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**COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES**

**SCHOOL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE, TOWN HILL HOSPITAL (PIETERMARITZBURG)**

**RESEARCH ASSISTANTS X1**

**(12 months Fixed Term appointment)**

**Discipline of Psychiatry**

**Ref No.: T/CM13/2022**

The Research Assistant will be working with an international research team in mapping the incidence (new cases) of Psychosis in KwaZulu-Natal, Msunduzi Municipality. The PSYMAP-ZN research team aims to identify all incident cases of psychosis in Msunduzi Local Municipality and determine the social, economic and environmental risk factors. The research team is looking for someone with good work ethic, good organizational and interpersonal skills. The person would also need to have an interest in research. The Research Assistant will be predominantly based at Town Hill Hospital (Pietermaritzburg).

**The Research Assistant will be required to:**

• Recruit participants, collect and enter data

• Translate (verbal/written) and transcribe data where necessary relating to the study protocol

• Be comfortable with electronic data capturing tools, submit data electronically, manage data and follow up study participants as per the protocol

• Organize and follow up on necessary assessments for study participants e.g. blood samples, or other tests

• Audit compliance of the study protocols by ensuring adequacy of follow -up of enrolled study participants and keep organized filing system of participant files

• Liaise with other members of the PSYMAP-ZN study team, community and stakeholder engagement

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**

• Degree in Psychology/ Social Science/ Nursing, equivalent or experience in mental health research.

• 1-year previous working experience as a Research Assistant

• Evidence of working with word-processing, spreadsheet, database, presentation, email and internet packages (Especially Excel, PowerPoint, Internet Explorer, Microsoft Office, REDCap)

• Valid South African Driver's License

**ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

• Fluency in isiZulu & knowledge of the study catchment area (Msunduzi Municipality)

This post reports to Prof B Chiliza. Enquiries regarding this post may be directed to Professor Bonginkosi Chiliza on 031-260 4321. The job profile is available from Miss Nwabisa Tsita, Tel: 06066695557 or e-mail: TsitaN@ukzn.ac.za .You are invited to visit the College website at http://chs.ukzn.ac.za/Homepage.aspx

**The closing date for receipt of applications is 15 June 2022. The University reserves the right not to make any appointment.**

**Applicants are required to complete an online screening form**
**https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeGBMot6GyPiBzZ-aAbn0w3tzErH6Dbn79xGh-pRMux1G5-Ng/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0 for the advertised post and the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies website at www.ukzn.ac.za.Completed forms may be sent to Nwabisa Tsita, TsitaN@ukzn.ac.za . The advert Reference Number MUST be clearly stated in the email subject line. If an applicant does not complete both the online screening form and the UKZN application form, the application for the vacancy will not be considered.**