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COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES SCHOOL OF NURSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH CENTRE FOR RURAL HEALTH SENIOR RESEARCHER/PROJECT MANAGER (5 YEAR CONTRACT) REFERENCE: NPH08/2017

Southern African Research Consortium for Mental health INTegration (S-MhINT)

SMhINT is a multi-national research consortium located in the Centre for Rural Health within the School of Nursing and Public Health at the University of KwaZulu-Natal with partners including the University of Washington, Health Alliance International, Muhimbili University (Tanzania), Health Alliance International (Mozambique) and the Knowledge Translation Unit (University of Cape Town).

The project director who will work as part of a multi-disciplinary team to manage project activities and liaise with project partners and facilities will be responsible for coordinating the activities of a trans-disciplinary research consortium of academics, government representatives and non-governmental organizations in South Africa, Mozambique and Tanzania to address the burden of common mental disorders in primary health care settings. S/he will also be managing the evaluation of an existing scale-up of integrated mental health at primary health care level in two districts in Amajuba in the Province of KwaZulu-Natal and Ehlanzeni in Mpumalanga province. In addition s/he will co-ordinate capacity building in implementation science and dissemination research (ISDR) in South Africa, Mozambique and Tanzania.

This appointment is an externally funded academic appointment against either the lecturer or senior lecturer remuneration range. The academic level of the successful incumbent will be determined during the selection process in line with the University Senate-approved criteria for academic promotions which is available on the HR Vacancies Website – http://vacancies.ukzn.ac.za/Home.aspx

Minimum Requirements

- PhD in either Public Health/Public Mental Health/Health Promotion or Psychology
- Experience of working in an institution specializing in either of the area's indicated above
- Relevant and appropriate experience in Research project management
- Relevant and appropriate publication record in either of the areas indicated above

Advantages

- Experience in working with multiple partners
- Valid South African drivers licence
- Fluency in isiZulu and SiSwati

This position is based full-time at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. The candidate will be required to travel throughout South Africa. International travel will also be expected. The project does not cover any relocation costs.

This post reports to the S-MhINT principle Investigator. Enquiries regarding this post as well as the request for the job profile may be directed to Ms Bavashni Govender on 031-260 4500 or email: crh@ukzn.ac.za

The total remuneration package offered includes benefits. .

The closing date for receipt of applications is 18 August 2017. The University however, reserves the right in special circumstances to accept late applications or extend the above date in order to facilitate further searches.

Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies website at www.ukzn.ac.za.

Completed forms must be accompanied by a curriculum vitae formatted to include each minimum requirement as stated in the advertisement, together with supporting documents where applicable, and a covering letter and must be sent to E-mail address crh@ukzn.ac.za. Please quote NPH08/2017 as a reference in your subject line.