Supervisor: Dr Kate Radford

Themes: Long Term Conditions, Cancer, Vocational Rehabilitation

Keywords: Cancer, work, randomised controlled trials, vocational rehabilitation
Applications invited all year round
Self funded students only

Project title: Supporting Job retention in people diagnosed with cancer.

There is currently a research programme on supporting people who develop long term health conditions including stroke and traumatic brain injury to return to or remain in work. This type of support is known as vocational rehabilitation (VR). The VR process develops a match between the abilities of the person and the demands of the job, finding ways to compensate for impairment and disability. Supporting people who develop long term health conditions to return to and remain in work is a UK Government priority and a recognised outcome of health interventions. However, there is very little research which assesses the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of VR interventions.

This programme is led by Dr Kate Radford, Associate Professor in Rehabilitation research (Long Term Conditions), Division of Rehabilitation and Ageing, School of Medicine working in partnership with researchers at UCL and Brunel University and local clinical teams.

People with cancer are more likely to be unemployed than those without. This project will determine the feasibility of delivering and measuring the clinical and cost effectiveness of a cancer-specific VR intervention in the context of routine clinical practice.

The successful student will be supervised by Dr Radford.

Students should have a first or 2.1 UK honours degree (or equivalent) in a health care related subject. They should be able to conduct research with a significant clinical element and in the process of carrying out the research, be able to work with clinical team members as appropriate. Standard vetting procedures, including CRB check, will be required.

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