



Job Description

Title: HSE Covid era Post CSCST Fellowship

The Organisation: Designated General Practice and Department of General Practice, RCSI, Dublin

Reporting to: Dr Emma Wallace, GP & Senior Clinical Lecturer Department of General Practice, RCSI

About the Department:

The Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) is a private, self-financing, not-for-profit medical and surgical college headquartered in Dublin (Ireland) with global reach through its overseas medical universities and health care centres in the Middle East, the Far East and Africa. Since its foundation in 1784, it has played a leadership role in Irish surgical and medical education. Currently, it operates the largest Medical School in Ireland and provides undergraduate education in Physiotherapy, Pharmacy, and Nursing. In addition to Surgery, it also provides postgraduate training and education in Radiology, Dentistry, Nursing & Midwifery, Sports and Exercise Medicine, Healthcare Management and Leadership, and has an Institute of Research.

HSE Covid era Post CSCST GP Fellowship in Medicines Optimisation

People are living for longer with multiple chronic health conditions requiring the prescription of multiple medications (polypharmacy). As the number of medicines increase, so too do the risks associated. This post will support the GP fellow to develop a special interest in the area of medicines optimisation for patients with multimorbidity, which is an identified key area of need in the Irish health service.

Job title: HSE GP Fellow in Medicines Optimisation

Start date: July 2021 (full-time 1 year post)

Salary: HSE SpR scale commensurate with experience

Core duties and responsibilities:

This one year post will be split 50/50 FTE between clinical practice and academic activities. The successful applicant will work 2.5 days per week in clinical practice in a designated general practice in Dublin and 2.5 days in the Department of General Practice, RCSI, Dublin.

The fellow will be supervised by Dr Emma Wallace GP and Senior Clinical Lecturer in the Department of General Practice, RCSI.

In the area of '*Supporting GP prescribing for patients with multimorbidity*' the successful applicant will;

- Gain clinical experience in managing multimorbidity and medicines optimisation
- Complete core educational modules in the areas of medicines optimisation and research methods
- Support the delivery of undergraduate educational workshops on complex prescribing
- Synthesise evidence pertaining to optimising prescribing in general practice
- Write an evidence-based update in collaboration with the National Medicines Information Centre
- Develop an online educational module for GPs regarding medicines optimisation
- Conduct a medication review clinical audit in their assigned general practice and submit for publication
- Identify clinical audit materials relating to medication review for patients with multimorbidity
- Conduct primary research interviewing stakeholders regarding their experiences of managing polypharmacy and support thematic analysis
- Work with collaborators institutionally, nationally and internationally

Qualifications & competencies

Essential:

- MICGP
- Will be within 3 years of CSCST on 1st July 2021
- On the General Practice Specialist Division of the Irish Medical Council
- Excellent interpersonal, communication and presentation skills
- Attention to detail, thoroughness in work practices and an ability to work to deadlines

Desirable:

- Postgraduate qualification in a relevant area (e.g. Elderly care, Medical Education)
- Research and/or audit experience
- Peer reviewed publications

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