



Information Pack for Advertised Positions

Thank you for your enquiry. This pack contains:

- information about the role and our organisation,
- guidelines for applying and
- the selection criteria we will be using to select the right candidates.

Communications Support Officer

Location: Dubbo, Orange, Bathurst or Broken Hill

Full time permanent contract

Western NSW Primary Health Network (WNSW PHN) is currently seeking a motivated individual who has a passion for primary healthcare and community wellbeing.

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This position is responsible for assisting in the coordination of internal and external communications including events, digital and social media, and campaigns and newsletters. Working closely with teams cross the business, the Communications Support Officer will ensure timely and consistent messaging, help maintain stakeholder databases and promote community engagement through targeted campaigns. The role also supports internal staff communications and upholds organisational standards in branding, health promotion and cultural safety.

The position can be based in any one of our offices including, Dubbo, Orange, Bathurst or Broken Hill.

If you have any questions about this position after you have read this document, please contact **Jessica Steele on 0455 349 018**.

The salary for this position is Level 2, Grade 3 (\$78,375 + superannuation).

Applications should be submitted via email by 11.59pm 25 June 2025 to: hr@wnswphn.org.au

Selection Criteria

Essential

- Demonstrated experience in communications, public relations, or a related field, with proven ability to support the delivery of communication strategies and campaigns.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills, including experience in drafting content for a range of channels such as social media, websites, newsletters, and event materials.
- Proficiency in using digital media tools and platforms, including social media scheduling, analytics tools, and content creation software (e.g., Canva, Adobe Creative Suite, or similar).
- Experience in event coordination and stakeholder engagement, with the ability to manage logistics, registrations, promotional materials, and communication related to events.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively within a team and across departments, while also managing competing priorities and meeting deadlines.
- High-level attention to detail and organisational skills, including maintaining accurate records, contact databases, and supporting internal reporting processes.
- Capacity to travel within western NSW; hold a current driver's licence.

Desirable

- Experience working in the health, NGO or community services sectors
- Experience in working with Aboriginal people, organisations and communities in view of planning and implementing services and achieving outcomes for Aboriginal people.

About Western Health Alliance Ltd (WHAL)

trading as Western NSW Primary Health Network (WNSW PHN)

The Western NSW PHN (WNSW PHN) is one of 31 Primary Health Networks across Australia. We are an independent, not-for-profit organisation funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health, established to support frontline health and wellbeing 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.

WNSW PHN is an agile and high performing organisation that responds to the identified needs of the community, Commonwealth and State health policy, and the development needs of primary health care providers. We work closely with general practice, Aboriginal Medical Services and other health care providers, Local Health Districts, non-government organisations and the broader community to plan and fund programs that support local health services to meet the health needs of our communities.

Benefits to working with WHAL

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
- Family friendly and flexible working arrangements (including Hybrid model)
- Collaboration with passionate likeminded professionals
- 5 weeks annual leave
- Additional leave between the Christmas and New Year period
- Option to purchase an additional 2 weeks leave or cash out 2 weeks
- Corporate Fitness Program (Fitness Passport)
- Professional development allowance and study leave
- 6 weeks paid parental leave
- Free Employment Assistance Program

Guidelines for applicants

These guidelines aim to assist you in submitting applications for advertised vacancies with the Western NSW PHN.

For an outline of responsibilities, position description, selection criteria and information on how to apply, please refer to the Work With Us tab in the 'About' section of our website https://wnswphn.org.au/workwithus

WNSW PHN is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

PLEASE NOTE:

As part of your application, you must provide a separate statement addressing each of the selection criteria as well as your resume. If you do not provide these two documents, your application will automatically not be accepted.

Applying for a position

- Obtain and carefully read the information pack for the position of interest.
- Conduct some initial research on the organisation by browsing the website and reading key resources.
- If you need to seek clarification or additional information on the organisation and/or the position, contact the appropriate person identified in the pack.
- Decide whether you possess, and can demonstrate your skills, experience, knowledge and ability against the selection criteria.
- When addressing the selection criteria, provide examples to demonstrate and substantiate your claims. Examples should outline a situation, identify the action you took and summarise the subsequent result. Keep your response to no more than two pages, plus your Resume/Curriculum Vitae (CV).

- Be aware of the closing date and where and how to lodge your application. If, for any reason you cannot submit your application by the closing date, you should ring the contact officer to see if a late application will be accepted.
- If you require any special arrangements (e.g. wheelchair access, hearing or visual aids, etc.) to assist you to attend an interview, please discuss these with the contact officer when the interview is being arranged.

Include in your application

- A cover letter introducing yourself and outlining your interest in the position
- Statement addressing each of the selection criteria (as listed on the last page of this document)
- Resume/Curriculum Vitae (CV) that should include information about:
 - a. contact details including telephone number and email address
 - b. education/qualifications
 - c. an employment history summary including (for each position):
 - i. the employer
 - ii. start and finish dates
 - iii. your position/title
 - iv. your responsibilities and achievements in the position
 - d. a summary of your skills
 - e. professional memberships
 - f. the names of two work related referees (must be work related and senior to the position you hold), and other relevant information that will support your application not covered elsewhere.

