

<u>Job Description</u>	
Title:	Research Nurse Dublin – Full time / Part-time Contract
Reporting to:	Executive Team encompassing General Manager, Medical Director and Research and Development Director
Reporting Responsibilities:	None
Location:	St. Michael’s Hospital Dun Laoghaire, and on occasion (project determined) St. Vincent’s Hospital and University College Dublin.
Purpose:	The Research Nurse will support innovative research work based in St. Michael’s Hospital, and on occasion in St. Vincent’s University Hospital and, or, UCD.
Key Tasks:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To work to HBT standard operating procedures for clinical trials and academic research. ● To play an active role in driving ongoing clinical research projects. ● To actively participate in the implementation of clinical investigations and trials. ● To assist in ensuring the overall smooth running of the HBT as per best practice. ● To arrange study specific research meetings if necessary, including staff notification, completion and writing of minutes where applicable. ● To ensure patient confidentiality and dignity is assured and maintained at all times during a clinical trial/research project in line with GDPR guidelines. ● To take responsibility for maintenance and upkeep of all HBT clinical research documentation, including: site files, case record forms, monitoring arrangements, data correction and data collection. ● To complete (with the help of the sponsor company if necessary) all ethical and regulatory procedures (submissions, query resolution etc.) for the clinical trial studies you are assigned.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To review proposed research protocols and provide input to site study feasibility reports (e.g. annual site patient numbers, equipment / test availability etc.) ● To attend investigator meetings as appropriate relative to studies assigned to you. ● To ensure prompt management of all study related correspondence. ● To prepare your studies for Internal / Sponsor / Health Products Regulatory Authority audits as required. ● To ensure that patients are fully informed of all details pertaining to the clinical trial/research project prior to their recruitment. ● To screen, recruit and consent suitable study candidates. ● To ensure that all studies undertaken by the HBT or heart failure unit from the time of appointment are completed to the highest standards in accordance with ICH-GCP, HPRA/EU Directive requirements. ● To carry out other duties as appropriate to the post as may be assigned from time to time by the Management of the HBT. ● To maintain the upkeep of the clinic and procedure rooms along with stocktaking and ordering of required materials. <p>Clinical Practice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide specialist knowledge, expertise and care to patients participating in a clinical trial. ● Ensure patients have an understanding of their disease and the proposed research and standard treatment options. ● Work with a Multidisciplinary Team in evaluating and treating clinical problems, as they arise in the research settings. ● Co-ordinate patient investigational therapy and follow up, as appropriate to specific clinical research programmes.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To be competent and actively participate in phlebotomy / laboratory procedures for clinical investigations and trials. ● Adhere to nursing policies and procedures within the HBT and St Vincent's University Hospital Group. ● Ensure continuity of patient care by liaising with outside health care professionals, and those who are involved in clinical work. ● Use agreed protocols to deal with referrals and enquiries from other hospitals and within St Vincent's University Hospital and St Michael's Hospital. ● Promote a safe clinical environment for patients, visitors and staff to the HBT / SMH with due regard to Health and Safety and Risk Management issues. ● When needed, to assist in the STOP HF screening service. <p>Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use relevant educational opportunities to maintain the highest standards of care to patients involved in clinical trials and academic research projects. ● Develop and facilitate educational and support programmes for members of the Multidisciplinary Team. ● Assist in training members of the Multidisciplinary Team in changes of practice in the delivery care. <p>Personnel development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Maintain Professional Registration ● Undertake further education as appropriate to keep updated with changes within the field of Clinical Research. ● Take responsibility for own professional development and updating ● Attend and participate in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In service and staff education - Staff Conferences - Appropriate outside conferences
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	<p>Quality Assurance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Help maintain the system for recording clinical activity. ● Demonstrate commitment to evidence based practice. ● Maintain clinical and administrative records and reporting arrangements.
<p>Qualifications / Experience:</p>	<p><u>Essential:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RGN with a minimum of 2 years post registration experience. ● Must be registered with An Bord Altranais. ● Have a minimum of 2 years post registration experience. ● Experience working as part of multi-disciplinary team in a clinical environment. ● Have excellent interpersonal and organisational skills. ● Phlebotomy Certification. ● Evidence of ongoing professional development. ● Flexibility in working hours. ● ICT literate with database management skills. ● Ability to work independently or as part of a team. ● Excellent verbal and written communication skills. ● Able to use initiative. ● Must have the ability to work in a complementary role to medical colleagues & other members of the multidisciplinary team. ● Able to prioritise and deliver agreed objectives. <p>*Please note that Garda vetting and international police clearance check will form part of the selection process.</p> <p><u>Desirable:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Have a post graduate clinical research course or similar. ● Prior experience in clinical trials. ● Thorough knowledge of ICH GCP and relevant regulations for the conduct of clinical trials, preferably with a current GCP certificate. ● Experience in Cardiology therapeutic area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Experience in audit & quality improvement projects. ● Training in biological specimen handling and shipment.
Personal Requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent communication skills <input type="checkbox"/> Proven administrative skills <input type="checkbox"/> Detail oriented <input type="checkbox"/> Ability to multi-task <input type="checkbox"/> Self-motivated and driven <input type="checkbox"/> Interested in learning <input type="checkbox"/> Team player
Training:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Business overview as part of induction <input type="checkbox"/> GCP Training <input type="checkbox"/> Database Training. <input type="checkbox"/> High level of technical training related to clinical trials. <input type="checkbox"/> Other training where relevant
Why come work with The Heartbeat Trust?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Role is Monday to Friday – office hours ● No late nights ● No weekends ● Will offer Flexible hours / part-time ● Opportunities for career progression ● Educational Support Programme ● Opportunities to partake in cutting-edge scientific HF research ● Tax-saver commuter tickets ● Cycle-to-work scheme ● Opportunities to attend conferences and seminars
Salary Scale:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Commensurate with experience