



NMAHP Researcher Development Institute Master's in Clinical Research Fellowship

Launch Date – 26th March 2024

We are delighted to offer this exciting opportunity to one of our NMAHPs. This part-time, charitably funded, NMAHP Researcher Development Institute Master's in Clinical Research Fellowship is designed to enable professionals to remain clinical alongside their research development.

Summary

One of our commitments at Newcastle Hospitals is to inspire and enable nurses, midwives, and allied health professionals (NMAHPs) to lead and develop research that makes a difference to patient lives.

We will be running a **Q & A session** on Teams from 3:00 – 4:00 pm on Thursday 17th April 2024. To register for the Q & A session, please click [here](#).

Applications should be submitted to nuth.NMAHPResearch@nhs.net by 12 midday on Thursday 9th May 2024

What is a Master's in Clinical Research Fellowship and what does the funding provide?

There are two distinct streams on offer, which allow applicants to choose the level of support most appropriate for their individual requirements.

- 1) **Full Masters in Research programme:** The fellowship will enable an individual Nurse, Midwife or AHP to undertake a full Master's in Clinical Research programme with an identified University. The fellowship is part-time and designed to allow the individual to remain present and visible within the clinical department, whilst undertaking the research programme alongside.

The award will fund backfill up to 0.5 WTE of salary and associated tuition fees for the duration of the programme (maximum 3 years).

- 2) **Masters in Research bespoke training programme:** This flexible fellowship will enable an individual Nurse, Midwife or AHP to undertake a small amount of research related academic training at Masters level, with protected, funded time to develop their research expertise and career. The fellowship is part-time and designed to allow the individual to remain present and visible within the clinical department, whilst undertaking the research-training programme alongside.

The award will fund backfill up to 0.5WTE (2.5 days a week for up to 18 months)

- up to £4500 for formal courses, modules or other relevant research related training and development activities

Who is eligible to apply?

- You must be employed by The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and have been employed in a substantive post for more than 12 months.
- Applications are open to Band 5, 6, 7 and 8a.
- Applications are open to Nurses, Midwives, and Allied Health Professionals, as identified via NHS England here: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/ahp/role>

What are the timeframes and deadlines for this application?

- This application opens on **Tuesday 26th March 2024**
- A Q & A session will be held on **Thursday 17th April**
- Applications should be submitted to nuth.NMAHPResearch@nhs.net **by no later than 12pm on Thursday 9th May 2024**. Applications submitted after this time will not be considered. A panel of individuals with relevant clinical and academic expertise will consider your application. Their assessment will be based on your responses to each section/question. Please ensure you read each question carefully.
- **Please be aware there are two different application forms depending on the stream chosen.**
- Outcomes will be communicated to applicants on **Thursday 13th June 2024**.
- The successful applicant will commence their fellowship in **September/October 2024**.

Is there anything else we need to know?

Please ensure you review the FAQs below to support your application. If you have any further questions or feedback, please let us know either via the Q&A event advertised above, or via email to the address supplied.

What to do next if you are interested in applying

Complete the application form below and submit by the deadline.

Direct any questions to nuth.NMAHPResearch@nhs.net

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to receiving your application.

FAQs

1. Why has the Masters in Research Bespoke stream been created?

Following feedback, the second stream has been developed in response to the training needs of NMAHPs in order to assist in furthering their career in research. For example, NMAHPs may already hold Masters level qualification or other research

training and may feel a less traditional academic programme is more pertinent to the training and development needs of the NMAHP and their individual research plan.

2. What sort of training can I do as part of the Bespoke Masters in Research fellowship?

At least one formal academic training module at Master's level combined with other training courses, conferences, research development courses or PPIE engagement activities as long as the NMAHP can justify as to why it fits with their Research plan and their training and development needs. Up to the value of £4500

3. If I have commenced a Masters already, can I apply to support the final years of my programme?

To be eligible to apply, you should not have already commenced a Master's programme.

4. There have been previous issues with NJRO regarding set-up fees, is there any agreement in place with the NJRO in regard to this?

Nothing in place at present and we are still in a position that we would ask for the set-up fees be waived, but we are looking at this going forward.

5. For the Full Masters programme, are you expected to conduct your own study?

*The **full Master's in research programme** usually has a requirement to undertake some research activity for your final module, but this will depend on a number of issues. Regardless, you would be fully supported to achieve the requirements of the MRes programme by your academic and workplace supervisors.*