

# **PROJECT DETAILS**

## **Project Title:**

# Optimising Paediatric Research through Improved Child-Centred Study Design and Reporting

# **Project Summary:**

The child-centred research checklist project aims to enhance the use of child-centred research methods by providing a framework to ensure studies with children are designed respectfully with children's perspectives in mind, ultimately improving research quality and transparency.

The first phase of this checklist project was recently completed - an internationally designed child-centred research checklist draft has been produced by the supervision team following an extensive Delphi process with paediatric researchers around the world.

This PhD study will focus on the second phase of the checklist project, which will involve seeking and incorporating feedback from children, families, and other stakeholders including ethics committee chairs and journal editors. The impact of the checklist is significant with publishing houses and ethics committees keen to incorporate the checklist as standard practice for reporting and researchers seeking guidance on how best to plan and conduct research with children.

# Preferred Applicant Skillset:

We are seeking a candidate with an understanding and possibly experience of the research process, excellent time management skills and evidence of critical thinking.

Candidates with nursing, midwifery, health or social science experience would be suitable, ideally also with an interest in working with children and families.

This project will provide the student with a truly international experience and support to collect data in four locations across three countries.

## Internship Opportunity:

Yes, an internship with an industry provider is a possible and viable option.

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