GLOBAL HEALTH – TECHNICAL ADVISOR: SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (FRENCH)
Contract-1-year Term

The Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada (SOGC) is one of Canada’s oldest national specialty organizations. Established in 1944, the Society’s mission is to promote excellence in the practice of obstetrics and gynaecology and to advance the health of women through leadership, advocacy, collaboration, and education.

The SOGC has over 3,900 members, comprised of obstetricians, gynaecologists, family physicians, nurses, midwives, and allied health professionals working in the field of sexual reproductive health.

The SOGC’s Global Health Program is working to improve women’s sexual and reproductive health and rights at home and around the world, by addressing health inequities and promoting timely access to quality, culturally-safe care.

The Global Health Program focuses on the following areas:

- Upgrading the skills of health care workers in emergency obstetrical care, family planning and gender based violence in a reproductive rights framework;
- Development and adaptation of clinical practice guidelines and tools;
- Quality assurance tools and support mechanisms;
- Needs assessments and mapping exercises;
- Development and implementation of program monitoring and evaluation;
- Organizational capacity building of professional associations;
- Facilitating delivery of respectful maternity/reproductive care; and
- Advocacy and public education related to women’s reproductive health and rights.

The SOGC has experience leading and partnering in global health initiatives in countries around the world, most recently in Tanzania, Burundi, Malawi and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The SOGC is currently recruiting a technical advisor in sexual and reproductive health to assist with the implementation of an upcoming global health project related to sexual and reproductive health in a French speaking country. This 1-year term position is specifically designed to assist with the development of the project’s implementation plan (PIP) and to lead (the modification and/or development of tools which will be used to improve quality of sexual and reproductive health services during the project.

The Technical Advisor will work in close collaboration with the Project’s Manager and other members of the SOGC’s Global Health Program, the Chief Financial Officer, administrative assistant and other partners. His her tasks will include:

- Developing needs assessment tools, mapping tools and other tools to collect the necessary data related to the clinical component of the project;
• Providing technical assistance to local consultants hired for the evaluation exercises which will be conducted at the beginning of the project;
• Assisting with the development of the clinical component on the PIP plan;
• In collaboration with partners and SOGC experts, developing and/or modifying training tools to be used in the areas of emergency obstetrical care, adolescent health, fistulae prevention and repair and cervical cancer prevention, gender based violence and respectful maternity care.

The Technical Advisor must be a medical or allied health professional, with experience in evaluation, training and support supervision tools in the global health context.

**KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**
**but not limited to the following:**

• Provides technical expertise to the SOGC international projects and external organizations, when required;
• Leads the design and development of innovative, effective, country appropriate reproductive health and rights (RHR) material in collaboration with partners;
• Provides technical assistance to project manager and local partners, by contributing to assessing needs and developing guidance to ensure that services provided are client-centered and rights-based;
• Contributes to PIP, training plans, quarterly reports and other required technical reports;
• Stays up-to date on global best practices, new developments and emerging issues that affect project priorities;
• Liaises with SOGC committees and members on relevant issues, helps to coordinate and participates in meetings and teleconferences;
• Other duties as required by Director.

**QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE and KEY SKILLS**

• Holds a health professional designation specific to reproductive health or maternity care, (priority/preference to those with MPH or other health-related degree);
• Minimum four years of experience in a reproductive healthcare setting;
• Strong understanding of the role of professional associations in improving SRH outcomes internationally and nationally;
• Knowledge of family planning and reproductive health principles, practices and services, including strategies and indicators, and the latest professional developments in reproductive health;
• Proven skills in designing, monitoring, and evaluating development and intervention activities in a global health context;
• Ability to work effectively with different stakeholders
• A high degree of flexibility in managing change across a group of stakeholders in an inclusive manner;
• Experience working on projects in low-resource settings with an understanding of health systems and human resources for health, especially in Sub Saharan Africa and/or Caribbean;
Highly self-motivated and directed with keen attention to detail;
Ability to work both independently and in a team-oriented, collaborative environment;
Ability to strategically analyze data and performance and create solutions;
Ability to work under pressure;
Proficiency with MS Office: Word, Excel (Advanced), PowerPoint and Outlook;
Exemplary verbal and written communication in French: Knowledge of Creole and English a strong asset.
Works effectively in cross-cultural situations;
Strong ability to collaborate inter-professionally; and
Possibility of travel to low-resource countries.

ADDITIONAL JOB REQUIREMENTS

Ability to work evenings, weekends / overtime as needed

The SOGC is proud to provide equal employment opportunities to all employees and qualified applicants without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, age or disability. Accommodations are available on request for candidates with disabilities taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Should you be interested, please send your cover letter and resume to the attention of Liette Perron (lperron@sogc.com) by Friday, May 7, 2021. Please clearly demonstrate how you meet the requirements of the position in your application.