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National Research Lead and Mentor

Malaysia Ireland Training in Family Medicine (MInTFM) trainees spend year 3 and 4 of their 4-year training pathway in a Klinik Kesihatan, with two different trainers. During third year they attend a research week and start to design a group audit or research project. They complete this in their fourth year and submit it for internal assessment. They may need to apply to Malaysian Research Ethics Committee (MREC) and/or National Medical Research Register (NMRR) and will need assistance with this.

Each trainee has an educational supervisor who is part of the scheme directing team. Each scheme also has an assistant scheme director who is a scheme research lead. This role would involve liaising with the trainees and the educational supervisors. The National research lead and mentor will lead the delivery of the research week one in Central and one in Northern (8 days in total).

There will be approx. 25 groups per year and two years involved in research per year. The national research lead will need a day a week to be able to fulfil their role.

Key responsibilities

- Guide and support Scheme Directing Team, especially scheme research leads on research matters
- Training at start of third year on concepts and reality of research
- Assessment of preliminary and final drafts •
- Mentoring and guidance throughout especially on methodology and format
- Liaison with appropriate MOH government agencies
- Teaching trainees as needed on research related topics •
- Preparing trainees for presentation of research

Essential qualifications:

- Ideally the appointee will have a PhD in research and/or at a
- Minimum, masters in research and evidence of ongoing involvement in research
- Working as an FMS, or if not has exposure to primary care in Malaysia
- Evidence of publication in peer reviewed journals
- Experience guiding/mentoring or training

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

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