

# **Candidate Information**

Position:Research Fellow (part time)School/Department:School of Nursing and Midwifery

**Reference:** 24/111887

Closing Date: Monday 10 June 2024
Salary: £37,841 pro rata, per annum
Anticipated Interview Date: Thursday 18 July 2024
Duration: Available until 10 July 2025

## JOB PURPOSE:

The successful candidate of this exciting new post will work on phase one of the INVEST project; developing a digital hub for those undergoing dialysis. The successful candidate will become an active member of the research team assisting in the planning, delivery and dissemination of the study so that the overall research objectives of the project are met.

The post will involve working with the chief investigator, Dr Clare McKeaveney, and other key researchers and stakeholders.

The post will involve conducting research which aims to explore ways to improve the psychosocial experiences of dialysis and identify potential digital partners based on exploratory work and strategic fit. The successful candidate will also be expected to write academic papers, present at conferences and work within a multidisciplinary team and external organisations and charities.

#### **MAJOR DUTIES:**

- 1. Develop, plan and undertake research under supervision within the INVEST research project as a member of the research team.
- 2. Carry out analyses, critical evaluations, and interpretations using methodologies and other techniques appropriate to this area of research.
- 3. Draft interim and final reports to the funder.
- 4. Support and organise the research advisory group which will include a range of internal and external stakeholders.
- 5. Support PPI representatives so that they are well-prepared to contribute to the study.
- 6. Present regular progress reports on research to members of the research group and to external audiences to disseminate and publicise research findings.
- 7. Prepare, often in consultation with the principal investigator, material for publication in national and international journals and presentations at international conferences.
- 8. Assist grant holder in the preparation of funding proposals and applications to external bodies.
- 9. Carry out routine administrative tasks associated with the research project to ensure that project is completed on time and within budget. These might include organisation of project meetings and documentation, financial control, risk assessment of research activities.
- 10. Carry out occasional undergraduate supervision, demonstrating or lecturing duties within the post holder's area of expertise and under the direct guidance of a member of academic staff.
- 11. Read academic papers, journals and textbooks to keep abreast of developments in own specialism and related disciplines.

#### **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:**

- 1. Have, or be about to obtain\* a PhD in a relevant social science or healthcare discipline closely aligned with nursing. (\*must be obtained within 3 months of the closing date for the post).
- 2. Significant, relevant research experience.
- 3. Proven ability to manage a research project.
- 4. Experience using SPSS and also qualitative data analysis software.
- 5. Ability to contribute to broader management and administrative processes.

- 6. Contribute to the School's outreach programme by links with industry, community groups etc.
- 7. Evidence of good organisational and administrative skills.
- 8. Sufficient breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in the discipline and of research methods and techniques to work within established research programmes.
- 9. Excellent IT skills.
- 10. Ability to write research reports and publish papers in the peer reviewed literature.
- 11. Ability to communicate with a range of disciplines/professions.
- 12. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
- 13. Ability to build contacts and participate in internal and external networks.
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- 19. Ability and willingness to travel to meet the needs of the post.
- 20. Ability and willingness to work outside normal working hours.

### **DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

- 1. Experience and/or training in project management.
- 2. Experience and/or training in patient and public involvement in research.
- 3. Experience of working or research in chronic illness.
- 4. Experience of working or research in kidney disease.
- 5. Experience of working in a research team (including remotely).
- 6. Record of publication in health research journals.
- 7. Knowledge of renal replacement therapies.
- 8. Ability to participate and initiate research collaborations with wide range of stakeholders.