

**Department** Program

Job Title Field Consultant

**Job Type** Short-term Contract (2-8 weeks), Remote with travel

SeriousFun Children's Network, founded by Paul Newman, is a growing global community of independently managed and financed camps and programs, which have come together with a common purpose – to serve children with serious illnesses and their families, free of charge. Across our 30 camps around the world, SeriousFun reaches more than 165,000 children and families annually.

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SeriousFun Partner Programs leverage the knowledge, expertise and innovation developed at SeriousFun Children's Network Member Camps to offer SeriousFun-inspired camp programs to children living with serious illnesses in resource-limited areas throughout around the world.

Working in collaboration with other trusted international organizations, SeriousFun trains and supports locally-based partners to create socially-supportive, intentionally-designed, and culturally responsive camp experiences for children with serious illnesses throughout Africa, Asia and the Caribbean. Beyond just providing fun for children, these programs foster adherence to medications and treatments, encourage the development of peer friendships and caring relationships with adults, and build learning and leadership skills. SeriousFun Partner Programs strive to build support networks in the communities in which the children and families live, promoting the breakdown of stigma, lessening their sense of isolation, and instilling more positive attitudes for the future.

### **Position Summary**

The Field Consultant's primary responsibility is to coach, mentor and train a local leadership team to implement a camp program that both meets SeriousFun standards and is locally appropriate. Field Consultants work side-by-side with a SeriousFun team member to prepare and facilitate training sessions, coach and build the capacity of the camp leadership team members, and support the implementation of staff training and camp sessions.

#### **Essential Responsibilities**

## **Preparations**

- Participate fully in all orientation calls.
- Review relevant documents and recommended reading.
- Complete personal medical and travel preparations (required immunizations, visas, etc.)
- Become familiar with relevant SeriousFun policies and procedures.
- Acquire basic knowledge of HIV/AIDS, blood disorders, and/or cancers, as relevant to assignment.
- Work with SeriousFun team liaison to determine the level of support required for the local leadership team.
- Co-design training activities and prepare facilitations for assigned training sessions.

### In Country

- Support the local leadership team in preparing for and facilitating staff training and camp sessions.
- Support and guide the local leadership team to:
  - Develop and supervise all health and safety procedures concerning campers and staff (including fire drills, general emergency procedures, and medical emergency procedures).

- Design and coordinate schedules and training sessions/activities for each staff training and camp session.
- Oversee all residential and programmatic aspects of staff training and camp.
- Maintain camper records and statistics.
- Adhere to the established SeriousFun policies and procedures, and any policies specific to the partner program.

#### Reporting

- Thoroughly document all materials and resources created for the program and share with SeriousFun.
- Submit written report capturing highlights and recommendations for the partner program.

# **Competencies and Experience**

### Required

- Fluency in spoken and written English.
- Self-motivated.
- High degree of flexibility and problem solving.
- Fantastic people skills and an ability to establish strong working relationships quickly.
- Culturally sensitive and able to navigate complex social situations respectfully and professionally.
- Mentoring or coaching experience.
- Confidence and enthusiasm for facilitating and/or teaching.
- Detail-oriented and highly organized.
- Strong professional and representative of SeriousFun.
- Excellent written documentation skills.
- Access to a laptop computer and fluent computer skills; data entry, word processing, internet navigation.
- Sense of humor and adventure.
- Comfort with traveling to a new country and living in a new environment with limited personal space and simple accommodations.

### Preferred

- Knowledge of SeriousFun camp philosophies.
- Camp leadership team and support team experience.
- Previous experience working, volunteering or living in another country.
- In-depth knowledge of HIV/AIDS and other relevant medical conditions as related to camp programming.
- Training design experience.
- Fluency in multiple languages.

### To Apply

- First read Field Consultant FAQs and Field Consultant Questions to Ask Yourself.
- Please complete the Field Consultant Application, including uploading your cover letter and resume.
  - Please save your files in the following format: FC Application Last Name Cover Letter; FC Application Last Name Resume
- Applications submitted prior to April 1, 2019 are preferred, however, applications will be accepted until all positions are filled.
- Please note that the number of Field Consultant assignments may fluctuate throughout the year.
- Questions about Field Consultant positions can be directed via email to msilvia@seriousfunnetwork.org