**About the Organisation:**  
Spinifex Health Service (SHS) is an Aboriginal Community-Controlled Health Organisation (ACCHO) that provides a wide range of culturally appropriate health and wellbeing services, including clinical, maternal health, child health, mental health, and specialist services.   
Located 660 kilometres north-east of Kalgoorlie, WA, they operate under the direction of the Paupiyala Tjarutja Aboriginal Corporation (PTAC), a non-profit community organisation that manages the Tjuntjuntjara community on behalf of the Spinifex people and provides a range of local programs and services.  
Primary health care is delivered from the Tjuntjuntjara Clinic through a team of skilled health professionals including a Medical Director, visiting specialists, remote area nurses and Aboriginal Health Workers.

**About the opportunity:**  
  
Spinifex Health Service has an opportunity for a Remote Area Maternal and Child Health Nurse to join their team in Tjuntjuntjara, Western Australia commencing April.    
Working closely with Aboriginal Health Workers, Nurses and other staff in the community, you'll be responsible for providing and promoting a Comprehensive Primary Health care service to improve health outcomes for women and children, including children in the school in the Tjuntjuntjara community.

**Key responsibilities:**  
  
Your key responsibilities alongside remote emergency care, will include (but not be limited to):

* Working in partnership with Aboriginal Health Practitioners (AHPs), other health service staff, Kakarrara-Wilurrara Health Alliance (KWHA) services, specialists   and allied health professionals, the RFDS and other regional service providers to   provide and promote a comprehensive primary health care service with portfolio responsibilities for child and women’s health.  This includes:
* Ensuring all children and women receive their regular checks consistent with policies and procedures of the WA Health Department
* Creating and maintaining recall lists for clients including health checks, development and follow up.
* Establish and support a school-based committee to identify health goals for students and develop and implement strategies to address those goals
* Working closely with allied health and other clinicians to achieve health outcomes for women and children.
* Performing clinical duties in all areas of the health service as needed or requested by the Medical Director or Manager, including general clinic, emergency care and stabilisation including managing medical evacuations, child health, antenatal, sexual health screening and community programs.
* Observing all policies and procedures of the clinic and the organisation.
* Facilitating the referral of patients to specialist appointments including PATS arrangements.
* Work ‘On-Call’ as rostered
* Use of the electronic medical records database (Communicare) in line with the health service’s Communicare Policy and Procedure.
* Work in partnership with other branches of PTAC and other agencies in addressing the social determinants of health and well-being.
* Ordering and monitoring of supplies for the clinic including medications and medical supplies
* Maintain regular checks in the clinic including the ambulance.
* Quarterly reporting

# Selection Criteria

### Essential:

* Current registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia
* Post graduate qualification in maternal and child health recognised by the WA Department of Health
* A current WA Working with Children Check
* A National Police Clearance (not more than 2 years old)
* A minimum of three years full-time nursing experience
* Demonstrated recent remote nursing experience
* Completion of REC and pharmacotherapy courses or a willingness to complete these courses within the first twelve months of employment.
* Demonstrated understanding of issues affecting Aboriginal health, the principles of primary health care and relevant legislation governing work practice.
* Demonstrated commitment to quality improvement, evidence-based practice, research, education and professional development
* Familiarity with the CARPA Manual and the Women’s Business Manual
* A current manual driver’s licence
* Australian citizenship, permanent residence status or appropriate work visa
* Recognised Immunisation course certificate/training

### Desirable:

* Previous experience in remote Aboriginal health care delivery including child health
* Some language skills in Pitjantjara or willingness to learn the local language

**About the Benefits:**     
  
If you are looking for a change of lifestyle with great benefits, this is the role for you. You will see and experience more of Australia's real outback than most people ever will - and get paid to do it!  Tjuntjuntjara is a harmonious and cohesive community that maintains a rich cultural life.

Spinifex Health Service is an organisation that truly values its team, and is committed to improving employee knowledge, skills and experience.

The successful candidate will enjoy an excellent salary package circa $125,000 plus excellent salary packaging benefits!  You'll receive generous leave allowances and be rewarded with an above award salary.

To make the move to Tjuntjuntjara as smooth as possible, relocation assistance will be provided and, once you've arrived in the community, subsidised furnished accommodation at $40/week plus free power, water and gas are provided.

To apply, email Micheal Bradley; [manager@spinifexhealth.org.au](mailto:manager@spinifexhealth.org.au) with the completed selection criteria, along with your up-to-date CV and three contactable references.   
Applications close 5.00pm Monday 8th March 2021