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COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

PALLIATIVE CARE JUNIOR RESEARCHER

(GRADE 11)

FIVE-MONTH CONTRACT

SCHOOL OF NURSING & PUBLIC HEALTH

DISCIPLINE OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEDICINE

REFERENCE NUMBER: T/NPH14/2025

The Discipline of Public Health Medicine (Cancer Research Project) is seeking a dynamic and experienced individual to fill the position of Palliative Care Junior Researcher for the Multinational Lung Cancer Control Program in Sub-Saharan Africa (MLCCP) project (KZN-South Africa Site). The Palliative Care Junior Researcher will be responsible for providing psychosocial support to patients with lung cancer and their families, while also contributing to the research objectives of the project. The candidate will primarily be based at Addington Hospital, Durban. The project ends on 31st January 2026.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

- A Bachelor's degree in Social Work.
- Current Registration with the South African Council of Social Services Professions (SACSSP) as a Social Worker.
- Experience working in palliation, cancer care, and a research environment.
- Experience working as part of a multidisciplinary team.
- Experience with electronic data collection software (e.g., REDCap).
- Excellent communication skills.

The post reports to the Clinical Social Worker. Enquiries may be addressed to Ms Siphumelele Nene, Email: Nenes2@ukzn.ac.za. Tel: 031 260 4704.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 02 September 2025. The University, however, reserves the right in special circumstances to accept late applications or to extend the above date to facilitate further searches.

Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form (support), which is available on the Vacancies website at www.ukzn.ac.za. Completed forms may be sent to MLCCP@ukzn.ac.za

Please state the JOB TITLE in the subject line.