

# Are you interested in developing your research skills?



Dear RPG Members,

We would like to ask you to consider applying for the opportunity to undertake a renal focused workforce planning research project.

The RPG have up to £5000 to help support the project. This includes fees for an MSc qualification (Keele University) based upon the project and dissemination fees.

The proposed project will build upon Dr Ruth Bednall's doctoral thesis '*The validation of the Royal Stoke Pharmacy Workforce Calculator – a mixed methods study*' ([link](#)).

The project would look to validate the workforce calculator for hospital inpatient renal services within the NHS. The outcomes of this project are extremely important to us all working in renal. Understanding the staffing requirements and delivery of services is fundamental to high quality patient care. Your research outputs could help all renal units determine what is required for their service.

You will be supported by your University supervisor, the RPG Research & Development team and Dr Ruth Bednall in the completion of the project.

The closing date for applications is **18<sup>th</sup> December 2020, 23.59.**

Click here to download an application form. Please send your completed form to [alan.green@sunderland.ac.uk](mailto:alan.green@sunderland.ac.uk)

The successful applicant will be announced **January 2021.**

If you are undertaking the project as part of an MSc qualification at Keele University this will start in February 2021. Please see Keele University entry requirements here ([link](#)). We are looking for a pharmacist who already holds a diploma in clinical pharmacy (120 credits) that wishes to extend this award to an MSc qualification (180 credits).

If you have any questions regarding the project or application process please email both [alan.green@sunderland.ac.uk](mailto:alan.green@sunderland.ac.uk) and [ruth.bednall@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:ruth.bednall@uhnm.nhs.uk)

