



**VICTORIAN ABORIGINAL
HEALTH SERVICE**
Caring for the Community

Social Emotional Wellbeing Traineeship

- 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 and enter the workforce
- Not for profit Salary Packaging available
- Full time position

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 50-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 wellbeing 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 Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) Trainee position is an entry-level role designed to support and develop skills in providing culturally safe and holistic wellbeing services. The trainee will work alongside the SEWB team to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individuals, families, and communities in strengthening their emotional, mental, spiritual, and social wellbeing.

This position provides on-the-job training, mentoring, and professional development to support the trainee’s growth into a qualified SEWB Worker.

Key responsibilities

- Complete a certificate in AOD, Mental Health or SEWB through VACCHO
- Observe and assist with intake processes, client appointments and follow-up support under supervision.
- Work closely with multidisciplinary teams including AOD, mental health, family services, and Koori Kids to support holistic care.
- Promote and maintain a culturally safe and inclusive environment for clients, families, and staff.
- Demonstrate creativity in developing and delivering wellbeing activities, resources, and community initiatives that engage diverse groups in a culturally safe and meaningful way

Prerequisites

- The capability and engagement to understand the philosophy and principles of Aboriginal Community Control and transforming it into practice.
- Demonstrated capability to achieve the key responsibilities
- Demonstrated commitment to Health, Safety and Wellbeing of self and others and Child Safety.
- Interest in pursuing a career in social and emotional wellbeing or community services.

How to Apply

Please send your application, which must include a cover letter, resume and responses to the selection criteria, via employment@vahs.org.au before Sunday 9pm, 30 November 2025.