

# JOB DESCRIPTION Senior Research Associate, Division of Health Research

# Vacancy Ref: A3762

Job Title: Senior Research Associate		Present Grade: 7	
Department/College:		Division of Health Research	
Directly responsible to:		Dr Emma Halliday, Senior Research Fellow (PHIRST @ LiLaC co-lead investigator)	
Supervisory responsibility for:		Some supervision of community researchers	
Other contacts			

## Internal:

Other members of the Public Health Intervention Responsive Studies Team (PHIRST) at Lancaster University and associated staff. Colleagues within Division, Faculty and University.

#### External:

Co-lead investigator (Professor Ben Barr), co-applicants and team members at Liverpool University and public health practitioner and public co-applicants/collaborators. Local authorities across the UK receiving evaluation support from the PHIRST team at Liverpool and Lancaster Universities (LiLaC collaboration). Other local organisations (e.g. health, community and voluntary sector) and local communities and members of the public based in settings where the research is conducted. Members of the Steering Group including representatives from local government and charitable funder organisations working at a national level.

### **Major Duties:**

The key activities of the Senior Research Associate will be:

- To undertake the day-to-day management and delivery of qualitative and participatory research in local government and community settings including the conduct, analysis and writing up of the research;
- To undertake rapid literature and documentary reviews to inform evaluation planning;
- To establish and maintain relationships with local authorities, community members and other local agencies in settings where research is conducted;
- To help support structures for public involvement within the PHIRST and in relation to specific research projects;
- To help plan responsive evaluation studies of local authority initiatives and services including organisation of workshops with local authority partners and members of the public;
- To prepare ethical and governance approvals;
- To prepare reports of findings for local authority and other audiences;
- To present research findings at meetings, or local and national events and conferences with policy, practitioner or academic audiences;
- To prepare publications for peer reviewed journals as a co- or lead-author;
- To contribute to the production of progress and final reports to the funder;
- To contribute to PHIRST meetings, events and other initiatives as required;
- To undertake any other duties as required by the lead Investigators, Head of Division or nominated representative.