



Macarthur Disability Services

## Aboriginal Sector Support Project and Engagement Officer

**Job No: MDS205**

**Location: Campbelltown**

Macarthur Disability Services (MDS) has been providing support to people with a disability, the frail aged and their carers for over 30 years. We actively promote the rights and aspirations of people with a disability to enrich lives and roles in the community through the provision of choice, opportunity and innovative service design.

We take great pride in what we do at MDS, and we work to foster for our employee's a culture of integrity and honesty, accountability, equality and social justice, continuous improvement and a strength based approach, in line with the MDS values.

MDS believes our mission purpose is dependent on the collective efforts of our diverse workforce. MDS aims to use a competency based management strategy for Human Resources practices and to develop motivated teams who are driven, skilled and trained.

### **MDS offers a rewarding career with:**

- Flexible Work practices
- Opportunity to make a difference
- Salary packaging

### **About the Opportunity**

MDS is seeking to employ a Fixed Term Aboriginal Sector Support Project and Engagement Officer for our Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP). This position engages with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities/organisations and mainstream organisations to consult and develop capacity that aim to increase service access by people from Aboriginal background, especially in relation to implementation of the Aged Care Reforms.

### **Key Responsibilities for this position include:**

- Develop initiatives to enable local Aboriginal and Torres Strait communities to acquire knowledge and access to the CHSP service system
- Research and remain up-to-date with the needs of the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander CHSP target population
- Promote the services of Aboriginal and mainstream CHSP services to the Aboriginal community
- Identify and initiate opportunities for collaborative projects and partnerships that build sector and community sustainability towards service access for people from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background

### **The successful applicant will have:**

- Be from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background and have close ties to the local Aboriginal communities
- Certificate IV (or higher) in a social/community services qualification or equivalent demonstrated community sector development experience
- Demonstrated community project planning, development and outcome reporting experience
- Demonstrated knowledge of aged care service system and experience assisting people to access the CHSP
- Community engagement and networking experience to establish collaborative sector partnerships
- Knowledge of the Macarthur and Wingecarribee regions especially in the context of people from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background
- Drivers Licence and access to a reliable vehicle

### **Desirable:**

- Understanding of the issues of older people and their carers

The Position is fixed term fulltime on a flexi-time contract until June 2021, with the possibility of extension to June 2022. This role is covered under the SCHCADS Award at a Level 5 Classification (\$41.89 - \$43.79) also offered is salary packaging, flexible working hours, mobile phone and leave loading.

To apply for this position, please complete the application form below

Phone (02) 4621 8400 for further information.

**Applications will not be considered unless application form is completed at [www.mdservice.com.au/careers](http://www.mdservice.com.au/careers)**

**Applications close 9am, Monday 1st March 2021**

It is essential that all applicants have the right to work in Australia. They must also have a current NSW driver's license and access to their own vehicle. Applicants will be subject to a Criminal Record Check. MDS is an EEO Employer and a smoke free workplace.

MDS is committed to achieving a diverse workforce and strongly encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

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