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**COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES**  
**Project Co ordinator X 1**  
**(12 MONTH CONTRACT, RENEWABLE)**  
**SCHOOL OF NURSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH**  
**CENTRE FOR RURAL HEALTH**  
**REFERENCE: ASENZE CRH**

**EARLY IDENTIFICATION OF NEUROCOGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT (NCI) IN ADOLESCENTS IN SECONDARY SCHOOL IN KWAZULU-NATAL**

The study seeks to test the feasibility of using 'NeuroScreen', an innovative neurocognitive assessment tool, to detect NCIs related to neurodevelopmental and learning disorders among adolescents in under-resourced schools through piloting the implementation of the tool within selected schools in KwaZulu-Natal. The study will work closely with the Department of Basic Education.

The study looks to appoint a Project Co-Ordinator who will work with Principal Investigators as part of a multi-disciplinary team to assist with pilot design, manage and conduct project implementation and administration, and contribute to analysis of findings.

This study is a supplement to the greater Asenze Study of Risk and Protection in Adolescence located in the Centre for Rural Health within the School of Nursing and Public Health at the University of KwaZulu-Natal with partners including the University of Columbia and National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Some of the responsibilities of this position are: managing ethics processes, piloting of Neuroscreen in selected schools, mapping referral systems and networks able to support learners identified with NCI, and assist in the development of workshop material to introduce implementation science approaches in global health to graduate students and staff. As well as assisting with other matters arising from the greater Asenze Project.

This position is based at The Centre for Rural Health, University of KwaZulu-Natal.

**Minimum Requirements:**

- Masters degree in Research Psychology, Educational Psychology, or similar.
- 5 years relevant experience in a research environment that must include:
  - At least 2 years of experience at project coordinator level

- Knowledge of the administration and/or analysis of cognitive assessments
- Proficiency in Microsoft Excel and Word
- Fluency in isiZulu and English
- Valid Drivers License

**Advantages:**

- PhD degree in Research Psychology, Educational Psychology, or similar
- Experience working with or within the South African basic education system
- Knowledge of implementation science approaches in global health

The project does not cover any relocation costs. This post reports to the Principal Investigators. Enquiries regarding this post as well as the request for the job profile may be directed to Kathryn Watt at e-mail address: [wattk@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:wattk@ukzn.ac.za)

**The closing date for receipt of applications is 26 August 2020. The University however, reserves the right in special circumstances to accept late applications or extend the above date in order to facilitate further searches.**

**Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies website at [www.ukzn.ac.za](http://www.ukzn.ac.za).**

**Completed application forms must be accompanied by a curriculum vitae, formatted to include each minimum requirement as stated in the advertisement, together with supporting documents where applicable, and a covering letter and must be sent to e-mail address: [crh@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:crh@ukzn.ac.za). Please quote ASENZE ADMIN CRH 21 as a reference in your subject line.**