INSTITUTE FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH AT THE DURHAM VA MEDICAL CENTER

CLINICAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE (CRA) 1

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Overview: The Clinical Research Associate (CRA) 1 is involved with the implementation and execution of several clinical research projects including acquisition and maintenance of large amounts of clinical data from medical records, and questionnaires; specimen collection; and the recruitment and enrollment of research study participants. These multiple functions require a significant degree of flexibility and independence to complete complex tasks. The work engages multiple skills and a wide-range of project knowledge.

This position is ideal for a highly-motivated individual who may be taking time off between degrees, preferably for two years, and is interested in gaining experience in clinical research. In this position, you will have the opportunity to work with a highly productive and dynamic team of MDs, PhDs, basic and clinical research scientists, and biostatisticians. The CRA will gain considerable knowledge of clinical research methods and urology, specifically knowledge related to interstitial cystitis and prostate cancer. CRAs may have some opportunity to shadow in clinic and in the OR. Seminars and other learning opportunities including manuscript writing in the second year are also available.

RESPONSIBILITIES include but are not limited to the following:

- Review electronic & paper medical records for medical data and enter into electronic database
- Assist in the collection and management of clinical data and source documents for support of analytical and/or research projects related to interstitial cystitis and prostate cancer
- Work in compliance with study protocols and SOPs
- Recruit and consent study participants over the phone for research projects
- Execute the logistical aspects of research projects
- Trouble-shoot and modify protocol implementation when necessary
- Assist in the collection, processing and shipment of specimens
- Maintain study databases and other study-related spreadsheets and documents
- Participate in team and other project-related meetings
- Work effectively with Veteran populations
- Maintain patient confidentiality
- Work effectively as part of a team
- Adhere to safety and compliance regulations

Qualifications/Experience: Applicants must have a Bachelor’s degree in a relevant field. They must be detail oriented, organized, flexible and reliable with good communication skills. Basic computer skills are required, with experience using MS Access and MS Excel preferred. Demonstrated leadership, professional initiative and teamwork abilities are required. Prior experience with clinical research, lab work, FDA regulations, HIPAA considerations and consenting process is preferred. Applicants must deal diplomatically and professionally with administration, faculty, clinical and lab personnel, and subjects.

To Apply: Please go to https://freedlandlab.recruitee.com/ and select “Apply for this Job” under the clinical research associate 1 description.

Employees work for the Institute for Medical Research and will have a WOC appointment at the Durham VA Medical Center. Please visit www.imr.org for information about employee benefits. Multiple job vacancies
are available. Expected start date is flexible but expected in June. We do not sponsor applicants for work visas. We are an equal-opportunity employer.