TRAINING HEALTH RESEARCHERS INTO VOCATIONAL EXCELLENCE IN EAST AFRICA

MASTERS RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS 2010/11

Applications are invited for students pursuing master's programmes in health related disciplines at Gulu, KCMC, Makerere, and NUR to apply for a supplementary grant to enable them to conduct high quality research projects. It is expected that successful candidates will adapt their research thesis into a format suitable for submission for publication in a peer reviewed journal.

The grants will consist of a maximum of £3,000 to be managed by the accounts office of the local institution to support field studies including employment of research assistants, transport or purchasing additional study materials, or laboratory work. Funds may not be used for external assistance in the design, analysis or writing up of results. No fixed 'per diems' will be allowable although real costs of travel or subsistence are allowed if documented.

One thousand British Pounds (£1000) will be retained to support publication in a peer-reviewed journal; £300 will be reserved for administration and secretarial costs of preparing for publication and released on evidence of submission, the remaining £700 will be paid to the accepting journal for 'page charges' (if applicable). Students should apply with the following:

 Evidence of admission at either Gulu, KCMC, Makerere, and NUR. A 1000 word outline of the proposed research topic for the thesis with subheadings of 'background', objectives, 'research methods', 'dissemination of results' and 'potential scientific importance'.

- A 200 word personal statement outlining how this thesis will contribute to your scientific career.
- Applicants will be required to agree that their performance during the first term can be made available to THRiVE assessors- this information could serve as a criterion for deciding on awarding a grant

All applicants will be informed in writing of the results of their application not more than 60 days after the closing date.

Eligibility criteria

Any student at one of the African THRiVE institutions (Gulu, KCMC, Makerere, and NUR) enrolling in the academic year of 2010/2011 in a health related Masters' degree.

Review and selection of applications

Applications will be reviewed by an expert panel with recommendations submitted to the THRiVE Steering Committee.

Applications must be submitted through the consortium website: wwww.thrive.or.ug.

Closing date for the receipt of applications is; February 1st 2011

Further particulars can be obtained from the Administrator of the THRiVE consortium at Makerere University; (info@thrive.or.ug, +256 414 530021)