

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST:

PhD opportunity - Reducing risky drinking in young people, through parental interventions

Overview

This student position will be appointed as a full time National Drug Research Institute PhD student. The student will be enrolled for a three year period working on research aimed at reducing risky drinking and alcohol related harm in young people, through parental interventions.

Support

The PhD position will be supported by the National Drug Research Institute (NDRI) in the form of administration, IT, computer (soft and hardware) and office space. The position will also be supported by the research environment of NDRI and the appointed student will be encouraged to join in with Institute staff development, meetings and other opportunities.

There is possibility of funding support from Curtin University in the form of a PhD scholarship of about \$29,000 per annum, however, this funding can only be applied for after the applicant has been enrolled. The PhD will be further supported by \$1400 per annum from Curtin University for project expenses.

Research Description

The focus of this PhD research is to conduct formative research using qualitative methodologies in the area of parental intervention to reduce risky youth alcohol use and associated harms.

Timeline

It is expected that the PhD candidate will have gained candidacy and ethics approval, and be ready to initiate research work by August 2015.

Application Criteria

Only those with first class Honours or Masters by Research should apply. The position also requires a range of necessary skills including: experience working with schools and/or with parent groups; experience in conducting focus groups and interviews; writing reports and other publications; excellent attention to detail; ability to manage multiple tasks; excellent written and verbal communication skills; and ability to work effectively and cooperatively in a team environment.

For full information on how to apply or any other queries, contact Susan Carruthers on s.carruthers@curtin.edu.au or 08 9266 1604.