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## VACANCY: CONSULTANT AND CLINICAL LECTURER IN FAMILY MEDICINE

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MOTHER & CHILD HEALTH

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### MISSION

Improving health care for the most vulnerable people in Eastern Africa in places with a structural lack of (human) resources by empowering clinical care and ensuring local teaching and training.

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### MORE INFORMATION

Website Tweega Medica

<http://www.tweegamedica.com>

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Mangochi District Hospital is situated in the district capital of Mangochi, Malawi, on the most southern tip of the beautiful lake Malawi. It is an exceptionally large public hospital with its 368 beds, and often accommodating multiple times that number of inpatients, serving about 1,2 million people in the district. The district hospital has 42 health centers, 2 rural hospitals and 1 mission hospital under its supervision. It has traditionally been a hub for teaching, research, and outreach.

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## TWEEGA MEDICA & COLLEGE OF MEDICINE PARTNERSHIP

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### TWEEGA MEDICA

Tweega Medica is a small Dutch non-profit organization that strives to improve the health of the most vulnerable inhabitants of Eastern Africa by sending broadly trained medical doctors that provide hands-on clinical care as well as a contribution to education and training of local health workers. Tweega Medica has an impressive track record for enabling Dutch tropical doctors on their long-term, sustainable contributions to existing local health care infrastructure in Tanzania, Uganda, and Malawi. Tweega Medica partners with the College of Medicine since January 2018 by funding a Dutch tropical doctor as a consultant and clinical lecturer based at a rural district hospital.

### COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

The Department of Family Medicine is one of three departments within the School of Public Health & Family Medicine (SPHFM) of the University of Malawi College of Medicine. It strives to achieve quality primary health care through provision of inter-professional education, research, clinical and health systems leadership, advocacy and delivery of health care service to individuals, families and communities.

The department partners with Mangochi District Hospital to achieve their educational objectives. In January 2015, the Department started the first postgraduate program for training Family Medicine doctors in Malawi. The first graduates received their degree in 2019!

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## TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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### CLINICAL WORK

You will work in a team with a very experienced Congolese family physician and a Dutch doctor in global health and tropical medicine. As the only three Malawian medical doctors employed by the ministry of

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Website College of Medicine

<http://sphfm.medcol.mw>

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When you are interested in obstetrics, pediatrics, surgery, family medicine in the Malawian context, teaching, public health and have finished the Dutch course in tropical medicine and hygiene (or similar training), we encourage you to apply.

We welcome applicants who want to bring their partner or family along to Mangochi.

For more information on job content, visit the Tweega Medica or College of Medicine websites or approach Bente van der Meijden (bente.van.der.meijden@gmail.com)

**When you wish to apply for this vacancy:**

**PLEASE SEND US YOUR APPLICATION LETTER(S) + CV(S) + 1-MINUTE VLOG(S) (summarizing your motivation)**

For more information on application procedure  
Send an email to floorpeters@hotmail.com

**Deadline for application:**  
**30<sup>th</sup> of May 2020**

**Interviews: 6<sup>th</sup> of June 2020**  
**Starting date: plan is September 2020**

health mainly focus on their administrative duties, your team has an important role in direct patient care, as well as in supervising the qualified clinical officers, medical assistants, nurses and an abundance of students in each cadre as needed depending on complexity of patients. You will also take part in the further expansion of Family Medicine in the communities as we roll out community-oriented primary care in Malawi.

### **TEACHING AND TRAINING**

Apart from an informal role of taking every clinical opportunity for bedside teaching of the abundant learners at the district, you will take a formal role at educating and training undergraduate medical students during their Family Medicine rotation at the district hospital, including enrollment in class-room-based teaching and end-of-rotation examinations. Furthermore, you will play a vital role in training postgraduate students in Family Medicine.

Family Medicine in Malawi is essentially a combination of the Dutch Family Medicine and Dutch Global Health and Tropical Medicine postgraduate programs. You will actively participate in the further development of these relatively young training programs that are being run in a challenging setting with the need to swiftly adapt to external factors affecting the programs.

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### **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

You will sign a contract for a minimum of two years to allow for your integration into the local team and to work on contribution to positive changes that last. There will be two complementary contracts given the partnership between Tweega Medica and the College of Medicine. You are committed to the mission and vision of Tweega Medica as well as the department of Family Medicine of the College of Medicine.

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### **SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE NEEDED**

We are looking for a resilient medical doctor that can bring a positive vibe to a challenging work environment with an interest in Family Medicine in the Malawian context. A postgraduate degree in Global Health and Tropical Medicine and/or Family Medicine would be ideal. Previous experience working on projects requiring intercultural communication, training and education, leadership, management and organizational skills would be a plus. You are fluent in spoken and written English and show willingness to learn Chichewa and/or Chiyao.

