CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR A MEDIA FELLOWSHIP ON ENHANCING YOUNG PEOPLE’S ACCESS TO SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS (SRHR)

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Center for Health, Human Rights and Development (CEHURD) invites applications for the media fellowship on “using the media to enhance young people’s access to sexual and reproductive health and rights”. The media fellowship is aimed at building a network of journalists who can boldly report on sexual and reproductive health and rights for young people in Uganda and beyond.

2.0 ABOUT THE MEDIA FELLOWSHIP

With support from Rutgers through Reproductive Health Uganda, the Center for Health, Human Rights and Development (CEHURD) is organising a media fellowship under the Right Here Right Now II (RHRN II) Project. The fellowship will build capacities of journalists and create a network of journalists who can boldly report on sexual and reproductive health and rights for young people in Uganda and beyond.

The fellowship is also an opportunity to work on both visible (non-controversial and safer issues) and invisible issues (hidden and contested issues), under four thematic areas including: education and information to young people, public support, policy advocacy and strengthened movement in advancing young people’s sexual and reproductive health and rights, and gender justice.

The fellowship on young people’s SRHR will empower participating journalists with knowledge to contribute to the realisation of SRHR, no matter their beliefs or backgrounds. The media fellowship will cover the state of SRHR for young people in Uganda; the policy and legal environment on young people’s SRHR in Uganda and East Africa, and how journalists can report from a gender just and human rights perspective; values clarification and attitude transformation exercises for the participating journalists; the finer points of investigative journalism and how to make a good story pitch; and orientation on the key thematic areas of RHRN II project.

CEHURD is working in collaboration with Reproductive Health Uganda (RHU), Sexual Minorities Uganda (SMUG), Uganda Network of Young People Living with HIV/AIDS (UNYPA), Reach A Hand Uganda (RAHU), SRHR Alliance, and Hope Mbale.

3.0 ABOUT CEHURD

The Center for Health, Human Rights and Development (CEHURD) is a non-governmental, not-for profit indigenous research and advocacy organisation established in 2010 to pioneer advocacy for the justiciability of the right to health in Uganda and East Africa, and with a regional and global impact. CEHURD works towards ensuring access to social justice in health and human rights for the most vulnerable communities.

Eligible journalists for the fellowship will be expected to have the following qualifications:

- A minimum of a diploma in journalism, development studies, social sciences, development communications or any other related field
- Experience of at least two years in journalism, practising with an established media house
- Recommendation letter from the editor or producer.
- Interest in developing a career path in sexual and reproductive health and rights reporting for young people
- Must be from the Elgon/Sebei and Greater Kampala regions.
- Must NOT have participated in any past CEHURD SRHR media fellowships

If you believe you are the ideal candidate for this fellowship, please submit your cover letter, resume, and academic credentials via info@cehurd.org and copy kenganzi@cehurd.org by Thursday, 9th June, 2022.