

Job Description: Medical Epidemiologist (HPC/MO3), Communicable Disease Surveillance.

Job Purpose

To coordinate the maintenance of an adequate system for the management of surveillance related data at the national level.

Key Responsibility Areas

1. Medical review of incoming disease notifications.
2. Technical guidance and support for the investigation and control of communicable disease outbreaks.

Main duties

1. Establish and maintain contact with field teams regarding the clinical details of notified cases.
2. Liaise with laboratories to guide testing and integrate disease and laboratory surveillance data.
3. Provide technical support and guidance to clinicians in the private and public sectors.
4. Analyse surveillance data and report on communicable diseases of national and international significance.
5. Provide guidance to the National Technical Team on the planning and implementation of policies for the control of communicable diseases.
6. Provide guidance to senior human resource training and development personnel regarding training needs identified by the surveillance system.
7. Represent the Ministry of Health at local and international meetings regarding public health surveillance.
8. Perform other duties as needed/assigned.

REQUIRED COMPETENCIES

No.	Functional/Technical Competencies
1.	Excellent knowledge of the epidemiology, clinical presentation, natural history, risk factors and management of communicable diseases of public health significance.

2.	Ability to appraise and interpret clinical data from various sources.
3.	Excellent verbal and written communication skills

No.	Other Competencies
4.	Exhibition of appropriate personal and professional behaviour.

MINIMUM REQUIRED QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE

- A qualified Medical Doctor
- Medical degree from a recognized medical school (WHO's World directory of medical schools).
- Master of Science degree in Epidemiology or Public Health.
- Minimum of two (2) years (post-qualification) work experience in a clinical setting.