



ICAP Lesotho GHT Placement (June – December 2010)

Background/Context:

Since 2006, ICAP has been supporting PMTCT services and comprehensive HIV/AIDS care and treatment programs in Lesotho for HIV-infected pregnant women, their partners, and families. The development of an integrated family-centered approach to HIV care and treatment in Lesotho was motivated by several critical areas identified by the Lesotho Ministry of Health and Social Welfare (MOHSW). They include the needs to integrate a package of PMTCT services into routine antenatal and postnatal consultations; establish supportive services for HIV pregnant women and their families; and provide HIV care and treatment to all HIV-infected pregnant women, HIV-exposed infants, infected children, partners and family members. In support of the MOHSW goals, ICAP provides technical and clinical assistance to health facilities in the development and enhancement of family-centered, multidisciplinary HIV/AIDS prevention, care, and treatment programs, with the goal of reducing HIV/AIDS-related morbidity and mortality among children, women, and their family members. ICAP also supports training activities in Maseru, Mochale's Hoek, Mafeteng and Quthing districts to build capacity of healthcare workers for delivering high-quality, comprehensive HIV/AIDS services and enhancing monitoring and evaluation systems. In addition to providing clinical mentoring and supervision, ICAP supports workshops and multidisciplinary team meetings for providers focused on skills-building, performance improvement, and continuing education on comprehensive HIV/AIDS service delivery.

Internship Description:

The student will support implementation of routine monitoring and evaluation (M&E) systems for comprehensive TB/HIV services at the site level, as well as at the ICAP – Lesotho country office.

Student will assist the M&E team with the implementation of patient tracking systems, quarterly data collection on standardized indicators, as well as with data cleaning, analysis and feedback to support evidence-based programming.

Student will support the implementation of comprehensive TB/HIV services. This will entail assisting technical and implementation staff with a wide range of program implementation activities, including the development of materials, program planning and program tracking.

Desired Qualifications:

MPH student with strong interest and background in monitoring and evaluation of public health programs, TB/HIV and related conditions. Strong skills in Excel and Access, as well as proficiency in SPSS and SAS or other statistical software.

Application Process:

To apply, please send a resume and statement of interest (explaining why would like to intern with ICAP and why you are qualified for this particular position) by **February 1, 2010**. Please send you application to Megan Affrunti at mca2115@columbia.edu and put **ICAP Lesotho – GHT** in the subject heading. Provide contact information for 2 references.

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