



**MEDECINS SANS FRONTIERES is a non-governmental organization for humanitarian aid. Today we work in more than 60 countries where our volunteers bring their aid to populations in distress, to victims of aggression and war, regardless of religion, beliefs or politics. MSF Operational Centre of Brussels is looking for a:**

## **MEDICAL DOCTOR**

### ***Operational Context***

Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) has started its activities in Italy in 1999 when realized that the same persons cured and assisted in countries at thousands of kilometers of distance were the same encountered in precarious conditions and needs once in Italy. The activities developed during these last years have aimed to give medical and psychological assistance to migrant people, even undocumented, present in Italy.

Currently MSF Italy Mission implements different projects:

- In Rome, a rehabilitation center for victims of torture (SoT);
- In Catania, MSF is opening a post-acute care center for migrants;
- In Trapani, psycho social support and transcultural psychotherapy for asylum seekers;
- In Italy, psychological first aid (PFA) for traumatic boat landings;

### ***Rome Urban Settlement***

Rome is now hosting several thousand of migrants leaving in informal settings, in regular or irregular legal status. The Italian NHS is public and offer universal care to all the people present in the national territory, despite their legal status. However consistent data and the long MSF experience on this field showed that there are several barriers to a proper medical assistance, due to organizative issues and lack of informations to the beneficiaries. In particular, chronic illness and infectious disease are often neglected and these can lead to an increase morbidity in the migrant population.

MSF Mission Italy is establishing a project to assist the migrants leaving in the informal settlements in Rome. The main purposes for this intervention are medical screening and general treatment of the main diseases, psychological assessment for vulnerable people and eventual psychological brief support and counselling and link of the patients to the necessary NHS services. This should be reached through direct implementation on the informal sites using a mobile clinic and by collaboration with local ASL for the implementation of a STP clinic close to the informal settlements.

### ***Purpose of the post***

Provide outpatient quality medical care to patients/beneficiaries according to adapted and updated medical knowledge, MSF protocols, values and universal hygiene standards to improve the patients/beneficiaries health conditions.

### ***Main objectives***

- Apply medical knowledge and skills to diagnose and prevention. Carry out outpatient and inpatient consultations, prescribing the necessary treatment respecting **MSF** protocols.
- Keep the patient and/or his/her family informed about the illness and provide appropriate explanations about the treatment to follow, checking they have understood.

- Check and control the rational distribution of medicines and equipment under his/her responsibility and take care the quality, disinfection and sterilization of the medical material. Assure general compliance with standing hygiene standards.
- Participate in the clinical data collection and analysis and in the medical reports together with the psychologist and the MAM, and monitors the proper functioning of the project, equipment or material.
- Ensure ongoing training of the medical/paramedical multidisciplinary team in order to optimize the quality of care.
- Knows and ensures all MSF medical protocols are followed and implemented, checking universal precautions are followed at all times and reducing bio-hazard risks and improving infection control. Ensures professional confidentiality is respected.
- Follow up the evolution of the referred patients both for hospitalization and second level specialists consultations, consultations and examinations in collaboration with the Medical Activity Manager and the psychologist of the team.
- Manage the team under his/her direct responsibility according to MSF HR policies and procedures, supervising their performance, organizing and scheduling shifts and rotations, directly participating in emergencies and on calls if necessary – if applicable.

### ***Context Specific Accountabilities***

- Apply medical knowledge and skills to examine, assess and diagnose patients during mobile clinic consultations, prescribing the necessary treatment in accordance with MSF protocols.
- Identify the patients at risk (acute and/or exacerbation of chronic medical conditions, transmissible diseases etc...) and provide essential medical care.
- Interact with the NHS actors and handover safely the patients to them.
- Cooperate with the NHS to promote a more comprehensive and holistic approach to the migration medicine.
- Check and update the contents of the medical kits in use for the mobile clinics and draft the medical orders in collaboration with the MAM
- Ensure all appropriate documents (patients dossiers, referral forms, statistical sheets, drugs consumptions etc) are filled correctly
- Ensures patient-doctor confidentiality is respected (according to the context of informal settlements).
- Collaborating with the rest of the team on implementing advocacy strategy
- Inform the line manager about any issues or problems that may arise related to patients' treatment in order to provide the best possible solution from a medical perspective
- Collaborate with the line manager, in the scheduling of the activities of mobile clinics.
- Participate actively in team meetings

### ***Requirements:***

#### **Education**

Medical Doctor degree with Italian Medical College registration. Desirable advance training in Infectious Disease, Internal or Emergency Medicine.

#### **Experience**

- 2 year experience minimum as a Medical Doctor or in clinical work (can be within medical training).
- Desirable experience in tropical medicine and infectious diseases, obstetric and gynecologist
- Desirable previous experience in working as MD with migrants or informal settlements
- Desirable previous experience with MSF or other NGO's

- Competencies**
- People Management
  - Commitment
  - Flexibility
  - Results
  - Teamwork

**Knowledge** Essential computer literacy (word, excel)

**Languages** Italian and English essential

***Conditions***

- 8 months fixed-term contract
- Salary according to MSF-OCB Field salary scale.
- Closing date: **20<sup>th</sup> May**
- Expected starting date: **ASAP**
- Place of work: Rome Urban Settlement
- Project: Rome

***How to apply?***

Application (CV and cover letter in english) to be sent to

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**Please note that only short-listed candidates will be contacted.**