

Aboriginal Mental Health Clinician

Department: Western Sydney Local Health District

Classification: Occupational Therapist Level 3, Social Worker Level 3, Clinical Psychologist, Clinical Nurse Consultant Grade 2

Location: Whole Family Team - WSLHD Area Wide

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

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Purpose of position:

The Whole Family Team delivers specialist mental health and drug health services for families including parents and children, in their home where clinicians provide specialist assessments of family functioning and integrated mental health with drug & alcohol assessments of individuals which determines comprehensive care planning that includes individual & family evidence based intervention and therapy.

The Aboriginal Mental Health Clinician functions within a multidisciplinary team and gives priority to coordination of the recovery of Aboriginal people with mental illness or disorders and drug & alcohol issues, provide expert clinical services in collaboration with consumers, carers and other care providers, using an integrated and person centred approach..

Essential Criteria:

Qualification: Relevant tertiary qualifications as a Registered Nurse, Psychologist, or Occupational Therapist or Social Worker

Registration: Demonstrated full registration with AHPRA as a Registered Nurse, Psychologist, or Occupational Therapist OR for Social Workers, eligibility to be a member of the AASW

Evidence of Diversity claim if applicable: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.

Selection criteria:

1. Be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent authorised under section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*, NSW.
2. A demonstrated knowledge of the Aboriginal concept of social and emotional wellbeing including an understanding of Aboriginal family structure and Aboriginal culture and wisdom. This will include an understanding regarding the practical and emotional issues that may arise when working with Aboriginal individuals with mental health concerns and their families.
3. Recognised qualifications in health discipline (Social Work, Nursing, Psychology or Occupational Therapy) together with current registration with the Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency (AHPRA) & clinical experience in mental health.
4. Demonstrated knowledge of and sensitivity to the needs of families under stress, particularly related to their mental health and or drug and alcohol related health issues.
5. Proven effective high level written and verbal communication skills, interpersonal skills and problem solving skills including significant knowledge and demonstrated experience of medico-legal systems, processes and documentation.
6. Demonstrated ability to work an independent senior clinician as well as work within a multidisciplinary team with experience in building and sustaining collaborative partnerships with other government and non -government organisations.
7. Current NSW Driver's License.

Applications Close: 9 November 2021

Applications must be lodged electronically.

Please go to healthnsw.gov.referrals.selectminds.com/wslhd and search Job Reference Number REQ263413

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