

# SUNRISE HEALTH SERVICE ABORIGINAL CORPORATION PH: (08) 89 719 500

ABN 26 778 213 582 • ICN 4170

First Floor Pandanus Plaza 25 First Street, Katherine PO Box 1696, Katherine NT 0851

Job Title	Dietitian			Business Unit	Public Health and Planning - Population Health Team
<b>Employment Status</b>	Full time			Duration	Ongoing subject to funding
Classification	Professional 1-2			Salary	
Position Number		Vacancy Closing		Reports to Position	Population Health Outreach
			,	(name and number)	Manager
Contact	Heather Volk 08 8971 9549 or heather.volk@sunrise.org.au				
Organisation Information	https://www.sunrise.org.au/				
	Applications should be limited to a one-page summary sheet addressing the selection criteria				
Information for	and a detailed resume/cv attached. All applications to be sent to recruitment@sunrise.org.au				
Applicants	Confirmation of employment is dependent on the outcome of a Criminal History Check and				
	successful application for an Ochre Card.				

<u>Primary Objective</u>: The Dietitian is part of a multidisciplinary Population Health team. The dietitian is responsible for the provision of public health nutrition and dietetic services and will provide one on one consultations and contribute to the planning, implementation and evaluation of programs that will improve nutritional status for people living in the Sunrise Health Service Aboriginal Corporation (SHS) region.

<u>Context Statement</u>: Sunrise Health Service Aboriginal Corporation (SHS) provides comprehensive primary health care services through nine remote health centres to the 3700 people living in the Katherine East region. We value our people and are committed to providing culturally respectful holistic health programs. Our key values include mutual respect, openness, engagement, two-way learning, and cultural safety.

#### **Key Duties and Responsibilities:**

- 1. Provide high quality dietetics assessment and intervention for clients (adults and children) within the context of primary health care in a professional, confidential and culturally safe manner, in keeping with accepted best practice standards. This will include clinic-based appointments and home visits providing dietary advice and counselling where possible and appropriate.
- 2. Ensure integrated service delivery and follow up, coordinating and communicating as required with other relevant internal, visiting, and external providers
- 3. Act as the primary source of specific nutrition knowledge within the local team and with other service providers and contribute to the professional development of others in the area of nutrition.
- 4. Develop networks and work in partnership with stakeholders to identify, plan, implement and evaluate activities that aim to improve nutritional status in East Katherine remote communities.
- 5. Support the maintenance of systems such as patient referrals, statistics and other record requirements for the efficient, effective management of clients and health promotion programs.
- 6. Ensure that all reporting requirements are well planned, coordinated and submitted in a timely and accurate manner.
- 7. Work with the Population Health Team to develop and deliver health promotion activities for East Katherine region remote communities.
- 8. Follow defined service quality standards, Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) policies and procedures relating to the work being undertaken in order to ensure high quality, safe services and workplaces.
- 9. Actively participate in professional development including continuing education opportunities provided through the organisation and regular clinical and cultural supervision.
- 10. Maintain confidentiality in line with Code of Conduct and comply with all Sunrise Health Service Policies and Procedures
  - Please note that the duties outlined in this position description are not exhaustive, and only an indication of the work of the role. The organisation can direct you to carry out duties which it considers are within your level of skill, competence and training and scope of practice.



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## **Selection Criteria**

## **Essential:**

- 1. Degree in Human Nutrition and Dietetics, eligibility for Accredited Practising Dietitian status for the Dietitians Association of Australia and ability to obtain a Medicare provider number.
- 2. Previous experience working as a practicing dietitian.
- 3. Experience in working as a member of a multi-disciplinary team with a sound understanding of your role as a dietitian in self-management for clients and the skills to contribute as an effective team member.
- 4. Ability to work independently under limited direction, prioritise workload and manage time effectively whilst completing tasks, maintaining records and providing reports.
- 5. Effective interpersonal, written and oral communication skills and proven ability communicating with people from a range of professional/social and cultural backgrounds.
- 6. Demonstrated understanding of the principles of Aboriginal community control of health services and ability to practice in a sensitive and culturally safe manner in remote Aboriginal communities.
- 7. Demonstrated knowledge of comprehensive Primary Health Care Principles, including social determinants and their application in a remote Aboriginal community setting.
- 8. Demonstrated knowledge of major food, nutrition and social issues affecting health in the Northern Territory.
- 9. Hold unrestricted drivers licence.

#### Desirable:

- 1. An understanding of the Northern Territory Primary Health Care system.
- 2. Post graduate qualifications public health or community development.

#### **Further Information**

This position requires travel in light aircraft or four-wheel drive and overnights for up to several days at a time in SHS's remote communities.

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Approver: Dr Tanya Davies

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**DIRECTOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND PLANNING** 

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