

## Youth Mentor – Connecting Young Mob

This position is only available to persons of **Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander descent** (as 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”).

A supportive workplace that will help you to develop your skills further

Not for profit Salary Packaging available

Full-time or Part-time available

### About the Organisation

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS) was established in 1973 to address the specific medical needs of Victorian Aboriginal communities. 2023 marked a landmark year as VAHS proudly celebrated its 50th year of providing a comprehensive range of medical, dental, allied health 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 Connecting Young Mob program is a culturally grounded early intervention initiative developed to support Aboriginal young people aged 10-24 in the Western Metro region.

The program aims to strengthen cultural identity, promote healing, and reconnect Aboriginal young people to education, employment, health, and Community. To provide culturally safe mentoring, cultural engagement activities and case management support to Aboriginal young people at risk of disconnection. Delivered through VAHS established youth services, it will integrate mentoring, culturally activities, and access to holistic health and supports, ensuring wraparound care for participants experiencing disconnection and/or vulnerability.

### Key responsibilities

#### Program Delivery

- Deliver culturally safe one-on-one and group mentoring activities with Aboriginal young people (aged 10-24)
- Facilitate and coordinate cultural activities in line with the mentoring activities
- Support young people to engage with education, training, employment, holistic health and wellbeing supports, and Community
- Provide transport assistance to ensure participation and remove barriers

#### Partnerships and Referrals

- Work with VAHS intake officers and Youth team to engage participants referred by schools, police, courts and Community
- Build and maintain relationships with partner organisations and relevant services

- Connect participants to holistic health, housing, training and social support services within VAHS and externally

### **Prerequisites**

- Relevant qualifications in youth work, Community services, social work, or related field highly regarded.

### **How to Apply**

Please send your application, which must include a cover letter and curriculum vitae, via [employment@vahs.org.au](mailto:employment@vahs.org.au) before Sunday 9pm, 14 September 2025.