

Interns – Community HIV testing, Linkage and Retention Services

POSITION SUMMARY: the Intern will participate in; preparing work plans for retaining PLHIV in ART services, field implementation, conducting weekly and monthly verification for all clients linked into care, coordination and reporting linkage and retention activities, including clients tracking, loss to follow-up tracing, and health facility-community linkages.

MAJOR ACCOUNTABILITIES

- Coordinate implementation of proven, innovative strategies and intervention to improve targeted testing, linkage and ART retention services at the facility
- support improved adherence to ART among clients and support index tracing
- Do supportive supervision to ensure high quality of linkage services and retention to ART for PLHIV in Dar-es-salaam, Kagera and Geita regions
- Ensure that all clients who tested HIV positive at community sites are referred and linked to the facility for treatment initiation
- Improve bi-directional referral systems between the community and facility-based services
- Support community-based HIV services providers in establishment of new PLHIVs supportive groups and managing them
- Provide support to CEC, COV, and CHW on linkage and retention of clients on ART
- Prepare HIV linkage and retention daily, weekly and monthly reports and submit to supervisor
- Perform any other duty which the supervisor may assign from time to time.

Required Qualifications, Knowledge and Skills:

- University Degree in any health related field, Community Development, Social welfare or other related fields from a recognized academic institution.
- Interest in community health related programs, preferred HIV/AIDS programs
- Interest in working with the local community leaders and workers
- Good communication skills; diplomatic and culturally sensitive;
- Excellent command of Swahili and English languages, in written and oral communication
- Experience in basic computer applications such as MS Word, Excel, and Power

