



College of Health Sciences  
School of Public Health

## ADVERT FOR PROJECT MANAGER POSITION

Position Title: Project Manager

Reports to: Uganda Site Principal Investigator, DASH Project at Makerere University School of Public Health.

### Background

Annually, 1.2 million adolescents die prematurely due to preventable or treatable causes, while many more suffer from poor health and disability. A high share of the global mortality and morbidity burden in adolescence occurs in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA). Adolescence is also a critical stage of life when important physical, cognitive and social developments take place, and critical behaviors related to diet, exercise, alcohol and tobacco use, violence and sexual behavior are developed. These developments and behaviors determine and shape behaviors well into adulthood and, with it, long-term health outcomes. Improving adolescent health, therefore, is paramount for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and creating healthy societies.

Under the DASH Project, Makerere University School of Public Health (MakSPH) is collaborating with other institutions in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) to evaluate interventions aimed at addressing key health **challenges among adolescents and young adults in SSA. DASH in full is:** "Research network for design and evaluation of adolescent health interventions and policies in Sub-Saharan Africa". The overarching and long-term goal of the DASH project is to boost adolescent health in SAA through rigorous population-based intervention and policy research.

### Position Description

The project seeks to hire a Project Manager to be responsible for coordinating the project activities at the Uganda site, and in collaboration with other DASH consortium partners. Thus the Project Manager will:

- i) Participate in the planning and preparation of field research activities
- ii) Coordinate the implementation of field research activities
- iii) Supervise the project field staff
- iv) Mobilize the support of community leaders, health care workers and other stakeholders for the research project, in the communities where the research is to be conducted
- v) Maintain appropriate communication between the Makerere site and the other project consortium partners
- vi) Organize and coordinate project meetings, workshops, etc.
- vii) Participate in the preparation of the periodic project reports, as well as maintaining appropriate records of the same
- viii) Perform any other project duties as may be assigned to you from time to time, by the Project Site PI.

Qualifications, Skills and Experience:

Suitable applicants MUST have:

- i) Training at **master's degree** level in Biostatistics, Public Health, or closely related field
- ii) A **Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of at least 4.0 at master's degree training from an accredited university**
- iii) Ability to travel up-country to supervise field staff that may sometimes require spending a few nights up-country
- iv) Ability to work independently, strong interpersonal communication skills, and ability to work with diverse sectors as well as meeting deadlines

How to apply:

Suitably qualified persons should email their application that must include the following:

- i) A one-page type written application letter addressed to the Dean, Makerere University School of Public Health, with **subject line "Application for Project Manager Position on the DASH Project."**
- ii) Up-to-date curriculum vitae,
- iii) Copies of the relevant academic certificates, transcripts, and appointment(s) on data management position(s)
- iv) Two letters of recommendation with a functioning email address and day-time phone number of relevant academic and/or employment supervisor referees

The above application documents must be submitted AS ONE PDF FILE to the following email address: [recruitment@musph.ac.ug](mailto:recruitment@musph.ac.ug), with the email subject line "Application for Project Manager Position on the DASH Project." Deadline for submission is by 5:00 pm on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

NB: Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for interviews. Canvassing for the position is prohibited and may lead to automatic disqualification.