

## Principal Project Officer, Data Sharing (Identified)

- Are you interested in an opportunity to be at the forefront of a transformative project that will have a lasting impact on Aboriginal communities in NSW?
- Join us in our goal to support Aboriginal communities and uphold the principles of Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Governance.
- This is a temporary Clerk Grade 11/12 role, based in Mascot, available for contract up to 30 June 2025.
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply!

**Salary:** Clerk Grade 11/12. Package includes base salary (\$139,787 to \$161,663) plus employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**About the role:** We are seeking a **Principal Project Officer** to contribute to a groundbreaking data reform project. This role is crucial in helping the NSW Government meet its commitments to Priority Reform 4 of the [National Agreement on Closing the Gap](#). You will support the Deputy Secretary, Aboriginal Affairs, in advancing Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Governance.

In this role, you will collaborate closely with NSW and national agencies, the Coalition of Aboriginal Peak Organisations (CAPO), and other stakeholders to operationalise Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Governance principles. Your work will involve leveraging research and analysis to identify the enablers and barriers to implementing these principles within government data systems. You'll ensure these systems are relevant and culturally appropriate while evaluating complex project proposals and operational plans related to data system reforms and community engagement.

Your ability to manage rapid responses to diverse issues within the Priority Reform 4 program is crucial, as you'll need to identify emerging risks and opportunities promptly. You will also be advising senior executives on supporting community-led policy development for Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Governance, which includes developing proposals for legislative reform, business cases, and whole-of-government policies. Additionally, you will create materials in partnership with CAPO to support broader discussions on data sharing and sovereignty, both nationally and internationally.

Your deep understanding of issues affecting Aboriginal people and communities will be essential, as will your connections to local networks and service providers. Proven experience in developing solutions for government or non-government organisations, particularly in collaboration with Aboriginal communities, is highly valued. We are looking for someone eager to engage in government data reform and transformational change projects.

**You. Our ideal candidate:** We're looking for candidates with the below mentioned skills, knowledge and experience.

- **Cultural Understanding:** In-depth knowledge of issues affecting Aboriginal people and communities, with established connections to local Aboriginal networks, committees, and service providers.
- **Effective Communication:** Proven ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, understanding their unique perspectives and needs.
- **Project Management:** Demonstrated experience in managing complex projects, particularly those involving data system reforms, data governance, and community engagement.
- **Analytical Abilities:** Ability to critically analyse complex project proposals, operational plans, and initiatives, with a focus on data system reforms and community engagement.
- **Collaborative Approach:** Strong ability to work collaboratively with diverse stakeholders, including government agencies, national bodies, and community organisations, to achieve common goals.
- **Research and Analysis:** Ability to leverage research and analysis to inform the design of governance, policies, systems, and capabilities that are culturally appropriate and effective.
- **Commitment to Data Reform:** Willingness to engage in government data reform and transformational change projects, with a focus on Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Governance.

We know the value of diverse experiences. Even if you're not sure if you meet all the requirements, we'd love to hear from you.

**This is an Identified role under the Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 and as such Aboriginality is an essential requirement of the role.**

Aboriginal identified positions are developed where Aboriginal identity, cultural knowledge or connections are a genuine aspect of the role. Positions are specifically noted under the provisions of the NSW *Anti-discrimination Act (1977)* for Aboriginal people who meet the following criteria:

- is of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent, and
- identifies as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person, and
- is accepted as such by the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community.

**Applications Close: Sunday, 28 July 2024 (11:59 pm)**

To start your journey in becoming our new Principal Project Officer and to discuss this opportunity please contact the hiring manager, Kim Johnstone, 0408 277 487, [kim.johnstone@aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kim.johnstone@aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au)

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