

## Director – Policy, Advocacy and Government Relations

Suicide Prevention Australia (SPA) is the national peak body for the suicide prevention sector, providing policy advice to governments, generating community awareness and public education and managing the Suicide Prevention Research Fund. SPA works to prevent suicide by supporting its Members to build a stronger suicide prevention sector; developing collaborative partnerships and advocating for a better policy and funding environment.

We are looking for an innovative, collaborative and strategic policy professional to join our team as Director – Policy, Advocacy and Government Relations. Reporting to the CEO, this role is responsible for the development and delivery of policy and advocacy strategies that reflect the needs and ambitions of SPA Members and the broader sector. The role oversees and is responsible for:

- Policy development in consultation with Members
- Applying the lens of Lived Experience to all SPA and sector policy and advocacy strategies
- Liaison with governments to influence the development of suicide prevention policy and funding strategies
- Informing SPA's strategic position to reflect contemporary and future policy environments

SPA is recognised for its contribution to thought leadership and for amplifying the voice of Members and people with personal experience of suicide. This is an exciting opportunity for an outstanding policy professional who has government relations and policy experience within the broad health or related sectors.

People with personal experience of suicide or suicidal behavior, disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons, gender or sexuality diverse people and people from other diverse backgrounds and priority populations are encouraged to apply.

### **How to Apply**

For a confidential discussion, please contact CEO Nieves Murray on [ceo@suicidepreventionaust.org](mailto:ceo@suicidepreventionaust.org) or 02 9262 1130.

To apply for the role, please email your CV, cover letter and statement addressing the primary areas of responsibility (see job description) to [admin@suicidepreventionaust.org](mailto:admin@suicidepreventionaust.org) with the word JOB APPLICATION in the subject line. Applications which do not comply with these instructions will not be considered.

Closing date: 13 July 2018.