

## Senior Support Officer – Suicide Prevention (re-advertised)

Location: To be negotiated

Full-time fixed term contract until 30 June 2019 (with possibility of further extension)

### About Western Health Alliance Ltd (WHAL) trading as Western NSW Primary Health Network (WNSW PHN)

The WNSW PHN is one of 31 Primary Health Networks across Australia established by the Australian Government to support frontline health services. Our focus is to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of primary health care, ensuring people receive the right care in the right place at the right time. To achieve this, we work closely with general practice, Aboriginal Medical Services and other health care providers, Local Health Districts, non-government organisations and the broader community.

### The Role

The Senior Support Officer is responsible for coordination, development and delivery of Western NSW Primary Health Network (WNSW PHN) initiatives for the National Suicide Prevention Trial (NSPT) being conducted across Cobar, Bourke, Brewarrina and Walgett Councils. The aims of the trial are:

- To promote the integration of suicide prevention planning, service design and delivery across relevant health and human services, emergency services, schools and community settings;
- To build the knowledge, confidence and capacity of services and community representatives to work together to plan and deliver high quality, evidence based suicide prevention, crisis intervention and postvention services in response to local needs;
- To undertake work in alignment with the Lifespan model/systems based approach to suicide prevention and the recommendations of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention Evaluation Project Report (2016);
- To collect evidence and contribute to the development of knowledge about what strategies are effective in preventing suicide at a local level and with higher risk groups.

### Benefits to working with WNSW PHN

We pride ourselves on being supportive and flexible and offer a great range of benefits including:

- Generous salary packaging options up to \$18,450 per year
  - Professional development allowance and leave
  - Flexible working arrangements
  - Supportive team environment
  - Collaboration with passionate likeminded professionals
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- 5 weeks annual leave
  - Additional leave between the Christmas and New Year period
  - 6 weeks paid parental leave
  - Opportunities to be innovative

### How to apply

For an outline of responsibilities, position description, selection criteria and information on how to apply, please refer to the Employment tab in the 'About Us' section of our website [www.wnswphn.org.au/about-us/employment](http://www.wnswphn.org.au/about-us/employment)

WNSW PHN is committed to achieving a diverse workforce and strongly encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

For further information about the position, please contact Sue Hackney, Senior Project Coordinator – Suicide Prevention. Tel (02) 6813 0948 or [sue.hackney@wnswphn.org.au](mailto:sue.hackney@wnswphn.org.au)

### PLEASE NOTE:

*The selection criteria as outlined in the position description must be addressed as part of your application.*

Applications close 9am Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018