to gain practical experience and contribute to the PHC ecosystem in Africa.

# **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Research and Analysis: Conduct research on various aspects of PHC, including health systems strengthening, policy development, innovative approaches, and service delivery models. Analyze data and contribute to the creation of evidence-based resources.
- **Knowledge Generation:** Assist in producing knowledge products such as policy briefs, blogs, articles, case studies, and presentations. Help in translating complex research findings into accessible formats for diverse stakeholders.
- **Knowledge Management:** Support the PHC unit with collecting strategies and policy documents, updating existing platforms, attending meetings, and contributing to strategic discussions.
- Advocacy Support: Contribute to advocacy efforts by assisting in the development of advocacy
  materials and communication strategies to promote activities both in the PHC and Health Systems
  Strengthening Directorate
- **Collaboration:** Collaborate with multidisciplinary teams within the directorate and across the organization to integrate different perspectives into PHC related projects.

- **Event Participation:** Participate (and where applicable support organize) workshops, webinars, and conferences related to PHC and health system strengthening
- **HSS Directorate:** Support in Strategy alignment, technical assistance, and evidence generation and dissemination initiatives in the health system strengthening directorate.

### **QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS**

- A Bachelor's Degree /Diploma in public health, health policy, international development or a related field is highly desirable.
- Strong interest in and understanding of Primary Health Care, health systems strengthening, and global and regional health issues in African contexts.
- Excellent research and analytical skills, with the ability to synthesize complex information and communicate it effectively.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively in a diverse team and adapt to a dynamic working environment.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite and other relevant software applications.
- Proactive, self-motivated, and able to manage multiple tasks and deadlines.
- Knowledge of African health systems, policies, and development challenges is desirable.

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

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