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**JOB DESCRIPTION**

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| Post title: | **Research Nurse** | | |
| School/Department: | Human Development & Health / Winchester School of Art | | |
| Faculty: | Medicine | | |
| Career Pathway: | Research Nurse (RESN) | Level: | 4 |
| \*ERE category: | N/A | | |
| Posts responsible to: | Principal Investigator / Clinical Lead | | |
| Posts responsible for: | N/A | | |
| Post base: | Non Office-based (see job hazard analysis) | | |

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| Job purpose |
| To support a study that aims to trial an electrotherapy product with embedded pain relief and movement monitoring functions developed for the management of knee joint pain due to osteoarthritis.  The successful candidate will contribute to the development of the whole project, with specific responsibility for helping to coordinate appointments, undertake screening, recruitment, and follow-up appointments with participants, as well as helping with overall study organisation and dissemination activities. |

| Key accountabilities/primary responsibilities | | % Time |
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|  | Working to recruit participants for this study. | 10 % |
|  | Undertaking screening, recruitment & follow-up of research participants. This will include informing potential participants about the trial and answering questions, obtaining informed consent, randomising participants, collecting baseline and follow-up data and ensuring all the necessary regulatory and ethical frameworks of research conduct are observed. | 60% |
|  | Manage and implement a follow-up procedure, including accurate data collection. | 10% |
|  | To assist with other activities relevant to the efficient and safe operation of the trial.   * Contribute to the development of the Quality Management System (QMS) and Technical Documents required for regulatory approval of the medical device developed in this study. * Organise the prototype testing for the integrated system (TENS/EMS/IMU/app) when they are ready. * Contribute to the MHRA/HRA approval documentations for submission | 15% |
|  | Any other duties as allocated by the line manager following consultation with the post holder. | 5 % |

| Internal and external relationships |
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| Direct responsibility to holder of research award and clinical investigator  Liaison with Trial Managers to maintain accurate and up to date data  May have additional reporting and liaison responsibilities to external funding bodies or sponsors.  Collaborators/colleagues in other work areas and institutions.  Contact with non-research health professionals to ensure protocol requirements are met |

| Special Requirements |
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| To be available to participate in fieldwork as required by the specified research project, i.e. travel between study sites.  The post will be based between University Hospitals Southampton or Winchester School of Art but may include travel around the region (to GP surgeries).  There may be a need to work flexibly (including some work out-of-hours), independently and as part of a wider multi-disciplinary team, working closely with the other team members on a day-to-day basis.  An enhanced DBS may be required for this role |

| Additional information |
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**PERSON SPECIFICATION**

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| Criteria | Essential | Desirable | How to be assessed |
| Qualifications, knowledge and experience | Registered nurse: RN1: Adult nurse, level 1/ RNA: Adult nurse  Evidence of continuing professional development  IT literate (Competence in standard Microsoft Office software packages (Word, Excel and Powerpoint)  Understanding of research and clinical governance and regulatory requirements  Substantial post qualification experience | Degree in related subject  Clinical trials experience/ qualification  Experience of implementing or conducting work to a clinical research protocol  Experience of managing a case load of patients and clinical or trial databases  GCP training  Knowledge of medical device regulatory processes  Experience of MHRA exemption and HRA approval | CV, application, interview |
| Planning and organising | Able to work independently and as part of a multidisciplinary team  Ability to prioritise and work in a highly organised manner  Excellent time management skills  Self-motivated | Recognised time management and/or project management course | CV, application, interview |
| Problem solving and initiative | Ability to proactively problem solve  Confident at decision making |  | CV, application, interview |
| Management and teamwork | Ability to manage case load of patients  Supportive to other members of the team | Flexible approach | CV, application, interview |
| Communicating and influencing | Communicate new and complex information effectively, both verbally and in writing, engaging the interest and enthusiasm of the target audience  Work proactively with colleagues in other work areas/institutions, contributing specialist knowledge to achieve outcomes  Accurate record keeping (paper and electronic) | Experience of communicating/liaising with participants in a research/trial/study context | CV, application, interview |
| Other skills and behaviours | Understanding of relevant Health & Safety issues  Positive attitude to colleagues and students  Willing to undertake further training and education. |  | CV, application, interview |
| Special requirements | Interest in and enthusiasm for research  Willing and able to travel research sites  Ability and willingness to work flexibly. |  | CV, application, interview |

**JOB HAZARD ANALYSIS**

**Is this an office-based post?**

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| Yes | If this post is an office-based job with routine office hazards (eg: use of VDU), no further information needs to be supplied. Do not complete the section below. |
| No | If this post is not office-based or has some hazards other than routine office (eg: more than use of VDU) please complete the analysis below.  Hiring managers are asked to complete this section as accurately as possible to ensure the safety of the post-holder. |

## - HR will send a full PEHQ to all applicants for this position. Please note, if full health clearance is required for a role, this will apply to all individuals, including existing members of staff.

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| **ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURES** | **Occasionally**  (<30% of time) | **Frequently**  (30-60% of time) | **Constantly**  (> 60% of time) |
| Outside work |  |  |  |
| Extremes of temperature (eg: fridge/ furnace) |  |  |  |
| ## Potential for exposure to body fluids – Taking blood |  |  |  |
| ## Noise (greater than 80 dba - 8 hrs twa) |  |  |  |
| ## Exposure to hazardous substances (eg: solvents, liquids, dust, fumes, biohazards). Specify below: |  |  |  |
| Frequent hand washing |  | x |  |
| Ionising radiation |  |  |  |
| **EQUIPMENT/TOOLS/MACHINES USED** | | | |
| ## Food handling |  |  |  |
| ## Driving university vehicles(eg: car/van/LGV/PCV) |  |  |  |
| ## Use of latex gloves (prohibited unless specific clinical necessity) |  |  |  |
| ## Vibrating tools (eg: strimmers, hammer drill, lawnmowers) |  |  |  |
| **PHYSICAL ABILITIES** | | | |
| Load manual handling |  |  |  |
| Repetitive crouching/kneeling/stooping |  |  |  |
| Repetitive pulling/pushing |  |  |  |
| Repetitive lifting |  |  |  |
| Standing for prolonged periods |  |  |  |
| Repetitive climbing (ie: steps, stools, ladders, stairs) |  |  |  |
| Fine motor grips (eg: pipetting) |  |  |  |
| Gross motor grips |  |  |  |
| Repetitive reaching below shoulder height |  |  |  |
| Repetitive reaching at shoulder height |  |  |  |
| Repetitive reaching above shoulder height |  |  |  |
| **PSYCHOSOCIAL ISSUES** | | | |
| Face to face contact with public |  | x |  |
| Lone working |  | x |  |
| ## Shift work/night work/on call duties | x |  |  |