

VACANCIES (12 months contract)

The MRC/Wits Agincourt Research Unit is exceptional health and population research centre providing an extensive data resource resulting from years of longitudinal health and socio-demographic surveillance. It currently nests several observational and intervention studies- all undertaken with an interdisciplinary network of leading international scientists in the Agincourt sub-district in rural northeast South Africa. As part of the ongoing core and nested work, the Unit seeks to appoint for the below positions, to participate in several vital roles, by practically exploring the **Ntshembo study**, which aims to address both underweight and overweight/obesity in adolescent girls before pregnancy, to improve adolescent nutrition, reduce later metabolic risks such as Type 2 diabetes for the adolescent and their future offspring within the Agincourt Health and Demographic Surveillance System. The appointed individuals will be based at the Agincourt offices and report directly to the project research coordinator.

To support the study, the Unit is inviting applicants for the following fixed-term positions:

- **2 Fieldworkers**
- **1 Enrolled Nurse**

Required minimum education and training:

- Fieldworker: Grade 12 Certificate, Computer qualifications, Previous experience using electronic data collection tools is essential. At least one year of previous experience as a fieldworker. Able to manage sensitive and confidential study information. Driver's license strong preference
- Enrolled Nurse: Diploma in General Nursing, Registered Staff/Enrolled Nurse, and current registration with the South African Nursing Council (SANC). Minimum 2 years relevant nursing experience. computer literate or proficient in the use of electronic data collection devices (e.g., smartphones/tablets) will be desirable. Good Clinical Practice (GCP) certificate would be an advantage Driver's license is essential.

Personal abilities:

A successful candidate for this position will be friendly, professional, able to follow instructions, self-motivated, and must retain extremely good communication skills- both written and oral- in both English and Xitsonga. The individual must possess the ability to problem solve as well as strive to achieve pre-set objectives. Furthermore, the individual must be able to work well within a team, be willing to work irregular hours, and could strictly maintain participants' confidentiality, both on and off the job.

If you have the required qualifications listed above and would like to apply, please send your CV, names and contact details of 3 referees, certified copies of Certificates, ID copies, and motivation letter stating why you are interested in the position and email it to:

Weekend Khoza at Weekend.Khoza@wits.ac.za. or alternatively, deliver all applications to Agincourt site main office gate.

Inquiries should be forwarded to Weekend Khoza at **013 880 1151** between 08h00 and 16h30 on weekdays.

Closing date: 31 March 2022 @ 16h30

The Unit will only respond to short-listed candidates. Candidates who have not been contacted within 3 weeks of the closing date can consider their application unsuccessful. In accordance with our Employment Equity goals and plan, preference will be given to suitable candidates.