

JOB VACANCY MHCP Psychologist (M/W) Based in KALAR

Job Reference Number: ACF/KRI/KA/MHCP/003

Action Contre la Faim –ACF International is a global humanitarian organisation committed to ending world hunger and recognized as a leader in the fight against malnutrition. Founded in 1979, ACF delivers programmes, in over 40 countries while committed to respect humanitarian principles as a nongovernmental, non-political, non-religious and, non-profit organisation. Our mission is to save lives through the prevention, detection, and treatment of malnutrition, especially during and after emergency situations and conflict. ACF intervenes in four main areas: Nutrition, Mental Health & Care Practices; Water, Sanitation & Hygiene; Food Security and Livelihoods; Advocacy and Raising Awareness. **ACF is looking for a MHCP Psychologist.**

Work place: Based in KALAR + on exceptional request, in geographical area(s) covered by ACF in KRI

Type of contract: Fixed-Term Contract of 9 months, from the 14 July 2016 until the 31 March 2017 (with the possibility of extension)

<u>Working Hours:</u> Full time contract of minimum 40 hours a week up to a maximum of 48 hours a week (8 hours a day for 5 days a week and on Saturdays when needed and/or requested)

Monthly Gross Salary: From 1,910,698 IQD to 2,008,733 depending on experience

<u>Benefits:</u> Monthly Transport Allowance + End of Year Bonus + Monthly Medical Allowance (when probation period passed and confirmed on the position)

Main Assignment:

Provide adequate mental health and care practices activities to IDP,refugee, and host community beneficiaries

Main activities:

Assignment 1: actively participate in the program implementation and guarantee ACF's quality standardsResponsibilities and Tasks:

- Train, support and monitor the Psychosocial Workers to implement the psychosocial activities
- Monitor the quality of care
- Support the identification process of the beneficiaries, especially those in need of specific support
- Permanently evaluate gaps related to Mental Health and Care Practices and propose new interventions
- Follow up on protection issues at the field level
- Monitor the reporting from the PSW and to the Program Manager on a daily, weekly and monthly basis
- Actively collaborate with other ACF departments
- Report according to ACF tools and schemes
- Represent ACF at the field level if asked

Assignment 2: implement and supervise Psychological First Aid (PFA) individual/family sessions or support groups

Responsibilities and Tasks:

- In collaboration with the team and according to the needs of the beneficiaries, define the PFA settings according to the different target populations
- Insure appropriate environment and framework to discuss highly emotional issues (set up group rules, values...)



- Insure sensitive active listening from participants
- Support mutual understanding and positive coping mechanisms
- > Encourage mutual support among participants
- Provide specific support to beneficiaries in need
- Train and supervise the Psychosocial Workers

Assignment 3: Implement and supervise parenting support group and family support sessionsResponsibilities and Tasks:

- Train the Psychosocial Workers on baby and child development and systemic approaches, especially related to the IDPs/refugees situation (including protection)
- Train the psychosocial Workers in insuring the appropriate environment for individual or group sharing and learning
- Analyze the progress of parenting practices according to the evolution of the beneficiaries situation and report
- Identify and provide specific support to parents/babies/childrenin need, including through home visits
- Closely support and monitor the activities

Assignment 4: Provide adapted care to beneficiaries in need

Responsibilities and Tasks:

- Provide priority group support (family, youngsters, peers...)
- Provide clinical assessment, referral, care and follow-up when needed for IDPs and refugee beneficiaries
- Provide family therapy and care practices sessions when needed

Assignment 5 : Actively develop and follow up the referral system

Responsibilities and Tasks:

- Refer beneficiaries with moderate and severe mental disorders and monitor the referrals
- Follow-up beneficiaries when appropriate
- Monitor the quality of care provided by partners

Closely follow up on protection issues when referring and reporting

Recruitment criteria:

Qualification/Degree:	Graduated in Psychology
Professional Experience	Experience in training and management – Experience in psychological assessment, referral, care practices and follow-up – Experience with work with displaced persons, refugees, and host community.
Technical/Specialized Skills	Knowledge of baby and child development, systemic analysis, clinical psychology and psychosocial activities
General Skills	Excellent communication, listening and observation skills – Empathy, tolerance and flexibility – Sensitivity towards protection issues - Highly developed team spirit – Capacity for team work – Autonomy and creativity – Good knowledge of local customs.
Managerial Skills (if applicable)	N/A
Language Skills	 Kurdish and Arabic are mandatory Communication knowledge of English is an asset
Other Requirements	The candidate needs to feel comfortable working in conflicted areas where security could become a concern. This position requires field travel at least 70% of the time
IT Skills	MS Office



HOW TO APPLY: Closing Date: 30/06/2016

Qualified candidates must submit a Presentation Letter and a Resume including 2 professional references in Kurdish or English + a Copy of any certification of relevant and a copy of national ID or Kurdish Residency Card to: recruitment-su@iq.missions-acf.org, please indicated the job reference number ACF/KRI/KA/MHCP/003, in the e-mail subject line.

You can also find the Job Vacancy on FORAS' website and apply directly through FORAS' website at: http://jobs.foras-iq.ta3mal.com/

Applicants can also submit their application to the reception of ACF Office in Kalar, Dreamland, villa 24, in a sealed envelope specifying the job offer title and reference number (the Office is closed on Fridays and Saturday).

<u>Due to the volume of applications we receive, we will only contact short-listed candidates for further screening.</u> For more information please visit our website: http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org/en