



Candidate Information

Position:	Research Fellow (Part-time 0.6 FTE)
School/Department:	Nursing and Midwifery
Reference:	22/110245
Closing Date:	Monday 24 October 2022
Salary:	£35,333 - £39,745 per annum, pro rata.
Anticipated Interview Date:	Monday 7 November 2022
Duration:	Fixed Term available until 6 November 2024

Job Purpose:

To be an active member of the research project team in the design and development of an optimal care pathway for patients living with comorbid Acute coronary syndrome and Type 2 diabetes.

The Research Fellow will be based in the School of Nursing and Midwifery at Queen's University Belfast and will be required to liaise with the Western Health and Social Care Trust.

Main Activities & Duties:

Conduct a specified programme of research exploring how comorbid ACS and T2D are managed across time at individual, primary and secondary care level, under the supervision of the Principal Investigator/s. This will include:

- Conducting a scoping review.
- Review of best practice guidelines for condition management.
- Recruiting study participants – patients and healthcare professionals.
- Liaising with colleagues within the Western Health and Social Care Trust.
- Organising and leading the project advisory group for the study.
- Co-ordinating and conducting interviews and focus groups.
- Co-design of a prototype optimal care pathway.
- Co-ordinating the delivery of a national symposium to disseminate study findings.
- Conducting analyses, critical evaluations, and interpretations using methodologies and other techniques appropriate to this study.
- Presenting regular progress reports to members of the research project team, project advisory group or external audiences, to disseminate and publicise research findings.
- Assisting the PI in the identification and development of future research, funding proposals and applications to external bodies.
- Preparing, in consultation with PI, material for publication in national and international journals and presentations at international conferences.
- Carrying out administrative tasks associated with the research project to ensure that project deadlines are met, tasks/work packages are completed on time and within budget. This might include organisation of project meetings and documentation, financial control, risk assessment of research activities.
- Carrying out additional duties as may reasonably be required within the general scope and level of the post.

Essential Criteria:

1. Have or be about to obtain a relevant PhD in a health or other relevant discipline (e.g., nursing, social science, psychology, allied health, health services research).
2. Have at least 3 years' relevant research experience in nursing, health or social sciences, to include:
 - Experience of research in chronic condition management/prevention/risk.
 - Experience of recruiting study participants.
 - Experience of conducting qualitative research.
3. Have experience of conducting scoping/ systematic review(s).
4. Have experience of PPI, specifically in establishing/co-ordinating project/study advisory/steering groups.
5. Experience of presentations/dissemination of research findings at local, national or international level.

6. A publication track record, commensurate with career stage.
7. Ability to contribute to broader management and administrative processes.
8. Contribute to the School's outreach programme by links with industry, community groups etc.
9. Sufficient breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in the discipline and of research methods and techniques to work within established research programmes.
10. Excellent communication, interpersonal and organisational skills.
11. Excellent IT skills.
12. Ability to communicate complex information clearly to a range of audiences.
13. Ability to build contacts and participate in internal and external networks.
14. Demonstrable intellectual ability.
15. Ability to assess and organise resources.
16. Ability to work effectively as part of an interdisciplinary team.
17. Ability to build contacts and participate in internal and external networks.
18. Willingness to travel to meet the needs of the post.

Desirable Criteria:

1. Experience of working in cardiovascular or diabetes research.
2. Experience of longitudinal research.
3. Experience of evidence based intervention/model/pathway development.
4. Knowledge of self-management demands for those living with chronic illness.