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# **Job Opportunities**

Date: Monday January 22, 2024

**Program: Botswana Public Health Institute** 

Duty Station: Gaborone, Botswana

## Application deadline: Monday February 5, 2024

#### **Background:**

African Field Epidemiology Network (AFENET) is a not-for-profit organization, networking and service alliance of African Field Epidemiology and Laboratory Training Programs (FELTPs), and other applied epidemiology training programs in Sub Saharan Africa. Through its member field epidemiology training programs, AFENET is dedicated to supporting African ministries of health build strong, effective, and sustainable programs with capacity to improve public health systems. AFENET's vision is to ensure a *"Healthier Africa"* by effective prevention and control of epidemics and other priority public health problems in Africa.

In October 2022, the Botswana Ministry of Health with support from technical partners such as the United States Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (US CDC) launched the Botswana Public Health Institute (BPHI). This is in line with the world's best practices in preparing for effective response to public health emergencies. The US CDC in Botswana continues to support the BPHI to establish strong and functional pillars to achieve it's intended mandate. Working with AFENET, the US CDC in Botswana will support the human resources needs for the BPHI specifically for the surveillance and laboratory pillars. Within the framework of this collaboration, the AFENET seeks to hire skilled and experienced health professionals to fill the following positions as per the detailed job descriptions below.

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#### **Title: Health Care Assistant**

#### Number of vacancies: One (1)

Work Schedule	40 hours per week
Duty Station	National Public Health Laboratory, Gaborone – Botswana
Grade Level	B3

#### **Position Description**

The primary role of the laboratory Health Care Assistant (HCA) is to assist with pre-analytical and post analytical duties as directed by the laboratory scientists/ technicians.



## Main duties:

- Receives samples into laboratory systems that are delivered various health facilities.
- Helps with preparation of samples, and processes as guided by the laboratory staff.
- Follows laboratory operating procedures to keep equipment and surfaces clean.
- Assist in dispatching results to ensure laboratory-clinic interface.
- Undertakes any other related duties as required to meet the exigencies of the service.

# Experience

- A certificate in Health Care Assistance or a related field from an accredited institution.
- 2 years working in a medical laboratory or hospital.

# Knowledge:

• Experience working with electronic patient management system.

# Skills:

- Good oral and written English.
- Good communication skills
- Basic computer literacy

# Personal attributes:

- Teamwork
- communication skills.

# How to apply: Submit your resume, application letter, and relevant documentation to:

- The Administration & Human Resource Office
- African Field Epidemiology Network (AFENET)
- https://recruitment.afenet.net and a copy on Email: sec@afenet.net

\*ONLY successful candidates shall be contacted for an interview.

## Please note that all applications should be sent online by close of business 5:30 pm (EAT) Monday February 5, 2024

Note: More details about this position can be obtained from our website: www.afenet.net