Dublin City University  
School of Nursing and Human Sciences

Postdoctoral Researcher – Level 1  
Parent-adolescent communication and negotiation of self-management  
responsibilities for adolescents’ with Type 1 Diabetes  
(3 year contract)

As part of this role the researcher will be required to participate in the DCU Research Career Framework. This framework is designed to provide significant professional development opportunities to Researchers and offer the best opportunities in terms of a wider career path.

Background & Role
We are seeking to recruit a Postdoctoral Researcher from May 2016. The post offers an exciting opportunity to join an interdisciplinary research team at Dublin City University, St Angela’s College Sligo and Temple Street Children’s University Hospital with national (Diabetes Ireland, Youth Work Ireland) and international institution collaborators from the University of Leeds, Sheffield and Oregon). The purpose of this five phased mixed method research project is to examine parent-adolescent communication and negotiation of self-management responsibilities for adolescents’ with Type 1 Diabetes. This research project is funded by the Health Research Board. The Postdoctoral Researcher will be based in the School of Nursing and Human Sciences, Dublin City University.

Roles & Responsibilities
Reporting to his/her Principal Investigator, the Postdoctoral Researcher will:

- Conduct a specified programme of research on communication and negotiation of self-management responsibilities for adolescents’ with Type 1 Diabetes under the supervision and direction of the Principal Investigator/s
- Liaise with both internal and external stakeholders including clinical, research and academic partners/collaborators
- Engage in the dissemination of the results of the research in which he/she is engaged at national/international conferences and publish research outputs in high impact international journals with the support of and under the supervision of the Principal Investigator
- Assist the Principal Investigator in identifying and developing future research and funding initiatives
• Supervise and assist undergraduate students working in this area with their research
• Engage in appropriate training and development opportunities as required by the Principal Investigator, the School or Research Centre, or the University.
• Engage in teaching and teaching support as assigned by and in agreement with the Head of School, under the direction of the Principal Investigator
• Carry out administrative work associated with the programme of research as necessary

Minimum Criteria
Applicants must have a PhD in a health related discipline (e.g. (but not limited to) nursing, psychology, social sciences). It is essential that the candidate has experience in health related research and experience of negotiating a clinical environment (e.g. interacting with clinicians and recruiting patients for research purposes). Candidate experience in developing self-management and psychosocial interventions is also desirable. In addition, it is desirable that the candidate has well-developed qualitative and quantitative skills. Good communication and interpersonal skills, and the ability to work effectively as part of an interdisciplinary, multi-centre, team are also required.

Salary: €37,750

Closing date: 8th February 2016

Candidates will be assessed on the following competencies:

Discipline knowledge and Research skills – Demonstrates knowledge of a research discipline and the ability to conduct a specific programme of research within that discipline.

Understanding the Research Environment – Demonstrates an awareness of the research environment (for example funding bodies) and the ability to contribute to grant applications.

Communicating Research – Demonstrates the ability to communicate their research with their peers and the wider research community (for example presenting at conferences and publishing research in relevant journals) and the potential to teach and tutor students.

Managing & Leadership skills - Demonstrates the potential to manage a research project including the supervision of undergraduate/postgraduate students.
Informal enquiries to:
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Application procedure:
Application forms are available from the DCU Current Vacancies (Open Competitions) website at http://www4.dcu.ie/hr/vacancies/current.shtml and also from the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9. Tel: +353 (0)1 700 5149; Fax +353 (0)1 700 5500 Email: hr.applications@dcu.ie. Along with the application form, please submit a CV and cover letter.

Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line: Job Ref 228 Postdoctoral Researcher

Applications should be submitted by e-mail to hr.applications@dcu.ie or by Fax: +353 (0)1 700 5500 or by post to the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9.

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