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## Faculty of Health and Life Sciences

### POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

**Area: Institute of Population Health. Department of Public Health, Policy and Systems**

**Job Ref: 044706**

**Location: University Campus**

**Salary: £35,327 - £40,928 pa**

**Grade: 7**

**Working Hours: Full Time**

**Tenure: This post is available on a fixed term basis from 1 October 2022 until 30 September 2024.**

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## About the Role



### Role overview and University context:

This is an exciting opportunity for a quantitative researcher to make a practical contribution to reducing health inequalities and improving the health of the population of the North West Coast.

The post is based at the University of Liverpool and will work across the NIHR Applied Research Collaboration for the North West Coast (NIHR ARC NWC). The NIHR ARC NWC embraces over 60 Member Organisations- including, 5 Universities, almost all the NHS trusts in the region, 9 Local Authorities, plus many primary care, third sector and charity organisations. Our Public Advisor Forum has ~90 members. Visit our website (<https://arc-nwc.nihr.ac.uk/>) for a flavour of the exciting co-produced applied research programme focused on reducing health inequalities in health and social care.

You will play a key role in the delivery of multiple applied research and implementation projects providing project development, delivery and reporting support. This post is flexible as the postholder will be supporting activity across research themes. For co-ordination and line management you will be managed within the Care and Health Informatics cross-cutting theme (based in the University of Liverpool but working across the NIHR ARC NWC) reporting to the Theme Lead Professor Sarah Rodgers.

### Responsibilities:

In this role you will take responsibility for working directly with the wider NIHR ARC NWC team, NIHR ARC NWC partners and members of the public/service users/carers to identify appropriate areas for research. Generic post-doctoral research fellows such as this post assist in the development of projects, grant writing (with opportunities to be Co-I/PI on proposals), data collection, collation and analysis and writing papers for publication. There are also more general engagement support roles working with member organisations and public Advisors as well as academic colleagues. Familiarity with a range of methods, quantitative and qualitative will be an advantage, as will experience developing and delivering research projects, grant-writing and a track record of publications, particularly as 1st author.

The post offers a great opportunity to engage with a variety of groups and research grant and publication opportunities. You will be expected to play an active role in identifying research prospects relevant to the interests of NIHR ARC NWC and developing them into grant applications and projects. You will have the chance to make major contributions to the publication of high-quality research papers and disseminating impactful research across the region. In particular there are a number of COVID-19 related projects in the writing phase and it is anticipated the postholder will play a significant role in preparing papers for publication from drafts and/or existing datasets alongside the relevant research teams.

Whilst the post is based in central Liverpool, the successful candidate should expect to attend meetings and events across the North West Coast area, as well as nationally, although many of these will be hybrid or remote as well as face to face.



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You will have a PhD in Applied/Health Services Research, related social science applied to health, or similar, and experience of conducting high quality academic research. as well as project management skills, with a track record of developing and delivering projects. Experience within health and/or social care environments would be an advantage but not a pre-requisite,

### Duties:

- Undertake other duties commensurate with the grade as required.

### In addition to the above, all University of Liverpool staff are required to:

- Adhere to all University policies and procedures, completing all obligatory training and induction modules, including Equality & Diversity and Health & Safety.
- Respect confidentiality: all confidential information should be kept in confidence and not released to unauthorised persons.
- Participate in the University's Professional Development Review scheme and take a proactive approach to own professional development.
- Demonstrate customer service excellence in dealing with all stakeholders.
- Embody and uphold the University's Vision and Values.



## About You



### Essential Criteria

### Desirable Criteria

#### Experience

Conducting quantitative and/or qualitative research design and analysis in health or social care settings

Experience of mixed methods research design and analysis. Advanced qualitative data analysis and theory underpinned data interpretation Experience of co-production/public involvement in research Experience in handling, cleaning and analysing health/medical data

A track record of delivering research publications and other research outputs. Presentations at conferences and seminars

Lead author experience

Familiarity with applied research in health/social care settings and health inequalities/equity

Working with the NHS or health and social care organisations and applying academic expertise to help solve practical data driven problems. Track record of research with Health Inequalities focus

#### Education, Qualifications and Training

PhD (submitted or awarded) or equivalent experience in a relevant area

PhD in an applied health/social care research.

#### Skills, General and Special Knowledge

Knowledge of quantitative and/or qualitative methods for research design and analysis

Mixed methods/qualitative research experience Experience/expertise in: Systematic/Scoping Reviews/Evidence Synthesis

Excellent written and verbal communication skills including and scientific writing skills

#### Personal Attributes and Circumstances

Problem solving skills

Leading a grant application

Contributing to grant-writing



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When you work at the University of Liverpool you are more than just your job role. You are a crucial part of our mission to improve lives on a local, national and international scale.

### **Why Work Here**

We recognise, appreciate and celebrate the incredible work our staff do every day. As well as generous terms and conditions, we offer a range of enviable benefits and provide support for colleague's wellbeing and development. Discover more [here](#).

### **Moving from abroad**

As a global institute, we welcome applicants from all nationalities, moving from a different country can be challenging and we would like to help as much as we can, we have put together some information on eligibility to work documentation, accommodation, schools, healthcare, life in Liverpool and the UK as well as other practical information. Discover more [here](#)

### **Our Staff**

Whether it be their friendly colleagues, supportive managers or our outstanding facilities, our staff can explain better than anyone what it is like to work for us and why they enjoy their role. See what they have to say [here](#).



## How to Apply



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### Contacting us

Shortlisting and interview arrangements are the responsibility of the recruiting department.

Please contact [jpahr@liverpool.ac.uk](mailto:jpahr@liverpool.ac.uk)

### Application process

Our e-recruitment system enables you to register for an online account, where you can view, copy and edit your applications. Set up your account [here](#).

Once you submit your application you will receive an automatic email acknowledgment. You can view your application at any time by clicking into the application history section of your account.

### Job description

After the closing date this job description will be removed from our website. Should you wish to refer to this information at a later date please ensure you save a copy of this document.

### Right to work

We have a legal responsibility to ensure that you have the right to work in the UK before you can start working for us. If you do not have the right to work in the UK already, any offer of employment we make to you will be conditional upon you gaining it. The UKVI have an interactive tool allowing you to immediately see if vacancies are eligible for a Skilled Worker visa. You will need to know the SOC code for the role, our most used SOC codes can be found [here](#), if none of these apply to this role, there are more codes on the eligibility checker. The skilled worker eligibility checker can be found on [GOV.UK](#).



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### Disabilities and alternative formats

If you have any other requirements which will help you access the application or interview process or employment opportunities at the University, or if you require copies documentation in alternative formats, please email: [jobs@liverpool.ac.uk](mailto:jobs@liverpool.ac.uk) or telephone 0151 794 6771.

### Outcome of your application

The recruiting department will endeavour to respond to each application. However, if you have not heard within six weeks of the closing date, please take it that your application has not been successful on this occasion.

