



University of Cape Town Lung Institute VUKALI

RESEARCH NURSE

The **VUKA Unit**, based at the University of Cape Town Lung Institute (www.lunginstitute.co.za), invites applications for a **RESEARCH NURSE*** on a **Fixed Term Contract**.

The VUKA Research Clinic is a leading clinical research facility dedicated to advancing health through innovative scientific research and high-quality clinical care. The clinic conducts cutting-edge research studies focused on infectious diseases, including tuberculosis, HIV, and other priority public health conditions, while supporting the development of improved diagnostics, treatments, and prevention strategies.

With a strong commitment to excellence in research, patient-centred care, and community engagement, the clinic works closely with local and international collaborators to translate research findings into meaningful health outcomes.

Minimum Requirements:

- Degree / Diploma in General Nursing
- 2 years' general nursing experience (post comm serv)
- Clinical Assessment, Phlebotomy & Vaccination Experience
- Good Clinical Practice Certification (advantageous)
- Fluency in English and a second language (Afrikaans and / or isiXhosa)
- Excellent interpersonal, communication, organisational and time management skills

Advantageous:

- Good Clinical Practice (GCP) certification
- Previous research nursing experience
- Valid driver's licence
- Ability to communicate in isiXhosa

Responsibilities include (but not limited to):

- Conduct informed consent processes and ensure participants are fully informed before enrolment in clinical trials.
- Provide pregnancy and contraception assessments and counselling, HIV pre- and post-test counselling, adherence counselling and HIV risk-reduction guidance.
- Perform clinical procedures including vital signs assessments, symptom reviews, specimen collection (urine, blood, vaginal swabs) and administration of study drugs or vaccinations with appropriate monitoring.
- Document clinical and research data in accordance with Good Clinical Practice (GCP) requirements and assist with data entry and query resolution.
- Perform quality control checks on participant files and study documentation in line with site Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).
- Perform point-of-care testing including pregnancy, urinalysis, HIV, haemoglobin and glucose testing.
- Collaborate with laboratory staff to process and store samples in accordance with study protocol requirements.
- Support study and site administration including stock control of consumables and laboratory kits, infection control procedures, and biohazard waste management.
- Maintain clinic readiness by ensuring consultation rooms are appropriately stocked and emergency equipment is checked according to SOP requirements.
- Assist with clinic bookings, participant scheduling and maintaining efficient participant flow.
- Attend required meetings and training sessions and maintain access to electronic study management systems.
- Communicate effectively with study team members, sponsors and collaborators using various communication platforms.

Additional Information:

- 12-month Fixed Term Contract
- Working hours: 40 hours per week, Monday to Friday
- Position based in Khayelitsha

To apply, interested applicants are requested to [click here](#) to complete the online application process with a **cover letter and updated CV, including 2 to 3 contactable references**

Closing Date: 13 March 2026.

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

EMPLOYMENT EQUITY STATEMENT

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.

POPIA STATEMENT

Please note that when applying for any position, reference checks will be completed, and personal information defined in the protection of personal information Act 4 of 2013 will be processed. In applying for this position, applicants will be deemed to have consented to such processing as defined in the policy statement.

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