

## **MEDICINES CONTROL AGENCY**

Off Bertil Harding Highway, Kotu East, Kanifing Municipality, P.O. Box 3162, Serekunda, The Gambia

Job Title:Principal Accountant Number of Positions:One (1)Directorate:Administration and FinanceDepartment:FinanceReports To:Director, Administration and FinanceSupervises:Senior Accountant

### JOB PURPOSE

To provide technical and operational support for effective and efficient performance of the financial management functions of the Agency.

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1. Supervises the collation of data for the formulation of policies;
- 2. Supervises the implementation of projects, programmes and activities of the Department;
- 3. Prepares the annual budget of the Agency;
- 4. Prepares annual financial report of the Agency.
- 5. Ensure the effective management of the petty cash as per financial manual.
- 6. Analyses and interprets financial reports;
- 7. Implements financial recommendations contained in audit reports.
- 8. Prepares the annual budget of the Department;
- 9. Prepares annual and other periodic reports of the Department
- 10. Lead the Audit exercise regarding financial and other relevant matters.
- 11. Responds to audit queries on financial matters.
- 12. Ensures compliance with the provisions in the financial management laws and regulations and other fiscal policies.
- 13. Provides sound financial advice to the Agency and for the development of proposals.
- 14. Develops mechanism for the judicious use of funds in accordance with relevant financial regulations and directives.
- 15. Ensure the effective and efficient fuel management.
- 16. Ensures the development and maintenance of the Assets Register of the Agency in collaboration with Administration.
- 17. Coordinates the implementation of financial control system.
- 18. Ensure timely Bank reconciliations are conducted.
- 19. Ensure the preparation of the annual cash plan of the Agency.
- 20. Supervises and appraises the performance of subordinate staff.
- 21. Participates in the development and maintenance of a quality management system of the Agency.
- 22. Provision of inputs for the update of the website and update other media platforms of the Agency.
- 23. Perform any other duty assigned.

### QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE



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### DIRECT ENTRY

- A minimum of a Master's Degree in Finance, Accounting or any other related qualification from an accredited tertiary institution.
- A minimum of five (5) years post qualification relevant work experience, two (2) years of which must be in a senior management position in a similar organization.
- A chartered membership of a recognised and relevant professional body (e.g. GICA, ACCA, CPA or CIMA) would be an added advantage.
- Must pass a selection interview conducted by the Agency.

### **IN-SERVICE ENTRY**

- Availability of vacancy on the grade of Principal Accountant
- A minimum of three (3) years on the grade of Senior Accountant
- A minimum of Master's Degree from an accredited tertiary institution in Finance, Accounting or any other related qualification with two (2) years post-qualification experience in the grade of a Senior Accountant; OR
- A minimum of Bachelor's Degree in Finance, Accounting or related qualification with three (3) years post-qualification experience in the grade of a Senior Accountant.
- Must have satisfactory staff performance appraisal reports.
- Must pass a competitive selection interview conducted by the Governing Board.

#### COMPETENCIES

- In-depth knowledge in financial management laws, regulations and fiscal policies.
- Good knowledge in labour laws and regulations.
- Good leadership, networking and management skills.
- Good communication, interpersonal and presentation skills.
- Negotiation, lobbying and conflict management skills.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to inspire and motivate.
- Knowledge in relevant IT applications.
- Good strategic management skills
- Good monitoring and evaluation skills
- High integrity and good ethical standard
- Knowledge in Administrative procedures.
- Report Writing.

#### TRAINING

- Continuous professional development programmes
- Strategic and Project Management
- Public Policy Analysis
- Team Building
- Leadership and Management
- Organisational Development and Change Management
- Negotiation, Diplomacy and Lobbying



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**SALARY:** The salary attached to these positions is IIA of the Agency's PayScale.

Applicants are required to submit: Cover Letter, CV and all relevant certificates and documents to: Executive Director, Medicines Control Agency, The Gambia.

Address: Off Bertil Harding Highway, Kotu East, The Gambia.

Deadline for submission: Time and Date; Friday, 27 December 2024, at 12 Noon.