



Job Description

Job Title: Lead Consultant, Evaluation of National Costed Plan of Action for Most Vulnerable Children (2013-2017) for Tanzania

Consultancy period: July 15, 2017 to November 30th, 2017

ABOUT WORLD EDUCATION Inc./Bantwana:

WEI/Bantwana is the technical lead for social welfare and a sub-partner to the John Snow Institute (JSI) on the USAID/PEPFAR-funded Community Health and Social Welfare Systems Strengthening project (CHSS). CHSS aims to expand and reinforce the HIV-sensitive integrated case management system in Tanzania, thus improving linkages and referral networks across the continuum of HIV services to better serve adolescent girls and young women, vulnerable children and people living with HIV.

Bringing a 60 year track record of innovation linking literacy and basic education to economic, health, social and civic development in more than 20 countries around the globe, World Education Inc. (www.worlded.org) is a leader in building the skills and resources of individuals, organizations, and governments and strengthening effective partnerships with communities, schools, institutions and the private sector to ensure that benefits to individuals, and entire communities, continue and increase over time. The Bantwana Initiative of World Education Inc. (WEI/Bantwana) improves the well-being of vulnerable children and their caregivers and families affected by HIV and AIDS and poverty. Bantwana brings a significant track record of excellence and innovation in improving access to and quality of integrated OVC care and support and systems strengthening. Across Mozambique, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zimbabwe, WEI/Bantwana reaches an estimated 500,000 vulnerable children and their caregivers annually with an integrated package of social protection and health services.

ABOUT THE NATIONAL COSTED PLAN OF ACTION FOR MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN 2013-2017 (NCPA II)

The National Costed Plan of Action for Most Vulnerable Children 2013 to 2017 (NCPA II) was developed to guide the implementation of actions and policies to enhance the well-being of MVC through protecting

their rights and providing and/or reducing the incidence of risks and the impact of shocks within a framework of well-resourced, and coordinated national multi-sector response. The NCPA II was developed by the (at the time) Ministry of Health and Social Welfare (MOHSW) through the Department of Social Welfare (DSW), in collaboration with other line ministries, development partners, and other stakeholders. Through government led and coordinated interventions, the NCPA II sought to achieve the following strategic objectives:

- To strengthen the Capacity of households and communities to protect, care and support MVC;
- To Increase access to effective, gender responsive child protection services within a well-resourced child protection system that has the best interest of the child at its core;
- Improve access and utilization of health care, education, and early childhood care and development (ECD) services; and
- Strengthen the coordination and leadership, policy and service delivery environment.

CHSS will support the Tanzanian Department of Social Welfare to evaluate the implementation of the NCPAII, including national level and community based assessments. The evaluation findings will be used by the Department of Social Welfare to inform the design of the NCPA III, which will have a strong focus on HIV epidemic control and its impact on MVCs.

RESPONSIBILITIES

WEI/Bantwana is looking for a highly qualified consultant to serve as the team leader to conduct the evaluation of Tanzania's National Costed Plan of Action for Most Vulnerable Children 2013-2017. This is a long term consultancy with an estimated level of effort of 4 months. This 4 month level of effort will be spread out over a period from July 15, 2017 through November 30, 2017. The consultancy will involve between 2 and 4 trips to Tanzania.

As team leader, the consultant will be responsible for:

- Working with the National Task Force and CHSS to develop, refine, and finalize the terms of reference for the evaluation;
- Conducting a review of relevant literature related to OVC programming in Tanzania, East Africa, and a synthesis of global lessons learned in delivering protection, care and support to OVC to control the HIV epidemic;
- Developing a draft inception report that describes the methodology and modalities of the evaluation;

- Presenting the inception report to the National Task Force, incorporating their feedback, and finalizing the inception report;
- Participating in the selection and recruitment of the evaluation team/firm that will be contracted to support the evaluation;
- Providing oversight for all aspects of the evaluation and supervising the evaluation team/firm that will be engaged by CHSS to conduct the data collection;
- Providing technical oversight to the evaluation team in the data analysis and ensuring the quality of the data analysis;
- Preparing the first draft of the evaluation report;
- Facilitating a consultation workshop to present the findings from the draft evaluation report to the National Task Force;
- Incorporating the feedback from the National Task Force to produce the final evaluation report.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Extensive experience in conducting evaluations, with experience in OVC, HIV and AIDS, and child protection;
- Prior experience as a team leader in an national level evaluation;
- Prior experience on large scale evaluations of implementation of national policy, particularly related to OVC and HIV and AIDS;
- Post graduate degree in social sciences, research, evaluation, or other related field;
- Strong quantitative and qualitative research skills, including research expertise in OVC, child protection, HIV and AIDS, poverty, child participation, and social welfare;
- Demonstrated understanding of HIV and AIDS and its impact on children and families in eastern Africa and Tanzania;
- Demonstrated understanding of the importance of OVC programming as a critical tool for achieving the UN goals of 90 90 90;
- Strong analytical and conceptual skills;
- Demonstrated ability to meet deadlines;
- Excellent communication skills and fluency in English;
- Knowledge of Kiswahili desired.

Interested candidates please email resumes to Eloisa Devietti at eloisa_devietti@worlded.org