

## HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Obstetrician/Gynecologist Medical Officer

**Department:** Field Operations

**Reports To:** Humanitarian Response Team Leader or respective Country Director

**Time Commitment:** 2-5 weeks - Volunteers can expect to deploy for a minimum of between two and five weeks, although the ability to deploy for longer is warmly welcomed.

**Position Summary:** The purpose of the Ob-Gyn Medical Officer position is to assist in delivering life-saving programs in disasters in a holistic and sustainable way, keeping in mind how the emergency response will set the ground work for transitional and development programs.

## **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Conduct antenatal consultations, assist in deliveries (including Cesarean section), provide prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT) treatment to HIV-positive pregnant women, and care for patients suffering from sexual violence-related injuries.
- Perform both emergency and planned ob-gyn surgeries, manage obstetric complications (such as instrumental deliveries), manage post-operative follow-up.
- Train and support both surgical and midwifery staff. The ability to learn cross-cultural issues surrounding childbirth will also be important.
- Be able to assess the immediate lifesaving ob-gyn interventions needed in addition to the prevention activities that need to be implemented.
- Actively participate and represent MTI in country-based health Cluster meetings.
- Committed to the values and principles of MTI.

## **Experience:**

- MD or DO and current license.
- Current or recent practical experience (i.e. at least 6 months of clinical practice).
- Experience in emergency surgeries and with complicated deliveries.
- Ability to perform specialist obstetric repair surgery for women with vaginal fistula an advantage.
- Training in tropical medicine and/or infectious diseases (especially HIV/AIDS, TB) an advantage.
- Ability to work with limited technical resources.
- Experience working with midwives.
- International experience including experience in emergency response and recovery following emergencies an advantage.

- Experience in technical training and support.
- Ability to exhibit tact, diplomacy, and resourcefulness in dealing with high level officials from donor agencies, international organizations, and other foreign and domestic government officials and partners.