

JOB DESCRIPTION Vacancy Ref: A2572

Job Title:	Research Assoc	Present Grade: 6	
Department/C	College:	Division of Health Research	
Directly responsible to:		Professor Nancy Preston	
Supervisory responsibility for:		N/A	

Other contacts

Internal:

International Observatory on End of Life Care team; staff within the Division, Faculty and University.

External:

Palliative Sedation consortium members, local, national and international government organizations, INGOs, professional bodies, academic and research networks

Major Duties:

To assist in the conduct, as part of a project team and under supervision, of a research project funded by the European Commission Horizon 2020 Programme 'Palliative Sedation' - The use of proportional palliative sedation for the relief of refractory symptoms: an international multicentre study (2019-2023). Under the supervision of the consortium partners, the key activities of the Research Associate are as follows.

- To assist with UK arm of international study:
 - o Preparing ethical approval documents
 - Liaison with research sites
 - Recruitment of participants
 - o Preparing and conducting focus groups and interviews
 - o Data collection and data management
- To assist in the collation and preparation of the information gained throughout the research project, as part of a work package to develop an online educational programme for palliative sedation including:
 - o Development of an online e-learning resource
 - o Implementation of a Massive open online course (MOOC)
 - o Liaising with Consortium members to assist producing online education
 - Assisting in the preparation of project website, social media outputs, blogs, online course, reports and other publications.
- To attend meetings specific to the project and general meetings within the Universities, including:
 - Maintaining record systems for the project
 - Regular project meetings at Lancaster University
 - Meetings of the project consortium and specific work packages in Europe
 - Relevant internal meetings of the International Observatory on End of Life Care, Division of Health Research and Faculty of Health & Medicine at Lancaster University
- To attend training specific to the project and engage in research in the field of cancer, supportive, palliative and end-of-life care in a European context.
- Any other duties commensurate with the post as determined by Head of Division, WP7 lead or nominated representative.