



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
USAID
AMERICAN EMBASSY, ABIDJAN
COTE D'IVOIRE

ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 10-16

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates/All sources

POSITION: Health Economist; USAID/PSC; FSN-11

OPENING DATE: March 7, 2016

CLOSING DATE: March 21, 2015

WORK HOURS: Full-time, 40 hours/week

SALARY: Position Grade: FSN-11

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The U.S. Embassy/USAID in Abidjan is seeking an individual to fill a **Health Economist** position for the USAID Office in Cote d'Ivoire.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION

The Health Economist will provide technical and administrative support to USAID/Health CI in the areas of healthcare costing/financing, economic analysis, as well as broader health systems strengthening activities related to health sector planning and policy development. The health economist will have primary responsibility in tracking annual resource mobilizations by the GOCI and its other donors as well as USG (PEPFAR) in support of implementation of the national strategic plans to address HIV and AIDS through preventing the maximum number of new infections, reducing HIV/AIDS related morbidity and mortality, reducing the impact of the disease on individuals, families, society, businesses, and ensuring good governance and systems strengthening for program implementation. The health economist will track GOCI budgeting and financial cycles respectively in the Ministries of Plan and Finance to ensure that projections of recurrent cost implications of the national HIV/AIDS program are duly considered well ahead of time to ensure adequate preparations for shifting PEPFAR-supported costs into the national budget. As domestic resource mobilization is a key objective of U.S. Embassy Abidjan, the Health Economist has an important role to play in the furthering of this integrated country strategy objective.

The health economist will keep abreast of donor and regional financing initiatives to improve efficiencies in the utilization of available limited resources and advocate for increased resources, and advise both PEPFAR and the MSLS in the application of these cost reducing efforts.

S/he will take the lead for USAID/Health and, at times, PEPFAR and collaborate with host country counterparts in the design and oversight of health financing initiatives for the Cote d'Ivoire.

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available at <https://ci.usembassy.gov/embassy-consulates/jobs/>.

Important Notice: "Applicants must submit a completed DS-174 form, a current curriculum vitae (resume) that provides the same information listed in Appendix B and found on the UAE or a combination of both. To view the new form (English and French

versions) as well as the instructions for completing it, please click on the following link:
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When submitting your application via email, please always start the subject line with the Vacancy Announcement's number followed by the position title.

E.g.: VA No. 10-16; Health Economist

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

1. **Education (15%):** Master's degree in economics (or similar majors, e.g.: international development with finance/economics focus, health cost financing, econometrics, etc.) is required. Medical Doctor or MPH degree is an added advantage.
2. **Prior Work Experience (25%):** 8-10 years of experience with health sector programs in Cote d'Ivoire or a similar developing country. This should include experience at national level on development of public health policies and technical guidelines.
3. **Language Proficiency (10%):** Level VI (fluent) in both English and French (speaking, writing and reading) is required. ***Language proficiency will be tested.***
4. **Knowledge (25%):**
Demonstrated expertise in econometrics and in the conduct of health sector costing, performance based financing, cost-effectiveness and other economic studies;
5. **Skills and Abilities (25%):**
Ability to work well independently, with minimal management oversight, within a large multi-agency team whose purpose is to assist the host country government, numerous implementing partners and a wide range of beneficiaries.
Superior writing, research, analytical and communication/presentation skills and ability to produce reports/analyses within tight deadlines.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

The Human Resources Office
Attention: Recruitment Section
American Embassy, Abidjan
01 B.P. 1712 Abidjan 01
Cote d'Ivoire

Fax: (225) 22-49-41-02 or via email to: AbidjanHR@state.gov

POINT OF CONTACT

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The U.S. Mission in Abidjan provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital

status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.