JOB DESCRIPTION
Senior Research Associate
Vacancy Ref: A2393

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<td>Department/College: Division of Health Research</td>
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<td>Directly responsible to: Professor Jennie Popay</td>
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Other contacts
Internal:
Dr Mark Limmer, Dr Emma Halliday, Dr Michelle Collins, Hannah Chadburn, members of the Centre for Health Inequalities within DHR and other members of the CIC3 team in DHR and also contact with other staff in DHR, Faculty and across the University.

External:
Liverpool members of the Liverpool and Lancaster Collaboration for Public Health Research including members of the CIC 3 team and members of the CIC3 teams at the Universities of Newcastle, Durham and London school of hygiene and tropical medicine, other members of the NIHR School for Public Health Research and collaborators on research funded from other sources in the UK and other countries. Contacts with residents where research is taking place as well as public health workforce.

Major Duties:
The post holder will work across several projects all of which will have a focus on contributing to evidence on action to address the upstream social determinants health inequalities. Approximately 30% of time will be dedicated to Phase 3 of the Communities in Control Study (an evaluation of the health inequalities impact of a natural experiment in community empowerment) funded by the NIHR Public Health Research Programme. The remaining 70% of time will be devoted to work on projects funded within the NIHR School for Public Health Research. The division of time between these two aspects of the role will vary depending on fieldwork and other demands but in general the post will involve:

Communities in Control Phase 3:

- Day to day management and delivery of qualitative fieldwork including recruiting sites, collection & analysis of documentary data and data from observations, interviews and focus groups
- Maintaining with other team members a systematic process for coding and storing data from fieldwork in sites managed by Lancaster university and by other partners in this research
- Responsible for coordination of specific research activities of external team members as part of qualitative data collection and piloting of research tools.
- Analysis/synthesis of fieldwork data and documentary review independent of supervisor
- Coordinate (with team members in partner organisations) public and practitioner engagement programme including co-production of resources for practitioners and communities.
- Co-ordinate public involvement activities with other university partners for Communities in Control Study to engage members of public in research process
- Contribution to production of journal articles and other outputs

Developing and undertaking research and development activities on other projects with colleagues in LiLaC
The post holder will also be required to work with other colleagues on existing research within SPHR and where appropriate to develop new research and development activities. This work will involve primarily qualitative study designs and will focus on either young people or place based interventions and will include but may not be restricted to:

- The management and conduct of fieldwork utilising qualitative research methods
- Contribution to writing up journal articles and other outputs from research
- Establishing and supporting systems for involving relevant public members in the research
- Impact Assessment
- Participation in writing research proposals that build on the expertise in public health in DHR

**General**

In addition to the above, the post holder will be expected to:

- Keep in regular contact with the project leads and work in collaboration with the LiLaC team
- Liaise with external members of the research team as required
- Work flexibly to meet various engagement and research deadlines
- Lead and contribute to the dissemination and writing of academic and non-academic outputs
- Represent the LiLaC team on external committees convened by the NIHR School for Public Health Research
- Undertake any other related activities as required by the line manager
- Undertake any other duties as directed by Head of Division or nominated representative
- In addition to the specific roles and responsibilities set out in the job description the post holder will be expected to contribute generally to the intellectual life of the wider Department, Faculty and University.