



VICTORIAN ABORIGINAL
HEALTH SERVICE
Caring for the Community

SEWB Female Outreach Worker - Balit Djerring | Preston

- Provide cultural awareness / integrity and community connectedness
- Identified position
- Join our dedicated team and enjoy the challenges

About the Organisation

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS) was established in 1973 to address the specific medical needs of Victorian Aboriginal communities. 2023 marks as a landmark year as VAHS proudly celebrate it's 50-year of providing 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, committed to child safety and wellbeing, and recruits' staff in accordance with the Child Safe Standards Victoria.

About the Opportunity

The **SEWB Female Outreach Worker** will work in a collaborative and adaptable role, directly with the Balit Djerring Team members, under the direction and combined effort of the Balit Djerring Team Leader.

Key Selection Criteria

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

- An Understanding of and Commitment to the Aboriginal community
- Demonstrated ability to work with vulnerable client groups, including the provision of holistic support services and addressing general client needs.
- Experience that demonstrates your knowledge in effective case management.
- Working knowledge of the mental health and drug and alcohol service system and the range of treatment options available.
- Demonstrated ability to work as part of an inter-professional team, including knowledge and understanding of the roles and contributions of other professionals.
- Demonstrated effective verbal and written skills with particular emphasis on interpersonal communication skills, confidentiality and record keeping.
- Demonstrated appreciation, understanding of, and sensitivity to, Aboriginal cultural values and approaches to mental health and Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB)
- Well-developed skills in the theory and application of a range of counselling and treatment orientations. Demonstrated understanding of a holistic approach to mental health
- High level of interpersonal skills and demonstrated ability to successfully engage with clients, their carers, extended family members, members of the general community and other involved professionals
- Demonstrated capacity to work effectively as part of a trans-disciplinary team
- A professional standard of report writing and verbal and written skills.
- Capacity to work under pressure and develop creative and flexible solutions to complex problems
- Knowledge of and demonstrated understanding and commitment to the principles of equity, diversity and occupational health and safety.
- Fully approved Covid 19 Vaccinations (including booster)

How to Apply

Please forward your covering letter (addressing the key selection criteria) and resume to Employment@vahs.org.au before Monday 5pm, 22 May 2023.

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")