

# **Role descriptor**

Role title:	Young Researcher
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Salary:	£12.63 per hour (Level 2a, spinal pt 13)
Work pattern (term time only):	1 hour on Wednesdays 5 - 6pm
	2 hours independent work per week
Work location:	LifeLab, University Hospital Southampton (transport provided if
	required from your home/school in Southampton)
Start date:	13 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
End date:	31 <sup>st</sup> July 2024
Review of role:	6 months

### Summary

The Young Researcher Training Programme (YRTP) was developed to provide an opportunity for young people to gain skills in research and to have an opportunity to conduct a research project investigating an area of importance to young people. The YRTP was co-created with young people during the 'Pathways to Health Project' and in partnership with LifeLab and the EACH-B research programme.

### What will it involve?

The YRTP group will consist of 12 young people aged 14-18 yrs who will be selected through application and interview. Young Researchers will attend a face-to-face training session once a week over twelve weeks (term time only), accompanied by two hours of independent work each week.

## What personal qualities and skills are needed?

- To be courteous and polite
- To be willing to engage in discussion and share ideas
- To have a positive attitude
- To be curious and enthusiastic about finding out more about a topic that interests you
- To have basic literacy and IT skills
- To have effective verbal communication and listening skills
- To be able to maintain confidentiality

#### **Requirements of the role:**

- Commitment to the role of Young Researcher and attendance at weekly training sessions inperson on Wednesdays from 5-6pm at LifeLab at University Hospital Southampton – transport will be provided to and from sessions if needed
- Commitment to actively participate in training sessions, individually and as part of the group, taking part in discussions and sharing views and experiences in a constructive way
- Commitment to complete the independent tasks set at each session, likely to take about two hours, before the next training session
- Commitment to your own learning and development, and to equality and diversity

**To apply for the role of Young Researcher**: Click <u>HERE</u> to complete an application form. Closing date is midday on Mon 12<sup>th</sup> February. You must have the permission of a parent or guardian before applying.