Job Description

NIHR Academic Clinical Fellow in Primary Care and Community Care:
Geriatric Medicine, General Practice and General Psychiatry
University of Exeter Medical School

1. Job title & entry level(s):

Academic Clinical Fellow

General Practice: ST1, ST2, ST3
Geriatric Medicine: IMT1, IMT2, IMT3, ST4
General Psychiatry: CT1, CT2, CT3, ST4

2. Duration of post:

3 years (FTE)
Candidates working Less Than Full Time (LTFT) or would like should notify the relevant Local Office/Deanery at point of offer of your intention to work LTFT and this will be considered against the national eligibility criteria.

3. Hospitals in which training will take place:

[TRAINING PROGRAMME TO PROVIDE ROTATIONS]
This training post is based in the Peninsula Deanery. Rotations have not been confirmed unless stated below. Should you wish to explore this in more detail, please get in touch with the Training Programme Director.
Clinical academic training is usually co-located and so we would expect the majority of rotations to be based in Exeter. However, this is subject to confirmation from the Training Programme Director and may vary depending on specialty and supervisor location.

4. Research institutions in which training will take place:

University of Exeter -
https://www.exeter.ac.uk/faculties/hls/studying/catp/doctors/academicclinicalfellow/

5. Timetabling of clinical and research time:

75% clinical 25% research in a flexible way during the working week or months in accordance with pre-agreed arrangements between the clinical and academic supervisors.

6. Description of research component of programme

Primary and Community Care Research is mostly centred around the Exeter Collaboration for Academic Primary Care (APEx), which is one of only nine member schools of the NIHR School for Primary Care Research: https://medicine.exeter.ac.uk/health-community/research/apex /

ACFs will have opportunities to undertake projects within the five Themes of APEx. These themes are primary care delivery; rehabilitation; cancer detection and diagnosis; mental health, and long-term conditions, all underpinned by strong patient and public involvement and engagement.

For each theme there is an established programme of work and a track record of impact and excellence; strong cross-collaboration exists between themes and across the University. Projects are available across a range of primary and community care settings, either as de novo studies or as ‘add-on’ studies to existing projects and programmes. APEx also hosts a vibrant community of early-career clinical academic primary care researchers including NIHR Academic Clinical Fellows, clinical PhD students, and NIHR Clinical Lecturers.

Professor Rupert Payne R.A.Payne@exeter.ac.uk can be contacted for an informal discussion about opportunities within APEx.

Applicants may also contact the Exeter IAT Lead (see below) for further advice on research opportunities linked to their specialty. ACFs in Geriatric Medicine may also be interested in collaborating with the Clinical Academic Department of Ageing and Brain Health (led by Prof Jane Masoli), and ACFs in General Psychiatry will have the opportunity to link with the NIHR ARC South West Mental Health theme. https://arc-sw.nihr.ac.uk/research-theme/mental-health/

7. Description of clinical training component of programme

For details regarding the clinical training programme, please visit the Peninsula Deanery School webpage. Contact details are available for each of the schools. If you would like information, please do not hesitate to contact the team.

8. Academic Supervisor / Academic Programme Director:

All trainees will have access to expert academic supervision. Trainees are welcome to identify supervisors from amongst senior academic staff in our medical school. Integrated academic programme leads are more than happy to provide support and advice on this issue

Integrated Academic Training Lead(s):

- Professor Tamsin Newlove-Delgado (t.newlove-delgado@exeter.ac.uk)

9. Clinical Training Programme Director:

- General Practice:
  - Dr William Edney (william.edney@nhs.net)

- Geriatric Medicine:
  - Core: Core (IMT): Dr Julia Bell and Dr John Corcoran (julia.bell1@nhs.net & john.corcoran1@nhs.net)
  - Higher: Dr Tracey Grey (tracey.grey2@nhs.net)

- General Psychiatry:
  - Core: Dr Subhash Gupta (subhash.gupta@nhs.net)
  - Higher: Dr Adarsh Shetty (adarsh.shetty@nhs.net)

10. Deanery contact for further information:

Recruitment Hotline: 01454 252 610
Recruitment Inbox: England.ACFRecruitment.sw@nhs.net

11. Useful websites for further information:

NIHR Integrated Academic Training Website: http://www.nihr.ac.uk/IAT

Resident Doctor Pay Scales (link to latest pay Circular): https://www.bma.org.uk/pay-and-contracts/pay/junior-doctors-pay-scales/pay-scales-for-junior-doctors-in-england

University Clinical Academic Training website:
https://www.exeter.ac.uk/faculties/hls/studying/catp/doctors/academicclinicalfellow/
https://www.exeter.ac.uk/faculties/hls/studying/catp/

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