



American Embassy

Subdivision 694/Stand 100,
Kabulonga District, Ibex Hill Road
P.O Box 31617, Lusaka District, 10101, Zambia

SENIOR SCIENCE ADVISOR

OPEN TO:	All Interested Candidates/All Sources
POSITION:	Senior Science Advisor, FSN 12; FP-3*
OPENING DATE:	September 26, 2012
CLOSING DATE:	October 10, 2012
WORK HOURS:	Full Time 40 hours/week
SALARY:	Ordinarily Resident (OR): ZMK 282,436,655.00 p.a. Starting salary) (Position Grade: FSN-12); Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR): \$76,219.00 USD p.a. (Starting salary) (Position Grade: FP-3)

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

The U.S. Embassy in Lusaka is seeking an individual for the position of Senior Science Advisor in the Mission's Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Office.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION

Incumbent provides technical guidance and leadership in the development of operational research projects and program evaluations; serves as the responsible in-country authority for the coordination, review and clearance of all CDC supported research projects, manuscripts and abstracts in Zambia. Ensures proper handling of personally identifiable information for all CDC-funded human subjects' activities. Reviews current program activities and data to identify gaps in research activities and to identify specific research needs. Develops policy and guidelines for local clearance of CDC-funded research activities and scientific publications.

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available in the Human Resources Office. Contact telephone number 357000 extension numbers 7286, 7136, or 7286.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

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

1. A Masters level degree in medicine, epidemiology, public health or other relevant research-related discipline is required.
2. A minimum of five years progressively responsible work experience in public health, a university or higher education setting, government or an international organization, (preferably including HIV related experience) is required. Work experience should include substantial involvement as a leader in research projects and/or special studies.
3. Level IV (fluent) speaking, writing, and reading English is required. Language proficiency will be tested.

4. Must have an in depth understanding of the research process as well as documentation and procedures required for the ethical review and clearance of projects and funding restriction mechanisms for these activities.
5. Must have a broad knowledge of the host country operational environment, including a good working knowledge of the environment for conducting research in Zambia and issues commonly encountered in the implementation of PEPFAR supported research activities in Zambia; an in-depth understanding of the structure and functions of CDC Zambia, including knowledge of CDC's role in support of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR).
6. Must have a demonstrated ability to guide, motivate and lead a technically diverse staff in designing complex operational research projects and public health evaluation studies; plan, coordinate and prioritize complex procedures related to IRB clearance; and analyze and report on the substantial USG resources allocated for operational research and evaluation studies in Zambia.

TO APPLY

Interested candidates for this position must submit the following for consideration of the application:

1. Universal Application for Employment (UAE) as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member (DS-174);
or
2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information found on the UAE; **or**
3. A combination of both; i.e. Sections 1 -24 of the UAE along with a listing of the applicant's work experience attached as a separate sheet; **plus**
4. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application. Candidates who claim conditional U.S. Veterans preference must submit documentation confirming eligibility for a conditional preference in hiring with their application.
5. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

The Human Resources Office
American Embassy
Subdivision 694/Stand 100, Ibex Hill Road, Lusaka District,
P.O. Box 31617, Lusaka.

HR_Lusaka@state.gov (Emailed applications preferred, but not required.)

POINT OF CONTACT

Telephone: 357-000 extension numbers 7284, 7286 or 7136.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: October 10, 2012

The U.S. Mission in Lusaka 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.

DEFINITIONS

1. Eligible Family Member (EFM): An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:

- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610);
- Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;
- Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
- Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.

2. U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM): For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen;
- EFM (see above) at least 18 years old;
- Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.

3. Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM): EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:

- Is a U.S. citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
- Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126, Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief of mission authority; and
- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
- Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity

4. Member of Household (MOH): An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:

- Not an EFM;
- Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee;
- Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, and other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

5. **Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR)** – An individual who:

- Is not a citizen of the host country;
- Does not ordinarily reside (*OR*, see below) in the host country;
- Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

6. **Ordinarily Resident (OR)** – A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:

- Is locally resident; and,
- Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

Only short listed candidates will be contacted.