

## Aboriginal Peer Worker (Male) Mental Health SESLHD Mental Health Service

**Employment Type:** Temporary Part-Time (through to June 2025)

**Position Classification:** Health Education Officer Graduate

**Remuneration:** \$34.82 to \$55.64 per hour, plus superannuation

**Hours Per Week:** 32

### Come Work with Us

A great opportunity exists for a MALE Aboriginal Peer Worker to join a recovery focused multi-disciplinary Aboriginal MH team with strong connections and relationships with the local Aboriginal community. At SESLHD we understand that Aboriginal health is 'everyone's business' and we are committed to providing culturally responsive care for our local Aboriginal communities.

### **Where you'll be working**

SESLHD Mental Health Service, located at Kirk Place, Kogarah. Travel to other MHS sites and across the SESLHD will be required.

South East Sydney Mental Health Service would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land we live and work on, the Eora, Gandangarra and Dharawal Nations, we pay our respects to Elders, past and present.

### **What you'll be doing**

The vision for South Eastern Sydney Local Health District (SESLHD) is '**exceptional care, healthier lives**'. SESLHD is committed to enabling our community to be healthy and well, and to providing the best possible compassionate care when people need it.

The Aboriginal MH Peer Worker (PW) will be role will be positioned in the Aboriginal Mental Health team within the SESLHD Mental Health Service and draw upon their lived experience of mental health challenges and their personal recovery journey, to develop empathetic relationships and support personal recovery for mental health consumers of the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District (SESLHD).

The position will be responsible for assisting consumers to live and participate in their communities as independently as possible, through improved self-management of their mental health concerns and establishment of community connections and skills to support this. The role supports the use of recovery-oriented, person-centred and trauma-informed care principles and values.

### **Support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates**

We welcome applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates and we have an Aboriginal Employment Consultant that can provide support. If you have any questions or would like guidance on the recruitment process, please contact the SESLHD Aboriginal Employment Team via email to: [SESLHD-AboriginalWorkforce@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:SESLHD-AboriginalWorkforce@health.nsw.gov.au)

### **Selection Criteria:**

1. To be a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. Aboriginal / Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized under Section 14(d) of the *Anti-discrimination Act 1991*.
2. Personal experience as a consumer of mental health services and ability to utilise the lived experience to support others in their own mental health recovery journey.
3. Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work or willingness and commitment to obtain. For Graduate Health Education Officers additional relevant degree required.
4. Demonstrated knowledge of current local, State and National legislation and standards relevant to mental health.
5. Excellent communication (verbal and written) and interpersonal skills with the ability to collaborate effectively within the multidisciplinary team and with a diverse range of stakeholders including consumers, families and service providers.
6. Demonstrated ability to work independently with minimal supervision, as well as part of a multidisciplinary team.
7. Current Drivers Licence (with a willingness to travel in accordance with the demands of the position).

### **Need more information?**

- 1) Click here for the [Position Description](#) and [SESLHD Expected Standards](#)
- 2) Find out more about [applying](#) for this position.

### **Applications Close: 1 October 2023**

For role related queries or questions contact Marcie De Baets on [marcie.debaets@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:marcie.debaets@health.nsw.gov.au)

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to [jobs.health.nsw.gov.au](https://jobs.health.nsw.gov.au) and search Job Reference Number [REQ432634](#)