Expressions of interest

Postdoctoral Research Fellows and PhD Fellows

Moving Ahead: NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence (CRE) in Brain Recovery

We are seeking expressions of interest in 3 PhD fellowships and 5 postdoctoral research fellow positions (1 full-time, 4 part-time) to join our NHMRC funded research program “Moving Ahead” from March 2012. This new 5 year CRE is designed to meet the psychosocial rehabilitation needs of children and adults with traumatic brain injury (TBI) and their families.

The CRE brings together a large team of researchers located across NSW (Prof Skye McDonald, University of NSW; Prof Robyn Tate & Prof Leanne Togher, University of Sydney), Victoria (Prof Vicki Anderson & Dr. Angela Morgan, Murdoch Childrens Research Institute; Prof Jennie Ponsford, Monash University & A/Prof Jacinta Douglas, Latrobe University) and Queensland (A/Prof Jenny Fleming & Professor Bruce Murdoch, University of Queensland; Dr. Tamara Ownsworth, Griffith University) in collaboration with leading health care facilities involved in TBI rehabilitation.

“Moving Ahead” will focus on improving outcomes for those with TBI by tackling deficits in fatigue, mood, self-awareness and self-regulation, as well as social competency (involving speech, social skills and communication). Successful applicants will be supported to develop a research project or program aligned with the goals of the CRE.

The PhD scholarships include 3 positions at LaTrobe University, UNSW and Griffith University and post-doctoral fellowship positions at UNSW (F/T), MCRI, UQ (2 positions) and the University of Sydney (all P/T).

Remuneration: A salary package will be offered consistent with the level of appointment required at the host university. Appointments will be fixed at 3 years.

Expressions of interest: Applications are invited from researchers with a clinical background in any discipline relevant to TBI rehabilitation, e.g. psychology, speech pathology, occupational therapy. Applicants should include a CV (with details of research experience, publications and academic record) and a 3 page research plan outlining how their work and fellowship would contribute to the “Moving Ahead” CRE. Applicants are encouraged to contact relevant investigators at the site of choice to work together in developing their 3 page plan. Applications should be submitted to Professor Skye McDonald, School of Psychology, UNSW, 2052, AUSTRALIA or via e-mail s.mcdonald@unsw.edu.au.

Contact: To obtain further information about these positions contact: Professor McDonald or Melissa Swift, melissakswift@gmail.com, who may direct you to CRE investigators where appropriate.

Closing date: 17th February 2012