



JOB VACANCY – VICTORIAN ABORIGINAL HEALTH SERVICE

Position Title: Counsellor
Location: Preston
Employment Status: Fixed Term (Part time)
Reports To: FCS Clinical Co-coordinator

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.

VAHS is a child safe organization.

About the Opportunity

The role of the Counsellor is to provide comprehensive counseling services to individuals and families who are affected by a range of presenting issues including mental health and self-medication (AOD) challenges.

Key Selection Criteria

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

- Understanding of and Commitment to the Aboriginal community.
- A demonstrated experience and skills in mental health and wellbeing issues including substance misuse
- Ability to work in close collaboration with Aboriginal Health Workers and other VAHS staff
- Demonstrated experience in assessing and responding to contexts of risk i.e. self-harm and harm to others
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills and listening skills
- Demonstrated high levels of organizational skills
- Good computer skills and an understanding of data collection
- The demonstrated ability to work effectively as part of a multi skilled team.
- Demonstrated high level of energy, enthusiasm, reliability, resilience and flexibility
- Knowledge of and demonstrated understanding of and commitment to the principles of equity, diversity and occupational health and safety.

Qualifications, Licenses and Registrations

- Tertiary Qualifications and relevant experience in counseling.
- Accredited credentials which may include registration or fulfill requirements for registration with an appropriate national board or agency.
- Current Victorian Driving License
- Current Working With Children Check
- Current National Police Check

How to Apply

Please send your application, with a cover letter, CV and responses to the selection criteria, via employment@vahs.org.au before Sunday 5pm, 2 August 2020.

Request for position description can be made via employment@vahs.org.au