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| **TITLE:** Economic Evaluation Advisor | | |
| **TEAM/PROGRAMME:** Program Quality and Impact | **LOCATION: UK (London or Remote) or any existing Save the Children International Regional or Country office Worldwide** | |
| **GRADE**: C Mid-Senior Level | **CONTRACT LENGTH:** 24 months | |
| **CHILD SAFEGUARDING:**  Level 1:  A basic criminal record background (DBS) check is required/equivalent police record check. | | |
| **ROLE PURPOSE:**  The Economic Evaluation Advisor, as part of the Economic Evaluation team, will support Save the Children’s commitment to improve its evidence base to make a difference for children. Understanding the cost-efficiency and cost-effectiveness of our work and incorporating economic evidence into our programming, policy and advocacy is key to our 2022-24 strategic ambition to triple our impact without tripling income. This role will provide support to country offices and thematic teams by leading cost-efficiency and cost-effectiveness analyses, conducting trainings to regional and country office teams. It will also include ensuring our research and monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning (REALM) and financial systems facilitate the collection and analysis of quality data that supports economic evaluation. You will work closely with other team members to develop and further improve guidance and tools for economic evaluation best practice. You will be expected to help foster a culture within Save the Children of constantly seeking to understand and improve VfM in our work.  You will work with a range of stakeholders in Save the Children offices and across multiple programmes and countries. In the event of a major humanitarian emergency, the role holder may be expected to work outside the normal role profile and be able to vary working hours accordingly. | | |
| **SCOPE OF ROLE:**  **Reports to:** Head of Economic Evaluation.  **Role Dimensions**: The role operates in a global matrix, membership-based organization. The role will sit within the Economic Evaluation team at Save the Children International, working in support of the entire Save the Children movement. The role will liaise with thematic experts, Evidence & Learning, Research, MEAL and Policy, Advocacy and Campaigns staff at country, regional and member levels as well as financial and IT experts across the movement. | | |
| **KEY AREAS OF ACCOUNTABILITY:**  **Support the generation, consolidation, analysis, and reporting of economic evaluation related data on strategic priorities**   * Work with thematic, cross-cutting and VfM and E&L colleagues to ensure guidance and support is available to offices to design, collect, analyse and interpret relevant, high quality inclusive data, from both primary and secondary sources (including Save the Children’s instance of Dioptra tool) * Working with relevant thematic specialists, support competency development, data collection, analysis and reporting of internal and external sources of data, methodologies and evidence related to economic evaluation to understand progress against targets and the impact of our thematic work for children. * Collaborate with thematic specialists, cross cutting leads, and colleagues in economic evaluation to ensure good practice and risk management in all E&L activities. * Work with new business development and fundraising staff and thematic specialists to incorporate design and budgeting for economic evaluation activities in relevant new projects and proposals relating to strategic priorities.   **Research, Evaluation and Learning**   * Support the delivery of a Research, Evidence and Learning (REL) agenda of priority questions and topics relating to economic evaluation. * Develop a pipeline of member and country office research items and evaluative activities, support and analyse country office reviews and evaluations and produce learning papers and publications. * Working closely with relevant Policy, Advocacy and Campaigns (PAC) colleagues, support and potentially lead occasionally on the generation of policy research in support of relevant PAC initiatives and support the incorporation and use of economic evaluation related evidence into such research. * Disseminate quality research and evidence outputs and findings to staff, including contributing to synthesising and summarizing key research and evidence for use in programming, advocacy and campaigns and new business development. * Contribute to building research and analytic capacity across the organization in economic evaluation, including issues of research design and ethics, data collection, data analysis and communication of results. * Together with thematic and cross cutting leads, engage with partners and other external actors for synergies and keeping up to date with global data trends and methodologies related to economic evaluation.   **Support the development and uptake of Common Approaches through evidence generation**   * Contribute to the development of learning and capacity-strengthening programs and to ensuring strong evidence bases relating to cost-effectiveness for relevant Common Approaches (i.e., our best, evidence-based understanding of how to address a particular problem facing children). * Support data collection efforts for mapping of evidence for pipeline and endorsed common approaches relating to cost-effectiveness. | | |
| **BEHAVIOURS (Values in Practice**)  **Accountability:**   * holds self accountable for making decisions, managing resources efficiently, achieving and role modelling Save the Children values * holds the team and partners accountable to deliver on their responsibilities - giving them the freedom to deliver in the best way they see fit, providing the necessary development to improve performance and applying appropriate consequences when results are not achieved.   **Ambition:**   * sets ambitious and challenging goals for themselves and their team, takes responsibility for their own personal development and encourages their team to do the same * widely shares their personal vision for Save the Children, engages and motivates others * future orientated, thinks strategically and on a global scale.   **Collaboration:**   * builds and maintains effective relationships, with their team, colleagues, Members and external partners and supporters * values diversity, sees it as a source of competitive strength * approachable, good listener, easy to talk to.   **Creativity:**   * develops and encourages new and innovative solutions * willing to take disciplined risks.   **Integrity:**   * honest, encourages openness and transparency; demonstrates highest levels of integrity | | |
| **QUALIFICATIONS:**   * An internationally recognised Bachelor’s degree or equivalent experience in economics or related disciplines, such as, development evaluation, statistics, operations research, research methodology, etc. | | |
| **EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS:**   * Curiosity, and a desire to use and promote evidence, feedback and learning to deliver improved outcomes. * Strong analytical understanding of a range of mixed methods for research and impact assessment to generate evidence. * Excellent analytical and writing skills, for both technical and non-technical audiences. * A proven ability to solve problems and make challenging decisions. * Strong interpersonal skills and ability to develop and maintain relationships with key individuals and groups within and external to the organization. * Ability to prioritize multiple tasks and maintain focus to achieve results. * Verbal and written fluency in English. * Willingness and ability to travel up to 20% of the time.   **Desirable:**   * Experience and a track record of success in conducting economic evaluation, especially cost efficiency and effectiveness evaluations, in development and/or humanitarian aid programmes. * Knowledge and experience in capacity building and enhancing competencies around economic evaluation, research and learning including design, data collection, data entry, analysis, and reporting, across different cultures and contexts * Additional languages, particularly French, Spanish and/or Arabic. | | |
| **Additional job responsibilities**  The duties and responsibilities as set out above are not exhaustive and the role holder may be required to carry out additional duties within reasonableness of their level of skills and experience. | | |
| **Equal Opportunities**  The role holder is required to carry out the duties in accordance with the SCI Equal Opportunities and Diversity policies and procedures. | | |
| **Child Safeguarding:**  We need to keep children safe so our selection process, which includes rigorous background checks, reflects our commitment to the protection of children from abuse. | | |
| **Safeguarding our Staff:**  The post holder is required to carry out the duties in accordance with the SCI anti-harassment policy | | |
| **Health and Safety**  The role holder is required to carry out the duties in accordance with SCI Health and Safety policies and procedures. | | |
| **JD written by:** | | **Date:** |
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| **Updated By: Andreas Kees** | | **Date: 10 November 2023** |
| **Evaluated:** | | **Date:** |