



Short Term Opportunity for a Bio-Statistician with the Action Against Stunting Hub

We are seeking to appoint a highly motivated scientist with a PhD and strong skills in biostatistics, health data science, and/or epidemiology for a short-term opportunity with the UKRI GCRF Action Against Stunting Hub to work with an inter-disciplinary research team at 18 partner organisations across the UK, India, Indonesia, and Senegal.

This position will be full time on a casual contract for up to 3 months.

To apply to this short term vacancy, please email actionagainststunting@lshtm.ac.uk

Closing date: 10 July 2022

Please note: Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis and the post will be filled once a suitable candidate is found. Apply early to avoid disappointment.

UKRI GCRF Action against Stunting Hub

The Hub aims to reduce child stunting in communities in India, Indonesia and Senegal via disruptive and innovative research. It is funded by UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) through the Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF), which is a key component in delivering the UK AID strategy and puts UK-led research at the heart of efforts to tackle the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Stunting impacts 155-165.8 million children worldwide. In 2012, the World Health Assembly recognised that child stunting was 'one of the most significant impediments to human development.' The Assembly resolved to reduce the number of children under five who are stunted by 40% by 2025. Despite political good will, reducing the world's stunted children to 100 million is now recognised as largely unachievable.

The 'UKRI GCRF Action against Stunting Hub' is an interdisciplinary team comprising researchers from 18 institutions. Running for a five-year period from March 2019 – March 2024, the Hub aims to transform current research on child undernutrition or stunting. The team proposes to change the focus of investigation of child undernutrition from individual components of the problem to the 'whole child'. Through this, we aim to understand the biological, social, environmental and behavioural context in which stunting occurs. Hub researchers will weave together a wide range of qualitative and quantitative approaches in an innovative interdisciplinary framework. Using this holistic approach, the Hub will undertake a range of child-focused interventions to prevent, improve and even reverse some key features of stunting.