



Better Health Healing Workers | Northern Suburbs

- Identified position
- Rewarding opportunity to make a real difference
- Full time, fixed term opportunity for 2 years

About the Organisation

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS) was established in 1973 to address the specific medical needs of Victorian Aboriginal 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 organisation.

About the Opportunity

The primary function of the **Better Health Healing Workers** is to provide high quality assessment and counselling services and contribute to the development of models of holistic health incorporating continuity of care.

The Better Health Healing Workers will work across the three VAHS sites as required but be predominantly based at Fitzroy and will aim to improve the safety and mental health status of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through the provision of comprehensive and culturally safe healing.

Key Selection Criteria

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

- An understanding of the impacts and prevalence of family violence in our community and a preparedness to work with women and their children to enhance safety and support affected persons to heal from those impacts.
- Sound knowledge of the health issues which influence the social emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and a strong commitment to improving mental health and wellbeing outcomes
- Demonstrated ability to work with other services, including child protection, police, and other statutory bodies.
- A demonstrated ability to communicate and engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- Well-developed and effective verbal and written communication skills
- Demonstrated skill working as a member of a multidisciplinary team
- Demonstrated ability to meet targets and performance outcomes

How to Apply

Please forward your covering letter (addressing the key selection criteria) and resume to Employment@vahs.org.au before Sunday 11pm, 6 March 2022.

Please note: You will need to be vaccinated against Covid 19 and be prepared to undergo a police background check as part of the recruitment process.

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").