



University of Cape Town Lung Institute CENTRE FOR TB RESEARCH INNOVATION UNIT

RESEARCH SUPPORT WORKER

The **Centre for TB Research Innovation (CTBRI) Unit**, based at the University of Cape Town Lung Institute (www.lunginstitute.co.za), requires applications for **RESEARCH SUPPORT WORKERS*** in the Nyanga, Lower Crossroads, Klipfontein and Eastridge sub-districts, who will be responsible for screening and recruiting new trial participants during the trial.

The Lung Institute is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the University of Cape Town and is recognised internationally as a leader in the study of treatments for tuberculosis and airways diseases, having performed more than 150 research projects. Since 2008 CTBRI has conducted research into tuberculosis with focus areas of TB drug development, HIV/TB interaction, effects of smoking in TB and HIV, and understanding adherence to medication in drug-resistant TB.

Minimum Requirements:

- Matric (Grade 12) advantageous
- Experience in a clinic environment
- Sound knowledge of recruiting area (Nyanga, Lower Crossroads, Klipfontein and Eastridge)
- Knowledge of medical terminology (especially TB and HIV)
- Valid GCP (Good Clinical Practice) Certificate (advantageous)
- Excellent communication (English and Xhosa) and interpersonal skills
- Computer Literacy (advantageous)
- Proactive and able to work in a fast-paced environment
- High degree of integrity and trustworthiness

Responsibilities include (but not limited to):

- Screening of TB suspects
- Recruitment and consenting of study participants
- Directly Observed Therapy (DOTS)
- Maintain accurate records of patient screenings and recruitments
- Administrative duties related to clinic and research site responsibilities
- Retention and follow-up of study participants (to attend appointments)
- Do home visits to participants who default their appointments
- Keep management informed of participants and report any irregularities
- Provide education and support to participants during the screening process
- Educate participants on their medication, research, TB/HIV and adherence
- Do health talks and together with the clinic staff, plan and implement community outreaches

Additional Information:

- 6-month Fixed Term Contract
- This position will be based at one of the community clinics
- Working hours 35 hours per week, Monday to Friday

To apply, interested applicants are requested to [click here](#) to complete the online application process with a cover letter, updated CV and two to three contactable references

Hand delivered applications will be accepted at the Reception of the Lung Institute, George Street, Mowbray; or can be dropped off at one of the Clinics in the areas as mentioned above.

Closing Date: 19 September 2025

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Should you not receive a response within 30 days of the closing date, please consider your application unsuccessful.

The University of Cape Town Lung Institute is committed to equity in our employment practices and reserves the right not to appoint. The selection process will be guided by the Employment Equity Plan and Targets of the University of Cape Town Lung Institute (Pty) Ltd.

***Please Note: This Position is not on UCT Conditions of Service.**