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To Whom It May Concern:

REFERENCE

Mr. Nfally Nyakassi Jarju worked on the Malaria-In-Pregnancy (MIP) project from July 2002 to May 2005 as field assistant. This was a double blind study aimed at reducing Malaria, Anaemia and Low Birth Weight in pregnancy by giving participants Anti-malarial drug Sulfadoxine-Pyrimethamine (Fansidar) in multi-gravidae. During this period, Mr. Nfaily Nyakassi Jarju was involved in sensitising about the project, seeking consent and recruiting participants. He also administers study drugs to participants when they visit the clinics.

A massive follow-up of all study participants twice a week was done to know their health conditions and report any emergencies to the SRN Nurse-Supervisor. Weighing of babies 3-5 days after delivery was another major component of the project and also at six weeks after delivery. Three blood samples from the fingertip are collected from participants on the day of recruitment, 3-5 days after delivery and at six weeks after delivery to determine parasitaemia and blood haemoglobin levels.

His ability to organise himself in the aspect of planning work has contributed immensely to the success of the project. He had worked diligently to the end of the project and helped a lot in successfully sorting out queries.

I therefore recommend him without reservation to anyone who may need his services.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully

Dr. Amadou Mbaye.