

## POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE:	Research Nurse
DIVISION / SECTION:	Child Health Division
SUPERVISOR:	Project Manager – NICE-GUT
CLASSIFICATION LEVEL:	GSL 7
SALARY RANGE:	\$49.08 - \$53.68 per hour
STATUS (FTE):	Casual
NO. OF POSITIONS REPORTING DIRECTLY:	0
NO. OF POSITIONS REPORTING INDIRECTLY:	0

### SUMMARY OF POSITION:

The NICE-GUT trial is a randomised, placebo-controlled trial of oral nitazoxanide for the empiric treatment of acute gastroenteritis among Australian Indigenous children, and is funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council. The primary aim of the trial is to determine whether empiric treatment with oral nitazoxanide, compared to placebo, reduces the time period of significant illness in Australian Indigenous children hospitalised for acute gastroenteritis.

The role of the Research Nurse is to ensure that the trial meets standards of Good Clinical Practice, including informed consent, participant eligibility assessments and adverse event monitoring. The research nurse will be responsible for participant recruitment, clinical data and specimen collection, and follow up visits according to study protocol and Menzies Standard operating procedures. This position is based in Alice Springs and involves working on weekends and public holidays.

### PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Under the supervision of the Project Manager, your role will be to:

1. Undertake procedures relevant to the research including: participant recruitment, informed consent process, retention and follow-up; clinical assessments of eligibility; review medical records; completion of questionnaires; collection of specimens for analysis and transport to laboratories as needed; administration of medication and monitoring of adverse events; and ongoing participant examinations and assessments as required.
2. Ensure accurate details of clinical history and examination, observation, management plan, investigations and action taken are recorded for study participants and noted in the medical records where appropriate.
3. Ensure the research is conducted in accordance with Good Clinical Practice Guidelines (GCP).
4. Collect all Trial and Adverse Event monitoring data and ensure that it is stored and transmitted appropriately in accordance with ethical, cultural and confidentiality requirements.
5. Any other tasks as reasonably required by the supervisor, manager and/or Director.

## SELECTION CRITERIA:

### Essential:

1. Tertiary nursing qualification and the ability to obtain registration with the relevant Board of the NT Health Professions Licensing Authority.
2. Highly developed ability of oral, interpersonal and written communication skills to communicate effectively in a cross cultural context to a range of audiences including a multidisciplinary team.
3. Demonstrated ability to work independently without direct supervision or within a multidisciplinary team.
4. Demonstrated highly developed organisational and time management skills, punctuality and strong record keeping abilities to undertake a range of administrative, reporting and liaison research activities.
5. Experience with basic computer software applications.
6. Willingness and ability to work on weekends and public holidays.
7. Willingness and ability to undertake training in skills required to perform study visits.
8. The ability to maintain a current Australian driver's license and Working with Children Clearance (Ochre Card).
9. An understanding and awareness of relevant Workplace Health and Safety as well as Equal Opportunity principles and legislation along with a commitment to maintaining a healthy and safe workplace for all Menzies staff, students, volunteers and visitors.

### Desirable:

1. Experience working with and knowledge of health issues affecting Indigenous Australians.
2. Research experience and/or relevant work experience involving evidence based medicine and clinical trials.

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### Approval:

Irene O'Meara  
Project Manager

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Professor Anne Chang  
Division Leader of Child Health

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