**Please ensure that this proposal is no longer than two A4 sides**. Thank you.

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| Host department: Manchester |
| Project Title: |
| Understanding the prevalence and characteristics of people who attend frequently in general practice. |
| Proposed supervisory team: |
| Primary Supervisor: Prof Evangelos Kontopantelis ([E.Kontopantelis@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:E.Kontopantelis@manchester.ac.uk)).  Co-supervisors: Dr Rosa Parisi (Manchester), Dr Salwa Zghebi (Manchester), Dr Luke Munford (Manchester), Dr Rathi Ravindrarajah (Manchester), XXX (tbc from another HEIS in the consortium). |
| Potential for cross consortium networking and educational opportunities: |
| The successful candidate will have access to the networking and educational opportunities provided by the SPCR consortium members as it provides extensive training opportunities, including an annual trainee event, specialist training days, and annual Showcase, as well as opportunities for visits and collaborations with departments with shared interests. |
| Project description: |
| Some patients attend general practice much more frequently than others. Our recent work found that the top 10% of the people attending a general practice, use nearly 40% of face-to-face consultations with GPs every year. However, we currently know very little about people who attend frequently.  The candidate will use anonymised GP data and compare the characteristics of people who attend frequently with those who attend less often. He/she will explore how the number of people who attend frequently, and the types of consultations have changed over time, and whether these people are more often admitted in hospitals for cardiovascular disease or cancer (which may have been initially missed by primary care). |
| Indicative project costs: |
| Salary: 36-month full-time salary (pro rata if part time) £73,367 – £95,104 pa.  Tuition fees, training: £10,000 pa.  36-month research costs: £20K. |
| Training and development provision by host: |
| Formal training: 1. Training for managing and analysing routine healthcare data.  2. Training for methodological & statistical approaches. |
| **Informal training**: support the PhD candidate to develop their research skills and ensure they work in a positive research culture with knowledge-sharing between fellow PhD students and junior/senior researchers in the department and encourage to attend and present departmental seminar and workshops. |
| **PPIE**: links to the Manchester's PRIMER PPIE group and the wider PPIE network across NIHR SPCR members. |