

## **RESEARCH ASSISTANT CONTRACT**

**This Agreement** is made and entered into on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025, by and between:

**Principal Investigator:** Dr. Tamale Elvis  
Affiliation: St. Mary's Hospital Lacor

And

**Research Assistant Name:** AHURIRA CELINE  
Address: NAKIVALE, ISINGIRO DISTRICT  
Phone: +256776302594  
Email: celineahurira@gmail.com

### **1. Position and Scope of Work**

The Research Assistant agrees to assist in conducting the study titled: "**Assessing Capacity for Diagnosis and Management of Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Primary Healthcare Facilities in Isingiro District**", supported by the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (RSTMH). The study has been approved by the Uganda National Council for Science and Technology (UNCST) and the St. Mary's Hospital Lacor Research Ethics Committee.

The Research Assistant's responsibilities shall include, but are not limited to:

- Attending all training sessions on study protocol, data collection methods, and ethical considerations.
- Conducting structured and in-depth interviews with healthcare workers and key informants.
- Facilitating focus group discussions (FGDs) and recording participant responses.
- Ensuring ethical and quality data collection, including informed consent procedures.
- Transcribing and securely storing collected data.
- Submitting timely reports to the Principal Investigator.
- Adhering to all research ethical guidelines and confidentiality agreements.

### **2. Duration of Engagement**

This contract shall be for 1 year. Any extension shall be subject to mutual agreement.

### **3. Expenses incurred**

The Research Assistant shall receive a stipend of £100. Reimbursement of other expenses incurred during data collection process shall be made upon submission of receipts.

### **4. Confidentiality Clause**

The Research Assistant agrees to maintain strict confidentiality regarding all study data,



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participant information, and discussions. Any breach of confidentiality may result in immediate termination of the contract and legal action.

## **5. Code of Conduct**

The Research Assistant is expected to:

- Demonstrate professionalism and ethical conduct at all times.
- Adhere to research ethics, including voluntary participation and informed consent.
- Report any ethical concerns to the Principal Investigator immediately.

## **6. Termination Clause**

This contract may be terminated by either party with a **7-day written notice**. Immediate termination may occur in cases of ethical misconduct, breach of confidentiality, or failure to perform assigned duties.

## **7. Dispute Resolution**

Any disputes arising under this agreement shall be resolved through mutual discussions. If unresolved, the matter shall be referred to an independent mediator agreed upon by both parties.

## **8. Acceptance and Agreement**

By signing below, both parties agree to the terms outlined in this contract.

**Principal Investigator:**

Dr. Tamale Elvis

Signature:

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2025

**Research Assistant:**

Name: AHURIRA CELINE

Signature:

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2025

Witness (if applicable): NSIIMA NDYAKIRA\_\_\_\_\_

Signature:

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2025



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Affiliation: St. Mary's Hospital Lacor

And

**Research Assistant Name:** NABWETEME MABLE SSEBADUKA  
Address: NAKIVALE, ISINGIRO  
Phone: +256777693187  
Email: nabwetemable@gmail.com

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Dr. Tamale Elvis

Signature:

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2025

### Research Assistant:

Name: NABWETEME MABLE SSEBADUKA

Signature:

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2025

### Witness (if applicable): NSIIMA NDYAKIRA

Signature:

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2025



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