Submit your application

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Position Description

Position Title:	Communications Support Officer
Position Location:	Dubbo, Orange, Bathurst or Broken Hill
Position Reports To:	Manager, Public Relations & Strategic Communications
Portfolio:	Media and Communications
Contract Type:	Permanent full time
Industrial Instrument:	Western Health Alliance Ltd Enterprise Agreement 2021
Position Classification:	Level 2, Grade 3
Delegated Authority:	Nil - As defined in the Delegations Procedure

Position Purpose

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Key Responsibilities:

Stakeholder Events:

- Work with WNSW PHN teams to support key events, including the Suicide Prevention Forum, Service Provider Forum, All Staff Forum and other events as required.
- Assist WNSW PHN teams to achieve effective and timely communication and engagement activities.
- Keep stakeholder contacts up to date in our internal databases.
- Upload events to the website events calendar and assist with event collateral, including flyers, registrations and correspondence.

Digital Communications:

- Support the Digital Media and Branding Officer with WNSW PHN's social media presence, including creating and scheduling posts, creating related imagery, and assisting the team in social media growth and delivering on strategy.
- Support the creation of communications collateral including flyers, videos, and web content in line with WNSW PHN branding principles and guidelines.
- Implement targeted promotional social media campaigns to increase engagement and build our following on social media using analytic tools and digital editing software.
- Monitor feedback and field enquiries through social media channels and work with the Communications Manager to deliver timely information and responses.

General Communications:

- Support the Communications team with the coordination of internal and external communications, campaigns, events and evaluation across WNSW PHN to provide a timely, effective, and consistent service.
- Support staff engagement activities, including surveys, meetings, forums and other tasks as required.
- Be an advocate for health literacy and health promotion within our community.
- Support and promote compliance with the organisation's Data Governance and Privacy Policies.

Work Health and Safety

- Take reasonable care of their own health and safety and take reasonable care that their acts or omissions do not adversely affect the health and safety of other persons.
- Comply with WNSW PHN policies and procedures relating to health and safety.
- Be aware of individual responsibilities under the relevant Workplace Health and Safety legislation and report as necessary any untoward accident, incident or potentially hazardous environment.

Statement of Organisational Commitment

The WNSW PHN is strategically focused on improving health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living and connected to our region and plays a leadership role in transitioning the primary health care system through the development of culturally safe and aware models of care, ensuring access to quality health care and commissioned services. WNSW PHN recognises Aboriginal people as the original inhabitants of Australia and as the Traditional Custodians of the land. We encourage and promote a culture of diversity within our workforce. To continue to improve the way we work with Aboriginal communities, we encourage recruitment of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within the region to add their voice to achieve health goals and priorities for our communities.

General Responsibilities:

- Demonstrate a commitment to <u>WNSW PHN's vision and values.</u>
- Respect confidentiality in line with the Privacy Act 1988 and related policies and procedures.
- Be aware of and adhere to WNSW PHN's policies and procedures.
- Ensure WNSW PHN health literacy principles and practices are known and applied.
- Undertake continuing professional development as required to ensure job skills remain current.
- Attend and participate in out-of-hours meetings and functions as required.
- Actively participate in staff development activities.
- Identify and participate in continuous quality improvement opportunities.
- Actively participate in annual performance planning and review activities.
- Maintain a working knowledge of all equipment utilised in the office.
- Undertake other duties commensurate with the role as required.
- Demonstrate and embed culturally safe practices into all work outputs and the workplace.
- Demonstrate and embed Corporate Social Responsibility in our business operations and interactions with their stakeholders.
- This role is a non-clinical support role and will not involve the diagnosis, treatment or provision of direct patient care of any type.

Competency Framework Key behaviours (refer to WHAL Competency Framework)		
Core Competencies	Role Requirement Level	
Analytical Thinking	(3) – Sees basic links	
Initiative	(3) – Proactively addresses current opportunities or problems (ahead of others)	
Customer Focus	(3) – Takes personal responsibility for customers	
Learning Orientation	(3) – Takes initiative to learn beyond thescope of current role	
Results Focus	(3) – Works to achieve a standard of results which are challenging	
Teamwork and Co-operation	(3) – Proactively shares information	
Influencing & Negotiation	(3) – Focuses on areas of interest and adapts approach to fit audience	
Planning & Coordination	(3) – Monitors and facilitates others'activities	

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Special Conditions:

- An understanding and commitment to <u>Cultural Safety</u> in the workplace.
- Conditions of employment are governed by the industrial instrument specified in the first table, the Fair Work Act 2009, National Employment Standards, Western Health Alliance Limited Employment Contract and WNSW PHN policies and procedures.
- Out of hours work, on evenings and/or weekends, may be required from time to time for which flexible working hours may be negotiated with your Manager.
- Travel, including overnight stays, across the region within the WNSW PHN's boundary may be necessary from time to time. Occasional intrastate and/or interstate travel may also be required.

Appointment Prerequisites:

- Verification of eligibility to lawfully work in Australia. You must be an Australian or New Zealand Citizen, a Permanent Resident of Australia or possess a valid Australian Working Visa to be employed by WNSW PHN.
- Certification of tertiary qualifications and professional membership (if applicable to role).

- AHPRA Registration verification (where applicable to role).
- Verification of current NSW Drivers Licence.
- Verification of comprehensively insured motor vehicle (if applicable to role).
- National Police check.
- Working with Children check (if applicable to role).