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COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

RESEARCH ADMINISTRATOR (1-Year Fixed-Term appointment, renewable)

GERIATRICS SCHOOL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE MEDICAL SCHOOL CAMPUS

REF NO.: T/CM02/2017

The Department of Geriatrics is involved in a number of research projects, including the FRAX® study, which is a multicentre study (KZN, Gauteng and Western Cape), and MMed and PhD projects. The successful candidate will be responsible for coordinating the research projects of the department including the implementation and day-to-day running of the FRAX® study in the three selected provinces under the leadership of Professor B Cassim (University of KwaZulu-Natal). S/he will be required to engage the other Co-Principal Investigators, the Finance Officer of the College of Health Sciences, University of KwaZulu-Natal, and the specific region lead investigators, research coordinators and fieldworkers, finance (accountants) and administrative officers at all project sites. You may be required to perform additional roles as determined by the Principal Investigator.

Furthermore, the successful candidate will:

- Manage the FRAX® project and ensure that pre-established work scope, study protocol and regulatory requirements are followed;
- Recruit and train field workers as appropriate and serve as principle administrative liaison for the project;
- Develop and maintain an electronic database;
- Recruit and enroll research participants if necessary AND
- Assist and manage the MMed and PhD research projects in the department.

Minimum Requirements:

- Grade 12:
- Three-years' experience in clinical Research studies AND
- One year Experience with electronic databases (collation and data entry).

Essential Requirements:

- Good verbal communication; problem-solving; planning/organisational skills;
- Personal motivation;
- Project Management capabilities;
- Own transport and ability to travel to the study sites in Cape Town and Johannesburg;
- Strong knowledge of research administration including the following aspects:
 - Quality assurance
 - Research ethics, with training in and understanding of Good clinical practice and current certification;
- Knowledge of UKZN policies and processes;
- Interpersonal skills and supervision of field workers AND
- Office management: advanced computer skills.

Advantage:

Knowledge of statistical databases.

This post reports to Principal Investigator/Co-Principal Investigator. Enquiries regarding this post may be directed to: Professor B Cassim, email: cassimb@ukzn.ac.za The job profile is available from Mrs C Vedalankar, tel: 031 260 4537 or e-mail: vedalankarc@ukzn.ac.za You are invited to visit the College website at http://chs.ukzn.ac.za/Homepage.aspx

The total remunerative salary is R179,546.00 per annum. In addition, an annual service bonus is payable. The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 24th February 2017.

Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies website at www.ukzn.ac.za Completed forms may be sent to vedalankarc@ukzn.ac.za Please also include letter of motivation stating your suitability for the position. Please provide three names of referees, including their contact details.

Advert Reference Number MUST be clearly stated in the subject line.