

Vacancy Notice

Aboriginal SEWB Outreach Worker NW AOD/Mental Health Program (Full Time – Fixed Term 12 Months)

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service currently has a vacancy in their North/West AOD/MH Program at Family Counselling and is looking to employ a full-time Social and Emotional Wellbeing Outreach Worker.

This role will involve provide counselling, referral and support services for Aboriginal people and communities in the north west catchment who are experiencing social and emotional wellbeing issues and related problems. They will also develop appropriate health promotion, education and to also provide information provision and to facilitate harm minimization concepts.

The successful applicant will possess the following:

- Qualifications in Aboriginal Health Work or AOD, Mental Health or Social Work or other related qualifications
- A demonstrated understanding of the issues associated with alcohol and drugs and their effects on the Aboriginal Community.
- A demonstrated appreciation of mental illness, its impact, client support needs and recovery strategies, such as trauma informed care.
- An understanding of services provided by other Aboriginal agencies local mental health and drug and alcohol services.
- A demonstrated ability to contribute to recovery support plans and provide appropriate continuing support.
- Previous work experience in the fields of AOD education and counselling, social support, general counselling, advocacy and support would be an advantage.

Please note: To be a successful candidate you must meet the position requirements as well as undergo a National Victorian Police Check, hold a valid Working with Children Check prior your appointment and complete a Safety Screening Statutory Declaration.

Salary Packaging is available.

For a copy of the Position Description and Key Selection Criteria, please contact Merindah Brown on (03) 9403 3300 and if you wish to find out more about the position please contact John Egan on (03) 9403 3300.

Closing Date: 31st October, 2017

Applicants should address the key selection criteria and state full details of qualifications and experience including referees to:

Mr Michael Graham, CEO, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service, 186 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy 3065 or email employment@vahs.org.au