



## **SCOTTISH PHARMACIST CLINICAL ACADEMIC FELLOWS (2021 – 2023)**

**DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR  
SENIOR / EXPERIENCED PHARMACISTS WORKING IN NHS SCOTLAND**

**RESEARCH POSTS**

**6 posts – 0.4 WTE each (flexible)**

**Secondment opportunity for 24 months - paid at current salary level  
(8a, 8b, 8c or equivalent in the community pharmacy sector, pro rata)**

**Location – workplace for these posts will be flexible and where possible, some time spent in NHS Boards, Schools of Pharmacy, NES and within other relevant organisations across Scotland.**

Do you like a challenge and have the curiosity and ambition to work at the leading edge of Scottish pharmacy development?

Building on the success of other fellowship programmes, the Clinical Academic Pharmacist Collaborative Board is offering a career development opportunity to senior / experienced pharmacists committed to working in, or providing services to, NHS Scotland to become the first Scottish Pharmacist Clinical Academic Fellows (SPCAFs).

This opportunity is designed to strengthen future pharmacy research. Clinical Academic Pharmacist fellowships in Scotland are designed to support the Pharmacy Postgraduate Career Framework review published in 2020. These posts will provide the opportunity to develop research skills applied to a defined clinical area through completion of a research project.

Each post is an excellent opportunity for senior or experienced pharmacists (currently working at Agenda for Change Band 8a, 8b or 8c in the managed sector or equivalent in community practice) to develop research skills and professional leadership in their clinical areas through the development of evidence-based practice, whilst maintaining links to their current service.

Working with senior academics in the Schools of Pharmacy and senior Pharmacy leaders, the SPCAFs will be contributing to taking forward the Scottish Government strategy, Achieving Excellence in Pharmaceutical Care.

Individuals that wish to apply to undertake these posts will be required to prepare a short proposal for a research project, aligned to their area of clinical practice, which would support development of pharmaceutical care practice research and contribute to the wider evidence base in the support of safe and effective medicines use.

Applicants should be highly motivated and working at a senior level in any sector of care within NHS Scotland, have a good understanding of NHS and professional structures and processes along with a sound grasp of the Scottish Policy context. Excellent communication skills, experience in service development / quality improvement, and evidence of leadership skills, for example in engaging, motivating and influencing others at senior levels are also essential.

Please note that as part of the application process you will be asked to submit a statement in support from your Director of Pharmacy (or equivalent) or senior line manager.

Further information can be obtained from

Prof. Marion Bennie, University of Strathclyde ([marion.bennie@strath.ac.uk](mailto:marion.bennie@strath.ac.uk))

OR

Prof. Scott Cunningham, Robert Gordon University ([s.cunningham@rgu.ac.uk](mailto:s.cunningham@rgu.ac.uk))

If you are interested in this opportunity and would like further information, please refer to the below Job Information Pack which includes the Job Summary and Person Specification.

Unless otherwise stated the deadline for applications is 23:59 hours on the closing date.

**Closing date for completed applications is:**

**~~Monday 22 Feb 2021~~**

**EXTENDED to 22 March 2021**

**Applications and supporting documents (clearly labelled) to be submitted to:**

**Fiona Aitcheson, School Administration Manager, RGU, Sch. Pharmacy & Life Sciences,**

**Email: [f.e.aitcheson@rgu.ac.uk](mailto:f.e.aitcheson@rgu.ac.uk)**

**Remote interviews will be held from w/c 19 April 2021 TBC (via Microsoft Teams).**