Job Title:

Technical Advisor, Malaria Elimination

Company Profile:

The Asia Pacific Leaders Malaria Alliance (“APLMA”) unites 22 governments in Asia Pacific who have committed to eliminating malaria in the region by 2030. APLMA translates evidence to advocate for policy change at the highest levels of government and supports leadership collaboration across the region. By convening senior officials beyond health, evidence monitoring and reporting on progress and bottlenecks and facilitating cross-border collaboration, APLMA supports and provides governments and political leaders access to regional and national insights, as well as visibility on the game-changing approaches and tools they need to end malaria.

For more information go to: https://www.aplma.org/

Role:

With less than a decade left to achieving the goal of a malaria-free Asia Pacific by 2030, APLMA is at a critical inflection point in supporting political leadership and malaria programmes across the Region. Guided by a 10-year Strategic Framework and a four-year Programme Design (2022-2026), APLMA is well-positioned to continue building visibility for Asia Pacific both regionally and globally through robust technical advocacy.

The Technical Advisor will ensure the Secretariat’s outputs are technically rigorous so as to bolster advocacy efforts that increase the visibility for malaria elimination in Asia Pacific. He/She will report to the Executive Vice President for Strategy.

Responsibilities:

TECHNICAL INPUTS INTO DATA EVIDENCE GENERATION

- Work with the Evidence, Insights and Policy Team to identify and analyze trends in malaria across in Asia Pacific.
- Provide technical inputs in the concept and content development for abstracts/ manuscripts/ special issues regarding progress and challenges towards malaria elimination in Asia Pacific.
• Provide drafting support of articles, viewpoints, comments for submission to peer review journals.
• Development of ideas, drafting, and/or technical review of op-eds.
• Facilitate in country or other technical partnerships, identify co-authors, and support collaboration in the drafting of all materials.
• Evaluate the need/value for a prioritized agenda for operational research on malaria policy, identifying key research questions and study designs to generate evidence for policy development and program improvement in Asia Pacific. This will include working closely with external stakeholders such as national malaria programmes, APMEN Working Groups, research institutions, and implementing partners to first conduct a comprehensive review of existing research and evidence on malaria policy and interventions, identifying gaps and areas requiring further investigation.
• Lead the work of a prioritized operational research agenda for malaria policy and interventions, ensuring alignment with national and regional priorities, and other considerations, as informed from the comprehensive review.
• Coordinate the implementation of work related to evidence generation including malaria disease modelling and forecasting in collaboration with country programmes and other technical partners.

APMEN
• Serve as a thought partner to the APMEN Program Manager to identify new opportunities to leverage the APMEN Working Groups and their collective expertise to provide targeted country support.
• Help in the design, delivery, and implementation of APMEN-related programming.

ADVOCACY & COMMUNICATIONS
• Provide technical review of advocacy and communications related materials.
• Develop ideas, draft, and/or review of op-eds in collaboration with APLMA team and other partners.
• Support the review of APLMA blog posts for technical accuracy and generate ideas and content upon request.
• Work with the APLMA Communications team to review Case Studies or other communication materials for technical accuracy.

COUNTRY PARTNERSHIPS
• Serve as country focal point on India-related programming.
• Support APLMA Leadership in sustaining productive and effective relationships with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of
India, World Health Organisation, Global Fund, implementing partners and key stakeholders in India.

- As guided, support APLMA’s Cross-Border work in India and neighbouring countries to advance Cross-Border Advocacy.
- Support the management of consultants/APLMA staff to deliver the technical support required in India or other assigned country.
- Provide guidance on other non-India related programming where required.

OTHER

- Develop and deliver presentations, speaking points, and meeting minutes as requested by the CEO and/or Executive Leadership Team.
- Attend regional meetings, workshops, and conferences as a representative of APLMA.

Requirements:

QUALIFICATIONS

- Masters degree in public health or related field.
- PhD preferred.

EXPERIENCE

- Minimum 7 years experience in the implementation of malaria elimination programming in a resource limited setting, Asia Pacific related experience preferred;
- More than 3 years experience in malaria programming.
- More than 3 years experience in the development of materials for peer review.
- Experience in working with national malaria programmes in the Asia Pacific Region.

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

- Demonstrated understanding of the technical underpinnings of malaria control and elimination interventions.
- Strong data analysis skills; familiarity with epidemiological methodologies
- Excellent communication and diplomatic skills.
PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

- Proven ability to work effectively in a multi-cultural and diverse team; embraces teamwork.
- Ability to consistently work with humility, in a collaborative manner in highly matrixed environment.
- Approachable, adaptable and possess a good sense of humour.
- Able to travel overseas when required.

The position is a full-time role and will be based in the organization's headquarters in Singapore. The organization offers a competitive salary and benefits package, commensurate with experience and qualifications. The initial contract will be for a period of 2 years, with the possibility of extension based on performance and availability of funding.

To apply, please send your resume and cover letter to recruitment@apima.org by 31 January 2024. We thank you for your application and regret to inform that only candidates shortlisted for interview will be contacted.