

## Senior Research Manager, New Delhi

### Vital Strategies

Vital Strategies (VS), based in New York City, is an international public health organization. We develop and oversee programs to strengthen public health systems, particularly in low and middle-income countries, and address leading causes of morbidity and mortality, providing expertise in project implementation and management, strategic communications, epidemiology and surveillance, and other core public health capacities. Our specific programs include road safety, obesity prevention, tobacco control, and activities to strengthen public health data systems and the use of public health data to guide policy and decision-making. Activities are based in low and middle income countries and cities in Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Pacific. Please visit our website at [www.vitalstrategies.org](http://www.vitalstrategies.org) to find out more about our work.

### **Background**

Reporting to the Vice President Global Policy and Research in the Policy, Advocacy and Communication Division, the Senior Research Manager will be based in New Delhi and responsible for managing research and evaluation activities at the global level for the Policy, Advocacy and Communication division of Vital Strategies. Applicants must have a valid work permit to work in New Delhi.

Specific responsibilities include:

- Develop country-specific research and evaluation protocols, using qualitative and quantitative research methods, that can be implemented and adapted for policy, advocacy and communication campaigns, including mass media advertising campaigns, in resource-limited low and middle-income countries.
- Design research instruments, for qualitative and quantitative studies, with minimal supervision, including protocols, questionnaires, sampling plans, implementation plans etc.;
- Conduct literature reviews and desk research;
- Oversee project implementation, liaising with agencies in programming countries to ensure the appropriate implementation of research plans, trouble shooting and maintaining frequent communication with all necessary staff to ensure implementation of projects of high quality.
- Maintain quantitative and qualitative datasets for ongoing projects and papers
- Conduct sophisticated statistical analysis as directed, particularly cost-effectiveness and regression analyses
- Maintain frequent communication with Vital Strategies colleagues, particularly campaign staff to ensure the relevance of the research
- Prepare reports, presentations and drafts of papers for peer reviewed publication

- Present findings to Vital Strategies staff and external partners
- Liaise with external partners, particularly researchers in the field

### **Qualifications**

- PhD in the social sciences (Population Studies, Economics, Sociology, Public Health etc.), with strong quantitative skills. Candidates who do not possess a PhD, but have significant experience, may also apply.
- 7 - 10 years of research experience required, with demonstrated leadership role in implementing high quality research projects
- Knowledge of statistics and quantitative research methods, required
- Experience managing research projects from start to finish is a must
- Commitment to social issues or public health, desired
- Must be detail oriented, highly organized and efficient
- Ability to multitask is important
- Demonstrated verbal, written, and interpersonal communication skills
- Strong initiative: self-starter with good follow through
- Resourceful, willing to learn on the job
- Ability to work both independently and as part of a team, self-directed, strong work ethic and adherence to deadlines

### **Compensation:**

Salary is commensurate with education, experience, and salary history.

### **How to apply:**

Please send your CV, cover letter, along with the names, email addresses, and phone numbers of three professional references, and salary expectations to [hr@vitalstrategies.org](mailto:hr@vitalstrategies.org) by **November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.