

# Aboriginal Mental Health Worker (Adult Community Mental Health Team)

**Department:** South Western Sydney Local Health District  
**Employment Type:** Temporary Full-Time, 38 hours per week up until 31/07/2022  
**Location:** Liverpool Hospital, Mental Health Services  
**Position Classification:** Aboriginal Health Worker  
**Remuneration:** \$1,042.24 to \$1,535.05 per week

In this role being an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person is a genuine occupational requirement, and is authorised by section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1997* (NSW).

Stepping Up aims to assist Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander job applicants by providing information about applying for roles in NSW Health organisations. For more information, please visit: [steppingup.health.nsw.gov.au](http://steppingup.health.nsw.gov.au)

**There are wonderful opportunities to progress and excel in your career.**

## About The Opportunity

SWSLHD has a well-supported team of Aboriginal Mental Health workers in different teams across the district. The successful candidate will be working primarily within the Adult Community Mental Health Team at Liverpool. The clinicians are embedded in various teams to support Aboriginal consumer engagement and contribute to both cultural and clinical needs. The position also promotes and supports the cultural responsiveness of services provided by fellow clinicians within the LHD and other services in the community. Life at South Western Sydney Local Health District is rewarding, progressive and diverse and is always focused on achieving our Vision of Leading Care, Healthier Communities.

## Where You'll Be Working

At South Western Sydney Local Health District we are proud to be an equal opportunity employer, where we don't just accept differences but we honour and support it. Committed to providing a working environment that thrives and values diversity, we encourage people of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background and people with a disability to apply.

Transforming Your Experience (TYE) is SWSLHD's key strategy to always positively transform your, our patients, our consumers, our staffs and our communities experiences across our organisation and services. Our vision is that our care is always safe, high quality and personalised and all our staff are supported and empowered to achieve their full potential. SWSLHD upholds the CORE Values - Collaboration, Openness, Respect and Empowerment.

## Salary Packaging

South Western Sydney Local Health District employees are able to enjoy the benefits of salary packaging. Visit [Smart Salary](#) for more details.

## Workplace Giving Program

South Western Sydney Local Health District employees also have the opportunity to make a difference to help those less fortunate. Visit the [Workplace Giving Program](#) for more information.

## What you'll be doing

The primary role of this position is to provide culturally safe, recovery orientated evidence based assessment and interventions to clients of the mental health service who identify as Aboriginal and their families.

Working within the multi-disciplinary team process, the process will also undertake mental health promotion and community liaison tasks in support of the development of culturally appropriate mental health services within the SWSLHD.

In negotiation with SWSLHD, to undertake appropriate further education to develop the necessary competencies of a Mental Health Professional.

## Qualifications - External

### How to Apply

To be considered for this position, please ensure you address the selection criteria as thoroughly as possible.

1. Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent (An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977* (NSW)).
2. Demonstrated understanding of evidence based practice, informed by the factors that have impacted on the social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal communities.
3. Demonstrated case management or care coordination experience delivering health or social services to Aboriginal communities.
4. Demonstrated experience working as part of a multidisciplinary team to deliver health or social services to Aboriginal communities.
5. Ability to undertake health/social needs assessment to inform the delivery of care and referral/liaison with other Government and non-Government service providers including Aboriginal specific services.
6. Understanding of the *NSW Mental Health Act 2007*.
7. Demonstrated written and verbal communication skills and computer literacy. Effective interpersonal skills, problem solving skills and personal resilience.
8. Willingness and ability to complete further education in Mental Health or relevant qualification e.g., Certificate IV Mental Health; Bachelor of Health Science (Mental Health) qualification at Charles Sturt University or an equivalent clinical qualification negotiated and approved by the Mental Health Service.

## Need more information?

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

## Stepping Up - Close the Gap

[Stepping Up](#) aims to assist Aboriginal applicants understand how to apply for roles with NSW Health by clarifying the recruitment and onboarding process.

If you are an Aboriginal person and wish to obtain more information about applying for a role within South Western Sydney Local Health District, please contact the SWSLHD Aboriginal Workforce Team on [SWSLHD-AboriginalWorkforce@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:SWSLHD-AboriginalWorkforce@health.nsw.gov.au)

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## Applications Close: 22 August 2021

For role related queries or questions contact Ann Baker on 0459 871 540 or via email at [Ann.Baker@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Ann.Baker@health.nsw.gov.au)

Applications must be lodged electronically.  
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and search Job Reference Number [REQ246617](#)

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