Dr. Roberta L. Woodgate invites applications for the full-time position of Research Associate at the College of Nursing, Rady Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Manitoba in Winnipeg (Canada). Dr. Woodgate holds a Tier 1 Canadian Research Chair in Child and Family Engagement in Health Research and Healthcare. Her research program, IN•GAUGE, represents her dynamic approach to involve children and youth and their families and interact with clinicians, caregivers, researchers, and decision-makers in the research process, and to be innovative in the exchange of knowledge. Dr. Woodgate works with children (includes youth) and their families across a wide range of health conditions as well as diverse communities. Dr. Woodgate embraces a human rights-based approach that views the highest attainable standard of health as a fundamental human right and promotes children’s right to participate and freely express their opinions and experiences, in accordance with their evolving capacities. Dr. Woodgate aims to improve child and family engagement in health research by studying it in a systematic manner how best to engage vulnerable children and youth and their families in health research. Dr. Woodgate’s work is important as improving child health outcomes depends on research that fully understands the experiences of vulnerable children and youth with under-researched health needs and their families in health research.

The successful candidate will hold a PhD in a health related or social science discipline and have related training and experience in the fields of child/youth health research and qualitative research. The successful applicant will should be familiar with variety of research methodologies (for example qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods, arts-based and/or systematic review methodologies). The successful candidate must be able to work independently and collaboratively on Dr. Woodgate’s research projects. Familiarity and experience in writing research grants and conducting systematic reviews would be an asset. Demonstrated record in writing including peer reviewed publications and previous experience in research project coordination is required.

The successful candidate will demonstrate the ability to:

- Critical appraises and synthesizes health literature.
- Prepare and manage ethics review and study access application submission; as well, complete study amendments as necessary and yearly renewals.
- Responsible for the smooth and efficient day-to-day operation of multiple research studies.
- Monitor and document the progress of project activities from inception to completion and setting up structures for managing multiple projects.
- Conduct research activities requiring a high level of autonomy including detailed operational preparation of research projects, collecting and analyzing qualitative and quantitative data, and producing research reports, publications and presentations.
- Co-author and/or assist in the in writing scholarly publications and grant proposals.
- Provide updates and progress reports to Dr. Roberta Woodgate, other members of the research team and stakeholders.
- Participate in research team meetings. Acting as liaison, communicates and maintains research links with key stakeholders, decision-makers, research partners, and hospitals and community agencies.
- Provide training and support to graduate students and other research staff hired on the project.