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Office of the Director

## FSM Personnel Office

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### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Government of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) seeks well qualified individuals to fill the position of **Epidemiologist** for all the four States of FSM. This position will be located at the Department of Health and Social Affairs, Palikir Pohnpei FM 96941.

#### Duties and Responsibilities:

- Provide guidance and technical assistance to the Epidemiological workgroup (Epi Workgroup), that will monitor the selected BHWP priorities to drive the promotion of evidence base health programs and policies for the mental health and prevention and/or reduction of the progression of substance use and abuse, including tobacco, alcohol and other drugs, with a resultant decrease in the attendant consequence and related problems, and morbidity and mortality in FSM.
- Work with the FSM BHWP and Advisory Council and staff to sustain the Epi Workgroup; serves as the technical resource to assist in using data to reduce SUD and promote substance abuse prevention at all levels.
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- Update an island-wide mental health, treatment, recovery and substance abuse prevention profile, providing the data and evidence base for sound decision-making.
- Collaborate and assist the project team to determine relevant approaches and appropriate intervention and selected science based approaches based on available local data;
- Provide technical support and advice to FSM data stakeholders in developing, coordinating and managing a comprehensive surveillance system to measure mental health, treatment, recovery and substance abuse prevention and control;
- Assist FSM's Epi Workgroup to identify and collect all relevant existing database and data sets, develop a central data clearinghouse established at the central office and revise and dissemination an annual island-wide mental health and substance abuse prevention profile to all stakeholders.
- Facilitate the analysis of existing data, and the identification of data gaps.
- Guide Epi workgroup members to refine surveillance instruments and sustainable mechanism to collect missing data;
- Periodically assess and evaluates new data, analyze trends in mental health and substance use and abuse, rates their attendant consequences and relate these to the interventionist implemented under SOC; and provide reports based on new data developed.
- Assist Epi workgroup members and SOC staffs to communicate all findings and recommendations to the appropriate SOC stakeholders and FSM Community;
- Support to the extent possible, the SOC Project Evaluators to identify essential progress indicators and make recommendation for the progress indicator based on the evaluation plan developed by the evaluators;
- Collaborate with the FSM SOC Project on grant reporting requirements and provide the portion relating to the Epi workgroup activities, products and progress;
- Participate in the Advisory Council, and represent the FSM Epi workgroup at relevant meetings, workshops and other activities, as requested by SAMHSA, CSAP and by the FSM SOC Coordinator or BHWP Director.

- Aside from project data work, analysis and write up of data assessment work, the epidemiologist will also update both the Epi Profile.
- The epidemiologist will also work closely with the Data Manager fostering data trainings for relevant staffs for the project.
- Coordinate NOMS surveys throughout the FSM states and responsible to write up the NOMS data report as the final of the survey.

**The Incumbent:** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master Degree in Public Health with an emphasis in epidemiology and must have a medical training in infectious disease, must be strong data crunchers, particularly with biostatistician data, must also understand how to promote health, prevent disease and assess the quality of health care. Epidemiologists need a strong math and science background and should be capable of gathering, analyzing and understanding medical data. He/She must also be detail oriented and able to effectively communicate verbally and through writing, and must have at least 2 years of experience with being an Epidemiologist for a behavioral health and wellness projects.

**Benefits:** A Salary range from \$30,000.00 but not exceed \$45,000.00 per annum depending upon the qualifications of the applicant. Housing, travel and relocation will be provided if applicable.

To Apply: Send application/resume by mail, or e-mail to the following addresses:

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