

**Job Description**

**Senior Research Associate (NWCR)**

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| **Job Title:** Senior Research Associate | **Present Grade:** 7 |
| **Department/College:** Division of Health Research, Faculty of Health and Medicine |
| **Other contacts**  |
| **Internal:**Professor Sarah Brearley, Professor Catherine Walshe, Dr Amy Gadoud, Dr Anastasia Ushakova. Members of staff within Division, Faculty and University. **External:** To work in partnership with Dr Manon Pillai and other stakeholders at the Christie NHS Foundation Trust, North West Cancer Research, other members of the applicant team and other key stakeholders, including people affected by cancer and other academic, clinical and policy/practice links. |
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| **Major Duties:**To assist in conducting a mixed methods study mapping illness trajectories for people with advanced cancer receiving immunotherapy treatment to identify palliative care need as part of a project team and under supervision. With supervision, the key activities of the Senior Research Associate are to: Take responsibility for collecting, collating and analyzing the qualitative information gained throughout the evaluation, including: * Maintaining record systems for the project.
* Following ethical principles in the research.
* Lead on the analysis of a qualitative component of a survey
* Lead on the conduct and analysis of interview component of the research.
* Assisting in the organisation, conduct and information gathering of the Deliberative Panel.
* Organising regular team meetings.
* Attending meetings with and engaging with NWCR in order to maximise impact and coherence with charity strategy.
* Ensuring identified data handling processes are followed.
* Preparing regular update information on the research for the Christie and NWCR.
* Making a major contribution to the preparation of interim reports.
* Assisting in the preparation and presentation of a main publication and a final report.
* To report research findings in the form of conference abstracts or talks at local and national events/conferences.
* Assisting in the preparation of publications for peer reviewed journals.

Additional responsibilities:* Preparing and circulating participant information packs to sites.
* Liaising with respondents to organise participant interviews.
* Gathering and collating primary information and analysis, including the development of developing a coding framework.
* Managing the transfer of data securely to the transcription service.
* Organising analysis days with the research team.

To attend meetings specific to the project and general meetings including: * Regular internal and external project meetings
* Relevant internal meetings of the IOELC, Division of Health Research and Faculty of Health and Medicine at Lancaster University  To attend training specific to the project and undertake research in the relevant fields.
* Undertake any other duties as required by Head of Division or nominated representative.
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