

JOB VACANCY – VICTORIAN ABORIGINAL HEALTH SERVICE



Position Title: Aboriginal Health Worker
Location: Preston (Melbourne)
Employment Status: Full-time contract to 30 June 2019
Reports To: Adult (SEWB) Team Leader

About the Organisation

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS) was established in 1973 to address the specific medical needs of Victorian indigenous communities. The organisation has expanded steadily over past 40 years to provide a comprehensive range of medical, dental and social services for our community.

As well as providing a variety of medical services, VAHS is committed to supporting the well-being of the community through contributions to community events and activities. VAHS is also committed to assisting research into the ongoing needs of the community.

About the Opportunity

The primary function of the **Aboriginal Health Worker** is to provide high quality services including assessment, examination, treatment and case management, along with contributing to the development of models of holistic health incorporating continuity of care. The Aboriginal Health Workers work within a clinical team environment with the aim of improving the health status of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through the provision of comprehensive and culturally valid primary health care.

Key Selection Criteria

To be considered for this role you must have the following;

- Have an understanding and commitment to the Aboriginal community
- Previous experience working with an electronic Patient Management System e.g. MMEX (electronic medical appointment system)
- Previous experience within an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service – preferred
- A demonstrated ability to communicate, engage effectively and work together, with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and interpersonal skills that demonstrate your focus on client outcomes
- Commitment to the philosophy and practice of Aboriginal Community Control
- Sound knowledge of the health issues which influence the wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and a strong commitment to improving health and wellbeing
- Sound knowledge of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community networks
- Demonstrated high level communication skills and confidence in interpersonal communication
- Demonstrated ability to provide follow-up care services for clients and families who are identified as being at risk and/or have a chronic condition
- Demonstrated skill working as a member of a multidisciplinary team
- Demonstrated ability to meet targets and performance outcomes

Qualifications, Licenses and Registrations

- Qualifications in Aboriginal Health Work or AOD, Mental Health or Social Work or other related qualifications
- Minimum Cert III in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care, and/or Certificate IV in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care (Practice), or willingness to work towards completion of qualifications
- Current Victorian Driver's License
- Current Working with Children & National Police Check

How to Apply

Applications can be submitted to:

Employment @vahs.org.au before 5pm, Monday 26th November 2018. Request for position description can be made via employment @vahs.org.au.

*This position is not available to persons not of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent.
(Permitted under the Victorian Equal Opportunity Act 2010 s12 "A person may take a special measure for the purpose of promoting or realizing substantive equality for members of a group with a particular attribute")*