

University of Manchester Q-Step Summer Project 2018:

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Team/Department: Research Team

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Project title: Exploring innovation in different health and social care settings

Abstract:

Delivering a world class but sustainable health service is a critical public policy challenge. Utilising innovation to deliver more with less will be key to securing the sustainability of the NHS over the long run. But evidence regarding innovation in health is often confined to very specific examples rather than being viewed at a systems-wide level. We will help reshape the debate by comparing the performance across different health and social care settings. We will seek to identify those settings that are successfully doing more with less, exploring lessons that can be transferred to other less innovative areas.

Data sources: Centre for Health Economics' time-series of National Health Service (NHS) productivity growth; Hospital Episode Statistics; ONS Public Services Productivity; NHS Trusts Accounts Data; NHS Digital.

Key words: Health innovation; productivity; public services; health economics; public policy; sustainability of government finances.

Essential and desirable skills:

Essential skills: positive attitude; keen to work in a small but dynamic team and willingness to learn quickly; experience of undertaking a literature review; experience with quantitative data, including ability to analyse and manipulate data; MS Office proficiency (with advanced Excel skills); excellent oral and written English.

Desirable skills: knowledge of multivariate analysis; working knowledge of statistical package STATA or equivalent.

Where the work will be carried out: At the ILC-UK's London office for 8 weeks during the summer. Normal office hours.

Preferred selection method: Interview. While we're based in London we'd be happy to use Skype for interviewing.

Support and training offered by the organisation:

The student will be supported by members of the research team including the Assistant Director of Research and Policy throughout their placement who will be on hand to provide support and guidance throughout the project. Other members of the ILC will also be on hand to offer expertise on areas such as public relations, event management and communications should the student want to find out more about these functions within a think tank. The ILC has a long history of supporting internships and are keen to ensure that the student finds the placement fun and fulfilling.

ILC will hold an evaluation meeting with the student at the end of the placement and agree what references etc. will be given, as appropriate.

Supporting information:

The outputs from the analysis are likely to be published (with full acknowledgements to the role of the student) and there is the possibility of doing internal presentations on the findings to colleagues at the ILC (and potentially external stakeholders) and attendance at a launch event.

Financial assistance offered by the organisation: N/A