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TERMS OF REFERENCE

Consultancy service to develop Tuberculosis Key and vulnerable populations strategy

Introduction and Background

Service, Health and Development for people living with HIV /AIDS (**SHDEPHA+**) is a national non-governmental organization, registered on 21 November 1994 with registration number **SO 8216**, to mobilize resources to help people living with HIV/AIDS and to fight the spread of the disease. Based on its mission, SHDEPHA+ is committed to reducing income and non-income poverty, hunger, human suffering, diseases and the impact and spread of HIV/AIDS by empowering marginalized and vulnerable people, most at risk populations, and communities in general to achieve community based and sustainable human development.

Although originally focusing on people living with HIV/AIDS, over the years SHDEPHA+ has expanded beyond HIV/AIDS and related issues to other developmental interventions and now covers both infected and affected by HIV/AIDS including Tuberculosis (TB) KVPs. Defined in the **Global Plan to End TB (2023-2030)**, TB Key and Vulnerable Populations are people who have increased exposure to TB due to where they live or work, have limited access to quality TB services and are at increased risk of TB because of biological or behavioural factors that compromise immune function.

One of the UN HLM on TB Political Declaration commitment aims at prioritizing high-risk groups and other people who are vulnerable or in vulnerable situations. The government of Tanzania through the Ministry of Health's National TB and Leprosy program have intentionally put plans towards realization of the declaration and ensuring that strategic and nuanced TB initiatives that focus on TB prevention, diagnosis, treatment, care and support among these prioritized populations (TB KVPs) are in place. To realise this, SHDEPHA+ through its funding from Stop TB partnership, seeks to contract a consultant to develop the TB Key and Vulnerable population strategy.

Objectives of the Activity:

- The primary objective of this consultancy is to develop the Tanzania TB Key and Vulnerable population strategy

Duration of the assignment

- The consultancy services is expected to be carried out over a period of 10 days

Key activities to be implemented (Scope of Work):

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- **Conduct desk review:** The consultant will need to review existing literature and data related to TB among Key and Vulnerable Populations. The consultant will also summarize relevant findings and identify gaps in the existing general TB strategy and CRG operational plans
 - **Develop the draft KVP strategy :** Based on the findings of the desk review the consultant will develop the KVP strategy which will focus on targeted TB interventions among Key and Vulnerable Populations.
 - **Stakeholder Engagement:** Identify and engage key stakeholders, including government health agencies, non-governmental organizations, CSOs and community representatives to review and dialogue on the draft strategy.

Expected deliverables

- Inception report detailing the methodology for the development of the strategy
- Plan for stakeholders engagement including the Presentation slides
- Report on Stakeholders engagement
- TB KVP strategy document

Qualifications:

The ideal consultant should possess:

- A graduate degree in a health-related field from an accredited college or university
- Demonstrated experience in working with TB Key and Vulnerable Populations.
- Proven experience in strategies development, reporting and good communication skills.
- Familiarity with the local context and challenges related to TB in Tanzania

Proposed Budget for the consultancy:

- Interested consultants are invited to submit a detailed budget proposal, including fees, travel expenses and other relevant costs.

Proposal Submission:

- Interested consultants are requested to submit their proposal/expression of interest (maximum 3 pages) on an understanding of the assignment, a CV including information about experience in similar assignments. Submit your applications (**indicating the TOR title in the subject line**) by Tuesday 27th February 20224 through : procurement@shdepha.org and info@shdepha.org

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NB:

- Interested applicants may obtain (Questions and clarifications) by contacting the procuring department through Email: at procurement@shdepha.org with the subject line "Request for Clarification" and the TOR Title before 23rd February 2024.
- SHDEPHA+ reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.