Founded in 2002 by President William J. Clinton, the Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) is a global health organization committed to strengthening integrated health systems around the world and expanding access to care and treatment for HIV/AIDS, malaria and other illnesses. Based on the premise that business oriented strategy can facilitate solutions to global health challenges, CHAI acts as a catalyst to mobilize new resources and optimize the impact of these resources to save lives, via improved organization of commodity markets and more effective local management. By working in association with governments and other NGO partners, CHAI is focused on large scale impact and, to date, CHAI has secured lower pricing agreements for treatment options in more than 70 countries. In addition, CHAI’s teams are working side-by-side with over 30 governments to tackle many of the largest barriers to effective treatment and care.

In Swaziland, CHAI has been working in partnership with the Ministry of Health (MOH) and other stakeholders to develop sustainable strategies to address Swaziland’s public health priority areas since 2007. Current work includes increasing access to high-quality and affordable medicines, malaria elimination, sustainable health financing and the MaxART project, that builds on this close collaboration with the government.

In Swaziland, the country with the highest HIV prevalence in the world, a consortium of multi-disciplinary stakeholders[1], led by the Government of Swaziland, is managing an initiative called, MaxART – Maximizing ART for Better Health and Zero New HIV Infections. MaxART includes a unique package of interventions aimed at ensuring that all individuals who need it have access to high quality HIV testing, treatment, and lifelong care.

With these strong systems and improved understanding of the realities and needs on the ground, the Government of Swaziland – in collaboration with the MaxART Consortium – has also embarked on a 3-year Early Access to ART for All (EAAA) Implementation Study to understand the feasibility, acceptability, clinical outcomes, affordability, and scalability of offering treatment for people living with HIV irrespective of CD4 in government-managed health facilities in Hhohho region. There is now considerable evidence from clinical trials that Early Access to ART (also known as “HIV treatment as prevention”) could both improve the health of people living with HIV and dramatically reduce the rates of new HIV infection. But evidence is needed to assess what is required to implement this approach in a “real world” setting – and Swaziland is ready to lead the way. In the context of the EAAA study, CHAI Swaziland is currently seeking a highly motivated individual with outstanding credentials to fill the Research Manager position.

[1] The MaxART Consortium is comprised of STOP AIDS NOW!, Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI), Swaziland National Network of People Living with HIV (SWANNEPHA), Global Network of People living with HIV (GNP+), South Africa Centre for Epidemiological Modeling and Analyses (SACEMA), Southern Africa HIV & AIDS Information Dissemination Service (SAfAIDS), in collaboration with in-country partners including the US President’s

The MaxART Research Manager will work closely with the Senior Research Manager to support the implementation of the Early Access to ART for All Implementation Study. The Research Manager will have primary responsibility for the implementation of the research in the health system. Specific responsibilities include:

- Technical oversight and day-to-day management of the study’s implementation, including development and adherence to study operating procedures, policies, and study work planning and logistics among all health system and health facility activities.
- Manage project administration including preparation of work plans, budgets/reforecast, narrative and financial reports in collaboration with the Senior Research Manager, with ownership of the health facility components of the study.
- Develop all study documents and tools in collaboration with the Primary Research Team, ensure strong and timely execution of study’s implementation plan, and implement systems for strengthening operations and field efficiencies.
- Coordinate the procurement of study-related supplies, including medications and laboratory supplies, and manage established partnerships with both Mylan and MSF.
- Collaborate with Primary Research Team to regularly present results of study to a variety of audiences and key stakeholders.
- Collaborate closely on a daily basis with technical level of government and other implementing partners, at national and regional level, to ensure the study is informed by other activities and preliminary study findings are shared in all relevant forums.
- Serve as knowledge base on current trends and findings from universal HIV treatment research to ensure the MaxART study is aligned and relevant to global evidence.
- Able to act as Senior Research Manager as needed.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

Qualifications

- Degree in epidemiology, public health, biostatistics, or related field. Clinical experience preferred.
- Minimum 5 years of relevant experience of which at least 2 years of proven success in coordinating complex research projects.
- Experience conducting research activities in a developing country, including understanding of Institutional Review Board (IRB) and national Ethics Committee processes and procedures.
- Exceptional relationship building and interpersonal skills, and an ability to collaborate effectively with a wide range of partners and stakeholders in a culturally diverse environment.
Highly developed strategic analysis, problem solving, and quantitative skills with ability to create tools to address specific challenges and improve working practices

Strong project management skills, including demonstrated ability to think independently, be flexible, and balance multiple priorities under tight deadlines.

Ability to mentor and lead teams to perform at a consistently high level in high-pressure situations and ambiguous circumstances.

Ability to think strategically and problem solve in fast-paced, multicultural environment.

Excellent Microsoft Word and Power Point skills, with the ability to develop compelling presentations.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Post-graduate degree, preferably PhD or Masters degree in epidemiology, public health, biostatistics, or related field. Clinical experience preferred.

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