



## Candidate Information

<b>Position:</b>	Research Fellow
<b>School/Department:</b>	School of Nursing and Midwifery
<b>Reference:</b>	19/107308
<b>Closing Date:</b>	Thursday 4 April 2019
<b>Salary:</b>	£33,199 per annum
<b>Anticipated Interview Date:</b>	Thursday 11 April 2019
<b>Duration:</b>	Available until 31 October 2019

### JOB PURPOSE:

To act as Research Fellow on two related relationship and sexuality education projects 1/an MRC funded intervention design study 'Relationships for Future Fatherhood' (MRC R1481 NUR) and 2/ an NIHR-funded multi-site Phase II cRCT The JACK Trial (NIHR PHR 15/181/01).

The post holder will work in a team with the Project Manager and Chief Investigator in planning, co-ordinating and completion of qualitative research relating to 'Relationships for future fatherhood' and also day-to-day management of the Jack Trial data collection and data analysis as part of a team.

### MAJOR DUTIES:

1. Conduct and analyse interviews/focus group interviews with prison staff, Barnardos's staff and young men in custody in relation to the acceptability and optimisation of the intervention 'Relationships for Future Fatherhood'.
2. Assist in the process of refining and optimising the intervention.
3. Assist in conducting a literature review on conducting an experimental or quasi-experimental study in prisons.
4. Assist the project manager in the efficient day-to-day management of the Jack trial.
5. Efficient management of the recruitment and data collection aspects of the trial. To include:
  - a. Management of the development, preparation and distribution of documentation relating to recruitment and data collection, ensuring compliance with Research Governance, Data Protection and Ethical Requirements;
  - b. Timely recruitment and retention of schools and trial participants in Northern Ireland;
  - c. Recruitment, retention, training and supervision of fieldworkers to assist with data collection;
  - d. Liaison with research fellows based at other UK sites in relation to recruitment and data collection;
  - e. Liaison with appropriate organisations and individuals to ensure coordination of teacher training in intervention schools;
  - f. Monitoring trial progress in relation to recruitment and data collection and identifying and reporting potential problems to the Project Manager.
6. Attend and assist in planning and supporting the meetings of the various groups associated with the trial (Research Management Team, Research Team, Trial Steering Group, Stakeholders Group, YPAG).
7. Provision of regular and ad hoc information, both written and verbal, to the project manager and project team to include reports and progress updates.
8. Assist in the preparation and publication of data and interim and final reports.
9. Assist with process evaluation data analysis and write-up.
10. Contribute to high quality publications in peer-reviewed journals and presentations at international conferences.
11. Develop website and e-dissemination strategies.
12. Assist in the creation and maintenance of all trial files, including the trial management file.
13. Assist in the collaborative development of further research proposals.
14. Supervise research projects of postgraduate students, if opportunities arise.
15. Contribute membership to such committees relevant to administrative or teaching duties.

### ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Have or be about to obtain a relevant PhD.

2. At least 3 years relevant research experience relating to relationships and sexuality education.
3. Be eligible to apply for security clearance to work within prison sites in NI and Scotland.
4. Ability to contribute to management of a large research project.
5. Sufficient breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in the discipline and of research methods and techniques to work within established research programmes.
6. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
7. Ability to build contacts and participate in internal and external networks.
8. Demonstrable intellectual ability.
9. Ability to assess and organise resources.

**DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

1. Familiarity with intervention design.
2. Familiarity with second level educational sector.
3. Familiarity with RCT methodology.
4. Web page development experience.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Must be willing to travel for short periods to Scotland up to twice during contract.