# GSK PhD Graduate Researcher Program Job Description



Job Title	Medical Affairs / Product Launch	Dept	ViiV Healthcare Australia
Project description	Support Medical Affairs team with the Australian product launch of the first complete long-acting regimen for HIV and assist with Australian 2-drug regimen (2DR) clinical audit		

# **Job Purpose\***

The GSK PhD Graduate Researcher Program is a government-funded, industry-hosted initiative developed to help bridge the gap between industry and research.

The 12-month work placement program is available to PhD graduates or postdoc researchers. The aim of the program is to provide interns with a diverse range of development opportunities, experiences and exposure with view to improving Australia's success in terms of translation and commercialisation of health and medical research; and expanding the capacity and capability.

**Background:** We are ViiV Healthcare: 100% dedicated to HIV medicines and research and completely focused on peopled affected by HIV/AIDS. We are a global leader in HIV medicines, born out of a partnership between GSK and Pfizer in 2009, with Shionogi joining in 2012. At ViiV Healthcare we are determined to help end the HIV epidemic. Since 2009, ViiV Healthcare has continued to redefine the HIV treatment landscape and improve treatment options for people living with HIV (PWHIV). In more recent years, treatment evolution has led to the approval of more potent and better tolerated agents. This has enabled the development and approval of 2-drug regimens. In 2022, we will conduct an Australian 2DR clinical audit to better understand patient demographics, reasons for switching to 2DR, and overall treatment outcomes.

Further advances in treatment will soon provide a new and innovative way to treat HIV via the use of the first complete long-acting regimen. This regimen will free people living with HIV from the burden of daily oral therapy, reducing the frequency of medicine administration from 365 doses a year to just 6. ViiV Healthcare is currently in the planning phase to bring this innovative medicine to Australian people living with HIV.

### **Project Overview and milestones**

Describe the key deliverables to be achieved by the PhD graduate and the ongoing responsibilities of the role

This project will support the Medical Affairs team in the generation of data for an Australian 2DR clinical audit and will support launch preparations for the first complete long-acting regimen. This includes delivery of internal training (clinical data presentations), external education for healthcare providers, regulatory affairs support, medicine reimbursement support, and advisory boards.

## Project milestones/deliverables:

- Support Medical Affairs team in conducting Australian 2DR clinical audit, generation of data, data analysis, presentations and publications (H1 2022)
- Support the development and management of patient access program for injectable regimen, post-TGA registration but pre-PBS listing (H1 2022)
- Support the Medical delivery of internal training for long-acting regimen clinical data (Q2 2022)
- Involvement in the review/approval of long-acting regimen commercial materials (H2 2022)
- Involvement in the planning and execution of external long-acting regimen product launch meeting (Q3 2022)
- Involvement in Advisory Board for advice seeking relating to long-acting regimen (Q3 2022)
- Involvement in local investigator sponsored study that addresses known data gaps relating to long-acting regimen (Q1 2022)

# **Project Objectives**

### The successful candidate will:

- develop a deeper understanding of the pharmaceutical industry, and how different parts of the business (medical, regulatory affairs, health economics, marketing, sales, government affairs, community affairs) support the delivery of new medicines to patients
- develop a greater understanding of the regulatory framework in which the pharmaceutical industry operates (Medicines Australia, Local SOP/Policies)
- understand the generation of HCP insights and HCP advice seeking and appreciate how these inform company strategy
- develop understanding of HIV clinical area and the current HIV treatment landscape
- develop business acumen

## **Required Skills**

Describe the key skills and level of proficiency required for this role

- Initiative and an eagerness to learn
- Ability to manage and prioritise multiple ongoing tasks
- Problem solving skills
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Ability to work well independently and in a team
- Ability to build and maintain relationships

Education	
Preferred area of study 1	BSc PhD, PharmD PhD with skillsets in any of the following: immunology, virology, genetics, pharmacy, medicine. PhD related to HIV/infectious diseases would be advantageous. Experience with clinical data and interpretation.
Preferred area of study 2	

Values	Expectations	
Patient focus	<b>Courage</b> : Decisive, Ambition, Speaking Up, Pace, Challenge status quo when appropriate	
Transparency	Accountability: Results, Clarity, Prioritisation, Ownership, Compliance focussed	
Respect	Development: Skills, Learning, Adaptable, Curiosity	
Integrity	<b>Teamwork</b> : Aligned, Connected, Inspiring, Contribute to a positive and inclusive work culture.	