



Research assistant (Public Health)

Employer

Vaughan Arthur Lewis Institute for Research and Innovation (VALIRI)

VALIRI is a multi-disciplinary research institute established in 2016 by the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College (SALCC) (Saint Lucia, W.I.). In collaboration with civil society organisations, VALIRI aims to create new knowledge and innovation for the sustainable, economic, and social development of Saint Lucia.

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Project description

CaSIDEC study

The Vaughan Arthur Lewis Institute for Research and Innovation (VALIRI) in collaboration with Faces of Cancer Saint Lucia, is doing research on how cancer care overseas impacts the outcomes of patients in the small island developing states of the Eastern Caribbean.

The CaSIDEC is multi-centre study in six Caribbean islands (Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, Saint Kitts, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent), and aims to investigate the impact cancer care overseas on the the outcomes of patients in the small island developing states of the Eastern Caribbean. To achieve this goal, we will document the experiences of cancer survivors in the six islands member states of the OECS.

Post description

We are looking for a highly motivated individual to lead the daily logistics and operations for the CaSIDEC study. The research assistant will liaise closely with the investigation team and monitor closely the progress of the study. They will be expected to provide regular reports and attend meetings when necessary. The research assistant will also spearhead the the community outreach and stakeholder engagement. This activity will include the production of communication materials for the study and updating stakeholders via email.

The research assistant is expected to begin in the first trimester of 2024.

Desired profile

- Bachelors degree in a relevant field (e.g. Public Health) or equivalent
- Proficient in Microsoft office software package
- Familiar with databases and data capture tools (RedCAP, Epi-Info or MS Access)
- Proficient in Graphic designing tools
- Ease for conversation and interacting with people
- Rigour and great level of organisation in their work
- Interest in public health or epidemiological research
- Able to work independently
- Working knowledge of descriptive and inferential statistics
- Good command of the English language (written and spoken); B2 level recommended

Activities and responsibilities

- Ensure the smooth operation of the study protocol and implementation plan
- Communicate regularly on study progress with our stakeholders and participants
- Procurement of materials and equipment for the study
- Monitor closely and document the progress of the study and recruitment process
- Assist in the coordination of a network of collaborators and temporary workgroups/taskforces.
- Organise meetings with field investigator(s) and/or the entire team if necessary to solve minor issues
- In charge of assembling progressively all information collected from field investigators /interviewer(s) (consent forms, filled out questionnaires etc).
- Assist in the abstraction of clinical/medical records
- Archiving physical study documents
- If necessary will carry out interviews

Contract details

The working hours and organisation of mission and responsibilities will be determined during the interview with the candidate according to their skills and flexibility. The candidate is expected to reside physically in Saint Lucia and will be engaged full-time.

Contacts

Please contact Dr Aviane Augoste of further information regarding the project, and/or the missions and responsibilities of the post

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How to apply

Please send a CV and motivational letter to Dr Aviane Auguste. Applicants will be reviewed progressively until the position is filled. The candidate is expected to start in the first trimester of 2024.