



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## POSITION DESCRIPTION

**POSITION NUMBER:** 00054849

**RANK:** Research Associate

**FACULTY:** Faculty of Medicine

**DEPARTMENT:** Respiratory Medicine Division

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The Legacy for Airway Health (LAH) is an exciting new initiative focussed on accelerating the generation and translation of knowledge to inform improvements in care of populations at risk for and living with asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Based at the Vancouver General Hospital, but with broad partnerships, LAH leverages already well established and globally respected clinical research and care programs at the Vancouver General Hospital (VGH), its affiliated hospitals, and the University of British Columbia (UBC). Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, the Vancouver Coastal Health Research Institute (VCHRI), VGH&UBC Hospital Foundation, and the VGH and UBC Divisions of Respiratory Medicine are key partners of LAH and provide overall leadership.

We are seeking a Research Associate (RA) to join our expanding team for research. The RA will contribute critically to LAH's ambitious and innovative translational research and implementation agenda that will transform complex data into meaningful and personalized approaches to truly change the course of asthma and COPD in our community and beyond. This is a 1-year position with the possibility for renewal. Start date is expected to be August 1, 2020. The position will report to the Scientific Director and will be based at the VGH campus of UBC.

The RA will undertake and support research activities related to the LAH objectives on the care and quality of life of people living with asthma and COPD. The individual will work largely independently but within a team comprised of patients, researchers, a knowledge translation specialist and other partners.

Responsibilities will include, but will not be limited to:

- Performing environmental scans and developing maps of assets (resources) for the care of asthma and COPD locally and provincially.
- Being current on emerging interventions and models of care for asthma and COPD.
- Performing literature and systematic reviews relevant to above-noted goals.
- Facilitating the development of scope and strategies for research registries.
- Developing reports and manuscripts for publication.
- Preparing and delivering presentations for research meetings.
- Liaising between LAH and external researchers and staff.
- Coordinating and developing grant applications.
- Preparing background documents for stakeholder meetings.
- Participating in stakeholder engagement meetings.
- Coordinating research activities and chairing and co-chairing research team meetings.
- Providing other support as required to LAH researchers and team.

Requirements:

1. Ph.D. in a health-related field
2. Experience in clinical research, health care registries and/or data analytics
3. At least 2 years of post-doctoral research experience and commensurate publication
4. Passion for impact-focused research
5. Excellent organizational skills and attention to detail
6. Excellent oral and written communication skills
7. Ability to prepare reports and presentations for diverse audiences

8. Experience with manuscript writing
9. Experience in developing grant applications
10. Excellent interpersonal skills
11. Ability to work independently and in a team setting
12. Excellent problem-solving skills
13. Strong work ethic, high degree of initiative and self-motivation
14. Thrives in dynamic, high pressure environments
15. Ability to manage and prioritize multiple projects/tasks simultaneously
16. Ability to work effectively with diverse stakeholders

Please forward your application that includes a cover letter and a CV to [phalgun.joshi@VCH.ca](mailto:phalgun.joshi@VCH.ca)

Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.