CONSULTANCY
Terms of Reference

Purpose of the Consultancy
The purpose of this consultancy is to support the WHO Clinical Management and Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) response in the ongoing EVD outbreak in DRC.

Background
The ongoing EVD outbreak in DRC was declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) on 17 July 2019 [https://www.who.int/ihr/procedures/statement-emergency-committee-ebola-drc-july-2019.pdf](https://www.who.int/ihr/procedures/statement-emergency-committee-ebola-drc-july-2019.pdf). As part of the EC recommendations, it remains clear the importance to strengthen measures to prevent nosocomial infections, including systematic mapping of health facilities, targeting of IPC interventions and sustain support to those facilities through monitoring and sustained supervision.

As part of the Incident Management System, the WHO Clinical team is responsible for managing the Clinical Case Management pillar for the EVD during outbreak as well as setting standards for clinical management for other emerging infectious diseases. During this outbreak, the team developed the standards, [https://www.who.int/csr/resources/publications/optimized-supportive-care/en/](https://www.who.int/csr/resources/publications/optimized-supportive-care/en/) and has been responsible for implementing the MEURI and RCT protocols in collaboration with the WHO R&D team and INRB. The clinical team is also responsible for IPC in emergencies and will continue to expand its collaborative work to support the IPC pillar alongside the Global IPC Unit.

The objectives of this contract are to support the clinical case management and IPC pillars of the IMS team in Geneva to: a) assist in communication and coordination of the CM/IPC response (between field team and HQ); b) assist in mapping of partner activities involved in clinical care and IPC in real-time manner; c) dissemination of technical documents and tools for field team use and monitoring their use; c) assist in planning of clinical care/IPC activities in surrounding priority countries; and d) assist in planning and conducting 2nd Clinical Partner meeting in Fall 2019. The consultant will work under the technical oversight of the WHO clinical team lead, Dr Janet Diaz.

Work to be performed
Output 1: At HQ, attend IMS meetings and be able to communicate updates on CM and/or IPC pillar field activities under the strategic leadership of Dr Diaz.
Output 2: Prepare partner mapping of IPC partners and Clinical Care partners.
Output 3: Disseminate clinical care tools and IPC package to partners and MoH as requested.
Output 4: Plan and implement clinical care trainings in 5 priority countries, train as needed.
Output 5: Planning for 2nd Clinical Care Partners Meeting in DRC, including ETU design.
Technical Supervision

The selected Consultant will work under the supervision of the team lead for the Clinical Care in Emergencies, Dr Janet Diaz of the WHO Emergency Programme.

Timelines

It is envisioned that this consultancy will work full-time.

Tentative start date: 01/09/2019
Tentative end date: 01/01/2020

Specific requirements

Qualifications required:

- Medical or Nursing Degree, specialty degree or experience clinically with acute care, emergency care, intensive care, infectious disease, or IPC

Experience required:

- Minimum of 5 years working in clinical care of patients with infectious diseases, any specialty welcome to apply.
- Minimum of 3 years working in resource limited environments, including experience working in outbreaks.

Skills / Technical skills and knowledge:

- Clinical expertise on EVD management
- Advanced writing skills using WHO format

Language requirements:

- Expert English language
- Intermediate other language (Preferably French)

Place of assignment

The consultant will be expected to conduct work in Geneva. Consultant may need to attend additional meetings and those will be paid for by WHO team, as needed.

How to apply and deadline:

Please send your CV, your offer and any other relevant information for the purpose of this consultancy to diazej@who.int by 15 August 2019 (Geneva time).