

Medic Job Description

Grade: Clinical Research Fellow Gastroenterology

Department: Research and Innovation

Reports to: Gastroenterology Research Lead and Head of Research

Job Summary:

Outstanding opportunity for an ambitious trainee gastroenterologist to gain experience of delivering clinical research under the supervision of Professor Pradeep Bhandari.

In addition to helping deliver NIHR portfolio studies, the post holder will be supported to develop an investigator led project subject to their interests and register for a higher degree if required. As a member of the wider medical Research Fellow team, the post holder will contribute to providing general medical cover and supporting Urgent Public Health studies as required.

Key Responsibilities:

Medical on call

Provide on-call cover (maximum frequency 1:6) as part of the general medical or surgical rota at Queen Alexandra Hospital.

RESEARCH FELLOW ROLE

Supporting the coordination, management and delivery of clinical trials and studies according to protocols.

Supporting the Principal Investigator and/or the Departmental Research Lead in submitting applications for NHS, Regulatory, Ethics and Governance permissions to conduct Clinical Trials within the Trust.

Identifying, screening and assessing the suitability of local patients to take part in research, according to specified inclusion/exclusion criteria. Ensuring trial specific investigations and sampling are undertaken as per the Protocol to establish eligibility and to ensure safe entry into trials.

Providing specialist information to patients about taking part in Clinical Trials, including the risks and benefits of participation in specific protocols. Initiating and facilitating the process of gaining their informed consent.

Acting as primary contact for participants and to be a source of information for these patients and their relatives and for the local Clinical teams, with respect to trial activities.

Liaising with other clinical departments, support departments and external organizations to ensure the successful delivery of trials.

Maintaining accurate documentation in an auditable format, and accurately record data as required by each Trial.

Identifying barriers to recruitment and performance, communicating these to the wider team, and help facilitate their resolution.

Working to Standard Operating Procedures (SOPS) for research activity and provide ongoing review and development of these SOPS.

Ensuring all activities undertaken meet the standards set out in the Principles of Good Clinical Practice (ICH-GCP, 1996) and National Research Governance Framework for Health & Social Care (DH, 2005). Enforce all applicable standards (e.g. 'Medicines for Human Use (Clinical Trials) Regulations 2004') for research.

Undertaking research projects in Gastroenterology. The post holder will be encouraged to register for an MD thesis or similar and present their findings at national meetings as well as publishing in peer reviewed journals.

Assisting with running current multi-centre clinical research trials – recruitment, consenting, performing procedures as per protocol. On completion of the trial data analysis, publishing of results and writing papers.

Write grant applications for future studies, as identified.

Actively participate in the research team meetings, including current research fellows, research nurses and department consultants.

Attend Research Fellow meetings as per the schedule, to describe delivery on Research Network Portfolio trials, quality improvements made, show knowledge transfer and progress on academic studies

Providing medical support for Urgent Public Health Research and other high priority NIHR research under the direction of the Wessex CRN fellowship programme.

Guideline Weekly Timetable

	AM	PM
Mon	Clinic	Dye spray list
Tues	Research/MDT	Admin/Research
Wed	RFA list	Therapeutic/dye spray list
Thurs	Therapeutic list	Research/therapeutic list
Fri	MDT (UGI/IBD)	Dye Spray list

Dye spray list includes assessment for advanced endoscopic therapies (EMR/ESD/FTRD/POEM) of UGI and LGI pathologies along with dilatations, post ESD/EMR follow up/APC and polyps/colitis surveillance.

Fellows are expected to join therapeutic list to support and train with Prof Bhandari.

Fellows do these lists to recruit patients to ongoing clinical trials.

Person Specification

Qualifications

Essential

- Successful completion of medical training to IMY2 level or equivalent.
- A pass achieved for part 2 written component of the MRCP examination or MRCS Part 2.
- Valid Advanced Life Support (ALS) certificate from a Resuscitation Council (UK) registered ALS courses

Skills and Knowledge

Essential

- An interest in clinical research
- Demonstration of enthusiasm and interest in a career in a medical speciality
- To be competent in managing common medical emergencies
- To have a good understanding of general medicine
- The ability to interact well intellectually and personally with colleagues and patients
- The ability to communicate with patients clearly
- The ability to complete work on time and work to deadlines
- Self-motivation, initiative and the ability to work both independently and as part of a busy team
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision
- Evidence of prioritising and organisational skills and the ability to meet tight deadlines
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills including presentation and report writing skills
- Good attention to detail

Desirable

- MSc or FRCS Intercollegiate/Full Membership of the Royal College of Physicians of the United Kingdom
- Good Clinical Practice certificate
- Peer reviewed publications

Desirable

- Critical appraisal and analytical skills for interpreting qualitative and quantitative information
- Previous experience working within the NHS

Working Together:

For Patients

With Compassion

As One Team

Always Improving

Job holders are required to act in such a way that at all times the health and well being of children and vulnerable adults is safeguarded. Familiarisation with and adherence to the Safeguarding Policies of the Trust is an essential requirement for all employees. In addition all staff are expected to complete essential/mandatory training in this area.



Print Name:

Date:

Signature: