



Job Title	Mental Health Registered Nurse / Social Worker – Male and Female		Business Unit	Public Health and Planning - Population Health Team – LIMHS Program
Employment Status	Full-time		Duration	12 months and ongoing subject to funding
Classification	Remote Area Nurse or AO6		Salary	\$90,369 - \$110,729
Position Number		Vacancy Closing	3/4/20	Reports to Position (name and number) Population Health Outreach Manager
Contact	Tanya Davies on 08 8971 1120 or tanya.davies@sunrise.org.au			
Organisation Information	http://www.sunrise.org.au/sunrise/home.htm			
Information for Applicants	Applications should address the selection criteria and a detailed resume/cv attached. Confirmation of employment is dependent on the outcome of a Criminal History Check and successful application for an Ochre Card.			

Primary Objective:

The Mental Health Registered Nurse / Social Worker provides expert support to clients requiring mental health care, their families and the remote based staff providing care. The position promotes social and emotional well-being, early detection of mental illness, activities for prevention of self-harm, suicide and upliftment of self-esteem. The position promotes excellence in clinical standards and quality of care and works closely with the broader Primary Health Care (PHC) team to integrate and coordinate prevention and care for best outcomes for the client. The position is a region wide clinical outreach position and requires travel by light plane or four-wheel drive and overnights stays to all Sunrise Health Service Aboriginal Corporation (SHS) communities on a regular basis.

Our key values include mutual respect, openness, engagement, two-way learning, and cultural safety.

Key Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Provide information and education to individuals and groups on issues related to mental health and social and emotional well-being.
2. Conduct mental health screening of all community members using a recognised screening tool for the early detection of mental health issues and refer at-risk patients to specialised services for early management.
3. Follow up at-risk patients and those referred back after being discharged from specialised services
4. Provide Mental Health Prevention and Care Services for people of all ages in the SHS region through direct contact with clients and families and providing advice to other members of the PHC and Population Health Team.
5. Demonstrate a high standard of professional practice and clinical leadership that incorporates best practice, education and research.
6. Contribute to and assist the multidisciplinary PHC and Population Health Team in the case management, coordination and decision making for clients requiring Mental Health Care.
7. Lead an integrated approach to the delivery of mental health service at SHS, actively promoting mental health awareness and primary prevention.
8. Facilitate better access to quality care for people with mental health related conditions.
9. Implement and promote evidence based standards and policies which are compliant with relevant professional, industrial and legislative requirements.
10. Capture and share clinical information with relevant healthcare providers, including using patient clinical records and relevant data reporting.
11. Work in close collaboration with the SHS Mental Health Nurse.
12. Other duties as directed.

Selection Criteria

Essential:

1. Current registration as a Registered Nurse / Social Worker with experience in Mental Health.
2. Demonstrated knowledge and skills in managing Mental Health conditions in a multi-disciplinary primary health care environment.
3. Understanding and adherence to the principles of Aboriginal community control of health services, and an ability to practice in a sensitive and culturally safe manner.
4. Experience in Mental Health / Social Work amongst Aboriginal people in a Remote Australian setting.
5. Advanced communication skills including well developed cross-cultural interpersonal abilities and analytical and problem-solving skills.
6. Demonstrated understanding of the principles of primary health care in remote locations.



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7. Unrestricted NT Driver's Licence.

Desirable:

1. 5 years' experience in Mental Health.
2. Understanding of cultural competency and cultural safety when working with Indigenous people and multi-cultural societies

Further Information

This position requires travel in light aircraft or four-wheel drive and overnights (or additional nights) stays to SHS's remote communities.

Approved: 9 February 2020

Approver: Dr Tanya Davies
DIRECTOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND PLANNING