Italian mission started its activities in 1999 when Doctors Without Borders (MSF) has realized that the same people treated and witnessed at thousands of kilometers away were often in precarious conditions and need just in Italy. In these years they were held activity aimed at providing medical care to immigrants in the area, even without a valid permit od stay. Recently in Italy, as in other countries of the world and the Mediterranean (Libya, Egypt, Greece), the interventions were structured based on the emergence of specific needs.

Since 2016 MSF-Italian Mission is active on various projects:

- in Rome, manages a rehabilitation center for people victims of torture;
- in the province of Trapani, lends psycho-social support to the guests of the CAS and offers a transcultural psychotherapy services in collaboration with ASP structures;
- in Italy, monitors the situation and the needs of the population on the move and provides aid to people involved in traumatic landings with emergency PFA team (Psychological First Aid);
- The new intervention of MSF for “Migrants on the Move” (Motm) in Como and Ventimiglia intends to address the humanitarian and medical needs of the mobile population excluded from the formal reception system, by rolling out a significant and rapid scale-up of the MSF operational response;
- In the Mediterranean Sea, search and rescue operations.

**Project overview**

In Catania the center focuses on people in need of medical post-acute care with a capacity of maximum 24 beds. A nursing care is provided 24hrs/7 days week. A medical doctor is present during day time, and on-call for the remaining hours. Daily ambulatory activities will be performed. A psycho-cho social and socio/legal orientation service is present. When needed, external expertise consultant will be used for specific health service (psychiatric, physiatrist etc…).
Main Purpose

Plan, organize, and evaluate the activities concerning his/her field of action (Nursery, assistant nursery, laboratory) and the team associated, according to MSF values, policies and protocols and universal health standards, in order to warrant the quality and continuity of the health care and the development of the plan of action.

Accountabilities:

- Responsible in collaboration with the PMR of taking care of the person in the clinic (from admission to discharge)
- Responsible of the implementation of the whole nursing process in the structure (assessment, nursing diagnosis planning, implementation, evaluation)
- Carry out the functions and tasks associated to his/her specialty, i.e. perform as a nurse whenever needed, in order to optimize the resources, contributing with his/her knowledge and experience.
- Implement all the protocols and hygiene procedures, and supervise his/her team follow the same standards, in order to warrant the quality of care and service in his/her specialty.
- Supervise, organize and coordinate the activities of his/her team (week’s schedule, annual leave, absences, etc.), evaluate their performance and define and ensure the needs for training of staff, in order to ensure the coverage of the human resources needs and maintain high standards of quality.
- Carry out and/or supervise the (decentralized) pharmacy and medical equipment management (drugs orders, follow-up of the stock, storage conditions, inventories, follow-up of expired drugs and their destruction, drugs consumption, etc.) in the clinic , in order to satisfy the needs of material with efficiency and effectiveness.
- Carry-out and/or coordinate administrative (exit-paper, transfer-paper, etc.), information and data collection (patient files, forms, statistics, etc.) tasks, and elaborate regular reporting, in order to have updated and reliable information about the day-to-day activity in the project, output/ outcome and support decision-taking.
- Participate with the rest of the medical team to the recruitment of paramedical staff
- Participate for the medical data collection, analysis and reporting to the Project Medical Referent to ensure a proper monitoring of the program
- Give feedback/ reports to the project medical referent (PMR).

Requirements

Education/training
Nurse degree essential.
Desirable tropical medicine or public health study

Experience
Registered to the Italian Nursing Council
Essential 2 years of previous experience as head nurse.
Having worked in MSF or other NGO’s and in developing countries is desirable.

Languages
Italian and English essential

Knowledge
Essential computer literacy (word, excel and internet)
Competencies
Results
Teamwork
Flexibility
Commitment
Stress management