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## Qualitative research assistant

### REFIT-BCN

The Research Group on Aging, Frailty and Care Transitions in Barcelona (REFIT-BCN) offers a technical position for a Qualitative Research technician

#### Research topic:

Personalizing the approach to the Frail Oncology patient through individualized Evaluation and Intervention (PROFIT Project).

#### Project summary:

Older people with cancer urgently require personalized treatments. The reasons include the rapid increase in cancer and its consequences in an aging population and the difficult decision-making in older patients, for the following reasons:

- The diversity that characterizes them (multiple diseases, other problems and needs).
- The exclusion of the elderly from many cancer studies.

Frailty represents a state of vulnerability related to the addition of illnesses or difficulties in daily activities, which can also be detected by measuring whether people walk slower or have less strength or balance. Two people of the same age can have very different degrees of fragility or be more or less robust or vulnerable to diseases or treatments. Therefore, measuring frailty could be useful when considering a new treatment: in more fragile people, the damage could outweigh the benefits when applying certain invasive or demanding treatments; On the other hand, in less fragile people, but who could benefit from cancer treatments, individualized programs, with adapted physical exercise and a healthy diet, could help maintain good physical condition and reduce complications.



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## JOB DESCRIPTION

### Education and qualifications:

#### Required:

- Bachelor's Degree, with outstanding academic qualifications, in social sciences or humanities.
- Fluency in Catalan, Spanish, English (business level).

#### Desired:

- Master's Degree, with outstanding academic qualification, in social sciences or humanities.

### Experience and knowledge:

#### Required:

- Experience on promoting processes of co-creation, development, implantation of innovation aimed at promoting healthy aging.
- Experience in leading participative processes and dynamics with end users and other agents concerned, as well as the facilitation of communities of practices.
- Proficiency in both communicating clearly and active listening, during qualitative procedures.

#### Desired:

- Qualitative assessment and interpretation of results.
- Preparation of scientific manuscripts and dissemination activities for the general public.



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### Main responsibilities and duties:

- Qualitative Assessment of the Vivifrail APP for the PROFIT Project.
- Lead processes of co-creation and co-design of innovation regarding healthy aging.
- Leading dynamics with end users, to create toolkits and communities of practices.
- Writing scientific manuscripts and dissemination activities.
- Organizing follow up meetings.

### Labour conditions:

- Full time: 40h/week.
- Starting date: immediately
- Gross annual salary: 25.700,00€. Salary ranges are consistent with our Collective Agreement pay scale.
- Contract: Technical and scientific activities contract linked to the project activities

### What can we offer?

- Incorporation to Vall d'Hebron Research Institute (VHIR), a public sector institution that promotes and develops the biomedical research, innovation and teaching at Vall d'Hebron University Hospital (HUVH), the biggest hospital of Barcelona and the largest of Catalan Institute of Health (ICS).
- **Incorporation in REFIT-BCN, a multidisciplinary research group investigating aging, frailty and related conditions, integrated care systems and programs/interventions for healthy aging**
- A scientific environment of excellence, highly dynamic, where high-end biomedical projects are continuously developed.
- Continuous learning and a wide range of responsibilities within a stimulating work environment.



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- Flexible working hours.
- 23 days of holidays + 9 personal days.
- Flexible Remuneration Program (including dining checks, health insurance, transportation and more).
- Corporate Benefits: platform through which you can obtain significant discounts on travel, culture, technology, gastronomy, sports... among many others.
- Healthy Offering: choose from a variety of wellbeing focused activities to be the healthiest you.

### How to apply:

Applicants should submit a full Curriculum Vitae and a cover letter with the reference **“Qualitative research assistant-REFIT”** to the following email addresses: [mdelafuente@perevirgili.cat](mailto:mdelafuente@perevirgili.cat), and [seleccio@vhir.org](mailto:seleccio@vhir.org)

**Deadline to apply: 21/04/2024**

The Fundació Hospital Universitari Vall d'Hebron-Institut de Recerca - "VHIR"-, with NIF G-60594009, address in Barcelona -08035- Passeig Vall d'Hebron 119-129, Edifici Mediterrània, 2a planta and telephone (34) 934 89 30 00 is the data controller for the processing of your personal data. The data will be processed exclusively for the purpose of managing your participation in the selection process, as well as, if necessary, managing your participation in other selection processes.

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The legal basis of the processing is the execution of a contract to which the data subject is party or in order to take steps at the request of the data subject prior to entering into a contract.

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