MAURITIUS PUBLIC SERVICE

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT NO. 53 OF 2017

Vacancy for Post of Director (Health and Wellness)
Ministry of Education and Human Resources,
Tertiary Education and Scientific Research

Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for appointment as Director (Health and Wellness) in the Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research.

II. AGE LIMIT

Candidates, unless already in the Service, should not have reached their 40th birthday by the closing date for the submission of applications.

III. QUALIFICATIONS

A. Candidates should –

(a) be fully registered as medical practitioners in accordance with legislation in force in Mauritius;

(b) reckon at least ten years’ experience relevant to the most common problems affecting/likely to affect the health of children;

(c) possess any of the qualifications listed below from a recognised institution obtained after having successfully followed a course of at least one academic year’s duration –

(i) Diploma in Public Health
(ii) MSc in Community Medicine
(iii) Master in Public Health
(iv) “Diplôme en Santé Publique” issued jointly by the Mauritius Institute of Health and the University of Bordeaux II

OR

Equivalent qualifications to (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above acceptable to the Public Service Commission.
**B. Candidates should also –**

(i) possess excellent leadership, management, communication and interpersonal skills;

(ii) possess excellent analytical skills and be able to adopt a multi-disciplinary approach to problem-solving;

(iii) have the ability to think and act proactively, critically and strategically;

(iv) have a high sense of commitment to achieve the strategic objectives falling under his responsibility;

(v) have the ability to be flexible and work collaboratively within a high pressure office; and

(vi) be computer literate.

**NOTE**

1. Candidates should submit a copy of their Certificate of Registration as medical practitioner in Mauritius together with their Application Form.

2. Candidates should also produce written evidence of experience/knowledge claimed.

3. The onus for the submission of written evidence of experience/knowledge claimed and equivalence of qualification (if applicable) from the relevant authorities (Tertiary Education Commission or Mauritius Qualifications Authority) rests on the candidates. Applications will not be considered in case of non-submission of written evidence of experience/knowledge claimed and Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by the closing date.

4. The Commission reserves the right to convene only the best qualified candidates for interview.

**IV. ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

To be responsible for the formulation, organisation, co-ordination, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of health promotion policies and programmes in the Pre-Primary, Primary and Secondary Education Sectors.

**V. DUTIES AND SALARY**

1. To provide support to the Chief Technical Officer (Education) in the institutionalisation of health and wellness programmes and projects in schools.
2. To be responsible for the administration and management of the Health and Wellness Division.

3. To advise and to empower, in collaboration with members of the Regional Health and Educational Council, the whole school community on health and wellness promotion activities.

4. To advise on the development of health education curriculum and the production of relevant pedagogical materials and tools in line with best national and international norms and standards.

5. To be responsible for the regular identification and prioritisation of health and wellness-related initiatives and the development of sectoral plans and relevant strategies for their effective implementation.

6. To facilitate the showcasing of good practices, encourage sound health and wellness programmes and disseminate early prevention and promotion programmes on appropriate behaviours for healthy lifestyles.

7. To identify training needs, develop training strategies and conduct training for capacity building.

8. To conduct surveys and analyse research findings pertaining to health and wellness of children in schools and propose relevant measures.

9. To maintain relevant databases and provide periodic reports on children in schools, including learners with Special Education Needs, pertaining to health issues and wellness programmes.

10. To participate in training and research programmes and keep abreast of latest developments in the field of health and wellness.

11. To establish linkages and work in close collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Quality of Life, other Ministries, institutions and partners (local and international) for the smooth implementation of projects and programmes.

12. To prepare budget for health and wellness promotion programmes and monitor expenditure in line with Budget Estimates.

13. To work out outreach programmes for effective sensitisation of the community on health and wellness matters through collaborative partnerships with relevant organisations and institutions.

14. To use ICT in the performance of his duties.
15. To perform such other duties directly related to the main duties listed above or related to the delivery of the output and results expected from the Director (Health and Wellness) in the roles ascribed to him.

The permanent and pensionable post carries a flat salary of Rs 101,000 a month.

VI. MODE OF APPLICATION

1. Qualified candidates should submit their application on PSC Form 7 which may be obtained either from the Enquiry Counter of the Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, Ground Floor, Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Port Louis or from the Enquiry Counter of the Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side or from the Chief Commissioner’s Office, Port Mathurin, Rodrigues or from the offices of the Mauritius High Commission/Embassies overseas.

2. Candidates already in the service should submit their application in duplicate, the original to be sent directly to the Secretary, Public Service Commission and the duplicate through their respective Supervising/Responsible Officer.

3. This advertisement together with the Application Form (PSC Form 7) are available on the website of the Public Service Commission at http://psc.govmu.org

4. Candidates are encouraged to submit on-line application through the government web portal at http://www.govmu.org

5. Acknowledgement of applications will be made, as far as possible, by e-mail. Candidates are therefore advised to submit their e-mail address.

6. Candidates are advised to read carefully the “NOTES AND INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES” before filling in the Application Form. Care should be taken to fill in the Application Form correctly. Incomplete, inadequate or inaccurate filling of the Application Form may entail elimination of the applicant.

VII. CLOSING DATE

Applications should reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side, not later than 3.00 p.m. on Thursday 06 July 2017.

Date: 16 June 2017