

# **PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH NURSE**

## **Recruitment Advert**

**REFERENCE NUMBER: DUR/RESNUR/006/2016/DEC**

The Africa Centre for Population Health of the University of KwaZulu-Natal has merged with the KwaZulu-Natal Research Institute for TB-HIV (K-RITH) to form the Africa Health Research Institute (AHRI) one of South Africa's largest independent research institutes.

The unification of these local institutes brings together the basic science research of K-RITH and the population based surveillance and health intervention of the Africa Centre into a new interdisciplinary research institute. We aim to become a source of fundamental discoveries into the susceptibility, transmission and cure of HIV and TB and related diseases, seeking ways to improve diagnosis, prevention and treatment. AHRI is committed to motivating young scientists to address the crises of TB and HIV by expanding the science education opportunities in the region as well as strengthening the TB and HIV research capabilities of scientists across Africa.

AHRI's principal funders are Wellcome Trust and HHMI and is the only research institute in the world receiving substantial joint funding from these two donors. UKZN and University College London are AHRI's research and academic partners.

### **Brief overview of the position:**

The Professional Nurse will be involved in several AHRI Clinical Core Research Projects. He/She is responsible for collecting specimens which will be analysed by medical laboratory personnel. He/She is responsible for practising nursing pathology and phlebotomy procedures by ensuring that the interaction with the patient is conducted with empathy and professionalism. He/She is responsible for general client and laboratory administration. The successful candidate will be based in our Durban Site.

### **Minimum Qualifications**

1. Nursing Diploma
2. Current registration with the SANC and covered for professional indemnity e.g. DENOSA;
3. HPCSA Certified Phlebotomy training
4. Recognised HIV/AIDS counselling certification
5. Good Clinical Practice (GCP) certification
6. Own vehicle and valid driver's license. Must be a confident driver.

### **Minimum Experience**

1. 4 years nursing experience with at least 2 years' experience in phlebotomy
2. Previous research experience;
3. Paediatrics experience;

4. Experience in HIV teaching/training/pre and post-test counselling;
5. Computer literacy and experience working with MS Office packages

**Added Advantage**

1. Project Management and data collection experience
2. Surgical/Theatre experience

**Knowledge and abilities required**

1. HIV/AIDS management skills;
2. Good communication, management and team skills;
3. Fluency in English and isiZulu;
4. Compassionate/sensitive towards patients;
5. Capable of interacting with persons of different cultures;
6. Self-directed, highly motivated, adaptable;
7. Willingness to work at different research sites in and around Durban

**Remuneration:**

The remuneration package for this position is market related and will depend on the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate.

**Application Format:**

Please note that applications for employment are only received on the official application form which may be accessed by clicking [here](#) or by request via email, telephone or in person. Applicants are required to email their detailed application to [recruitment@ahri.org](mailto:recruitment@ahri.org) together with certified copies of qualification certificates. The post reference number must be indicated in the subject line of the email. Telephonic enquiries pertaining to this post may be directed to the HR Department at 031 260 1397. Only those candidates who meet the minimum requirements will be considered.

AHRI is fully compliant with South African labour law and is committed to employment equity. This position is open to South African applicants and also valid work permit holders.

**Application Closing Date:**

The closing date for receipt of applications is **09 January 2017**. AHRI reserves the right in special circumstances to accept late applications or to extend the above date in order to facilitate further searches. Furthermore, AHRI reserves the right not to make an appointment. Please consider your application unsuccessful if you have not been contacted within 4 weeks of the closing date.