Overview of Position

We are recruiting an Advocacy Associate for IYAFP’s Sustaining Evidence-Driven Advocacy (SEDA) projects in Koudougou Burkina Faso. SEDA succeeds the Empowering Evidence-Driven Advocacy (EEDA) project, which was an initiative designed to assess the implementation of policies related to youth-friendly FP services and their full impact on young people’s access in 5 countries, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Kenya, Nigeria, and Uganda.

This is a part-time, paid position which will end in December 2021.

IYAFP is a youth-led organization committed to supporting leadership to sustain ongoing advocacy on implementation of existing family planning (FP) policies; build on accountability focused strategies and deepen community networks for youth friendly service (YFS). Activities under SEDA will build on successes such as the realization of policy impact, and growing a network of youth community advocates with decision makers who support YFS and FP.

Applicants should ideally be under 30 years of age, and have experience with advocacy and experience working in family planning and with youth-led organizations. Koudougou residence preferred!

Specific Tasks

- Form and lead advocacy team in Koudougou towards implementation of the work plan for the advocacy objective.
- Attend and facilitate meetings and commit to reporting, accountability monitoring and evaluation processes.
- Prepare for and attend meetings on bi-weekly (at minimum) basis with the Country Manager. During the meetings, you will provide updates, timely coordinate dissemination of available resources and request any support that will further the advocacy objective.
- Attend all trainings, workshops, conferences, Regional Learning Network sessions, expert speaker series etc.
- Be present for all convenings that are a part of the team's work plan as activities to further objectives; be it with stakeholders, decision makers, government officials, team members, technical committees, partners and or working groups.
- Commit to administrative tasks and critical deadlines towards financial accountability.
- Respond and support reporting, monitoring and evaluation processes to ensure successes within the project are measured, and challenges are met with high capacity.

Qualifications
- Secondary degree required; post-secondary degree preferred in public health or or a closely related field.
- At least 2 years of experience in advocacy, public health and working in Koudougou; preferred demonstrable experience working with stakeholders, particularly Ministry of Health.
- Strong communication and writing skills.
- Demonstrated experience working with youth and in family planning and/or sexual and reproductive health in diverse settings, including the facilitation of activities with youth.
- Demonstrated passion for family planning and sexual and reproductive health and rights.
- Strong advocacy work fundamentals and foundation in family planning and Youth friendly Services.
- Demonstrable commitment to high-integrity, intersectional, and non-tokenistic advocacy and/or youth work.

You will impress us if:

- You are a resident of Koudougou, Boulkiemdé Province
- You have a strong grasp over the French Language and English (reading, writing & speaking).
- You have regular internet access with good bandwidth.
- You are willing to commit to advocacy activities taking place in person (IYAFP will support the candidate with PPE and hold regular consultations).
- You have a passport for potential local/regional/ international travel.
- You are committed to being responsive, in regular communication with the Country Manager.
- You are committed to all administrative tasks (submitting timesheets, expense sheets etc.)

**Timelines**

Applications due: September 15, 2021

Interviews: September 17

Finalist interviews/case; September 20 (if needed)

**Fit the criteria and ready to apply?**

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