



CALL FOR CONSULTANT

Project: Maternal and Newborn Child Health

About the company

Headquartered in Melsungen, Germany, B. Braun is one of the world's leading manufacturers of medical technology and pharmaceutical products and services. Every service provided by B. Braun embodies the company's overall expertise, deep understanding of user needs, and comprehensive expertise since 1839. With a steadily growing portfolio of effective healthcare solutions, B. Braun makes a significant contribution to protecting and improving people's health worldwide. The product range comprises a total of 5,000 products, 95 percent of which are manufactured in-house. Through complementary service and consulting offerings, B. Braun is a system provider that develops the best solution for patients in close partnership with its customers. In this way, we make an important contribution to medical progress. B. Braun is an active partner of healthcare professionals in Africa since more than 60 years with annual sales of approximately 150 million Euros. About 1000 employees in sales & marketing, in dialysis centres and in different production sites work for B. Braun on the African continent.

Project Background

The Maternal and Newborn Child health project was commissioned by the B. Braun leadership as part of the company's strong commitment to supporting improvement of health outcomes in Africa and contributing to achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, SDG #3 targets on Good Health and well-being. B. Braun is committed to working with like-minded partners in the healthcare, policy and

development spaces to support safe childbearing for mothers and contribute to the reduction of maternal and infant mortality rates.

Objective of the assignment

To support B. Braun in conducting research on the current situation on Maternal and Newborn Child health in Cote d'Ivoire and to give proposals on potential intervention areas for B. Braun.

Consultant's Profile

We are looking for an expert from the field of reproductive health who fits the profile below:

- Is an obstetrician-gynaecologist, obstetric nurse or holds a postgraduate degree in Public Health, Reproductive Health, or Social Sciences.
- Has 3 - 5 years' work experience in MNCH in an African country, preferably in Cote d'Ivoire.
- Is familiar with global reproductive, maternal, Newborn and Child health related frameworks, guidelines and initiatives.
- Has previous programmatic and/or research experience in related fields.
- Has excellent organizational and communication skills including professional fluency in English and in French. Fluency in other local languages is an added advantage.
- Has strong quantitative and qualitative analysis skills and attention to detail.
- Can build relationships and collaborate effectively with teams across multiple locations and with varied areas of technical expertise.

- Is a serious candidate interested in a possible long-term relationship beyond the consultancy period.

Project Scope

The research will address the following questions:

- What are the current Maternal and Newborn mortality rates in the country?
- What are the major issues that contribute to the Maternal and Newborn mortality rates in the country?
- What are the common treatments / procedures in obstetric care?
- How is the situation for prenatal care?
- Which geographical locations and demographics are most affected?
- Where do most of the births take place in the different regions in the country? If not in hospital, why aren't women coming to the hospital?
- Which projects are already ongoing, and which organizations are running these projects?
- What is the government doing to reduce Maternal and Newborn deaths? What is the long-term government plan and what are the indicators?
- What are some potential solutions that can solve the existing problems? (Therapies, service care, etc)
- What digital solutions are possible? Have any innovative digital solutions been implemented, and what has been their impact?

Project Duration

The consultancy will last for a period of **3 months** from the commencement date to the presentation of results. This period may extend subject to acceptance of the final submission.

Project Deliverables

1. An inception report that includes the background, methodology, and data collection tools that will be used in the research.
2. Bi-weekly update reports on project progress, submitted in Microsoft Word or PDF format. A follow-up call may be planned after submission of the bi-weekly report for clarification /alignment with the B. Braun team.
3. A final written report submitted in Microsoft Word or PDF format.
4. A PowerPoint presentation summarizing the research findings, presented to the B. Braun team in a virtual meeting.
5. Modifications to the report to include feedback shared during presentation of the research findings. Further meetings may be organized to present these changes or feedback requested from the consultant, until the final research handover is done.

How to Apply

- Send your CV and a short draft proposal on how you would conduct the research to akua_kobe.baah-adade@bbraun.com and cc petty.tanghanwaye-nmo@bbraun.com.
- Include evidence of, or a link to previous completed projects
- Include your expected fee for the project in your proposal.