



**UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI
EXTERNAL JOB VACANCIES (PROJECT POSITION)**

Applications are invited for the following position:

**ASSISTANT RESEARCH OFFICER- SOCIAL SCIENCE (ARO-SS), MEI PROJECT,
DEPARTMENT OF PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH, UNIVERSITY OF
NAIROBI, ADVERT REF: AD/6/285 /26, 1 POST**

The Project:

The University of Nairobi – MEI Project is undertaking collaborative research evaluating a multicountry implementation of a health system strengthening package for maternal and newborn care in hospitals. To successfully implement, the project seeks to competitively fill the above position.

The Position:

This is a full-time position based in the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health and at the KEMRI-Wellcome Trust Research Programme

Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Conduct empiric work including primary data collection (key informant interviews, focus group discussions) with health system policy makers, managers and front line providers
2. Work together with other colleagues to finalize methodological tools and construct the analysis
3. Assist with management and analysis of data and developing written outputs
4. Participate in related training activities and study workshops or meetings
5. Performing any other related duty as assigned.

Job Specifications:

At a minimum, the ARO-SS will have:

1. Bachelor's degree in a relevant subjects in Social Sciences & Humanities such as Anthropology or Sociology from a recognized institution

2. At least two (2) years of research experience, ideally including experience in collecting and analyzing health systems qualitative research data through interviews, focus group discussions, health systems research, stakeholder engagement
3. Evidence of ability to produce and publish research.
4. Computer literacy with proficiency in Microsoft applications.
5. Knowledge of NVivo (qualitative analysis) software will be an added advantage.

Terms of appointment:

This a position whose tenure is one (1) year contract renewable based on performance and by mutual consent.

Notes:

1. Applicants should email their application letters, certified copies of certificates and curriculum vitae (CV) giving details of their qualifications, experience and three (3) referees indicating their telephone contacts and e-mail contacts;
2. Applications and related documents should be forwarded addressed to the Director, Human Resource, University of Nairobi;
3. Applicants should state their current designations, salaries and other benefits attached to those designations;
4. The application letter must bear the reference code indicated in the advertisement;
5. Late applications will not be considered.
6. Applications should be emailed as one file in PDF: recruit-arossmei@uonbi.ac.ke

CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026

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EMPLOYER. ONLY SHORTLISTED APPLICANTS WILL BE
CONTACTED**