



Job Advertisement (Laboratory Technicians): 2 Positions Only

The Infectious Diseases Research Collaboration (IDRC) seeks to hire 2 suitable candidates for the position of **Laboratory Technician** for the **PROMOTE Birth Cohort 3 study** to be based in **Busia district, Uganda**. The Birth cohort 3 study is a clinical trial seeking to compare the risk of adverse birth outcomes among HIV-uninfected pregnant women randomized to receive intermittent preventive treatment of malaria with monthly sulfadoxine pyrimethamine versus monthly dihydroartemisinin-piperaquine, and to compare the incidence of malaria among infants born to these mothers who took different interventions for prevention of malaria during pregnancy.

Purpose of position: The successful candidates will be responsible for the following;

- Perform microscopy.
- Perform phlebotomy draws on study participants.
- Arrange filter papers or performance of molecular techniques.
- Carry out laboratory screening of patients.
- Tracking and storage of filter paper samples.
- Preparation, reading and storage of urgent blood smears.
- Performing quality control of all blood smear readings.
- Preparation storage and tracking of stored plasma samples.
- Quality assurance in regard to preparations, labelling and storage of plasma samples.
- Perform other tests as requested by Clinicians.

Key Result Areas

- Microscopy slides properly and read.
- Phlebotomy draws properly done.
- Plasma samples properly prepared, stored and tracked.
- Requested tests accurately done.
- Filter papers precisely arranged and stored.

Qualifications, Skills, Essentials and desirables for the job

- A Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology from a recognized institution.
- Must be fully registered with the Allied Health Professional Council.
- Ability to speak Samia/Luganda/Kiswahili and other languages spoken in Busia.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- Prior working experience of 2 years in a research setting especially in HIV and malaria research will be an added advantage.

How to apply: Typed letters of application together with current CV, 2 reference letters from past employers and copies of academic certificates should be delivered to:

The Human Resource Manager

Infectious Diseases Research Collaboration (IDRC),

P. O Box 7475, Kampala, 2C Nakasero Hill Road OR IDRC **Tororo office at the Tororo District Hospital, IDRC Mbarara Office opposite Lake View Hotel or IDRC Mbale office plot 35, Masaba Road.** This advert can also be found on our website www.idrc-uganda.org/careers

Deadline for receiving applications: **Monday 20th May 2016.** Only short listed candidates will be contacted in less than three weeks after the deadline of this advert.