

JOB DESCRIPTION

POST TITLE:	Research Fellow
POST NUMBER:	A0229
GRADE:	8a (Salary £42,155 - £44,737)
RESPONSIBLE TO:	Professor Leah Avery
LOCATION:	School of Health and Life Sciences

JOB PURPOSE:

A part-time (0.60FTE) Research Fellow position is available for a period of 18 months within the Centre for Rehabilitation. The purpose of the role is to project manage the 'Increasing physical activity levels of people with heart failure (InAct-HF)' study. This externally funded study involves the evaluation of the theory and evidence-informed intervention that has been codesigned in collaboration with people with heart failure and clinicians involved with their care. The intervention will be evaluated across three NHS hospital Trusts in the north-east of England.

The research fellow will co-ordinate, manage and contribute to day to day project activity including study set-up, delivery of training to clinicians, recruitment of participants from each participating trust site, data collection, analyses, write up of findings and drafting of progress reports.

Given the nature of the research, ideally the post holder will have knowledge of heart failure, will have worked with people with heart failure in the clinical setting (e.g., conducted assessments and interviews) and clinicians involved with their care. They will have experience of intervention evaluation using a mixed-methods approach and will have excellent project management and organisational skills. The post holder will contribute towards future research funding applications, work towards high impact publications, and deliver conference presentations. It is expected that the post holder

will have published in the area of heart failure previously and has started to develop their CV in terms of competitive funding. Further details of the post are appended below.

The post holder will work under the direct supervision of Leah Avery, Professor of Applied Health Psychology. They will be a member of a wider multidisciplinary research team of medical and health professionals, exercise scientists, behavioural scientists, and intervention developers.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Project manage the InAct-HF study programme and liaise with the principal investigator regularly to communicate, discuss, and resolve issues arising which may affect the achievement of research objectives.
2. Arrange research team meetings to provide updates to the wider team
3. Co-ordinate, monitor and contribute towards day-to-day research activity, including recruitment, data collection and analyses.
4. Demonstrate excellent research skills and ability to work both independently and as part of a team.
5. Provide advice and supervision to junior researchers.
6. Publish research outputs in high quality peer-review journals and to present at national and international conferences and lay meetings/groups.
7. Adhere to the University's Health and Safety Policy and guidelines.
8. Promote Equality and Diversity for staff and students.
9. Any other reasonable duties that may be allocated from time to time commensurate with the grading of the post.