

POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Clinical Projects Officer

DIVISION/DEPARTMENT: Clinical Services

CLASSIFICATION: Allied Health Professional – Grade 3 (Physio/OT/Speech

Pathologist/Dietitian/Social Worker/Podiatrist)

Or

RN G4A Year 1 Clin Con A (ZF4)

INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENT: Allied Health Professionals (Victorian Public Health Sector) Single

Interest Enterprise Agreement 2016-2020 and subsequent

agreements.

or

Nurses and Midwives (Victorian Public Health Sector) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2016 – 2020 and

subsequent agreements.

REPORTS TO: Operational Director Continuum of Care

PRE-REQUISITES: Current Registration with relevant professional or regulatory body

to clinical discipline Current Police Check

Working with Children's Check

Desirable: Qualification in Project Management.

Post Graduate qualification relevant to **public health**. Post Graduate qualifications in **health administration** or

equivalent or working towards same.

KEY SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Demonstrated experience and/or qualification in project management
- Demonstrated ability to show initiative and work with minimal supervision
- Demonstrated commitment to work in a team environment.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Healthcare systems and programs, quality standards and funding models.
- Demonstrated proficiency in the use of information management systems and programs.
- Demonstrated ability to manage projects including achieving required timelines; data collection and analysis; accountability against key performance measures; and reporting.
- Demonstrated ability to lead, implement and manage change

OUR PURPOSE:

The purpose of Benalla Health is to facilitate a healthy and resilient community through the provision of integrated, lifelong healthcare services.

OUR VALUES:

Compassion, Empathy, Accountability, Respect and Excellence.

POSITION SUMMARY:

The role of the Clinical Projects Officer is to be responsible for developing, managing and implementing clinical projects as directed, through effective leadership and time management.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to clinical projects in: patient flow, HITH, Rehabilitation model of care, and advance care planning.

The Clinical Projects Officer will contribute to organisational clinical governance including ensuring project recommendations and actions comply with relevant legislation, quality and safety standards, industrial agreements and organisational guiding statements and documents.

The Clinical Projects Officer will also demonstrate appropriate expertise and leadership by both role modelling and mentoring the attributes, behaviours, knowledge and skills reflective of best clinical practice and demonstration of organisational values.

The Clinical Projects Officer will liaise with, and support the Operational Director Continuum of Care, to achieve the organisational goals related to targeted projects as outlined within the Benalla Health Strategic, Clinical Services and Operational Plans.

SPECIFIC DUTIES:

Improving Health outcomes for our community

- Meets practice and competency standards relevant to role
- Practises in accordance with the profession's code of ethics.
- Contribute to achieving clinical outcomes and service delivery through outcomes of projects and/ or the performance, as required, of clinical duties
- Liaise with and support internal and external providers as relevant to services provided
- Assist with identification, implementation and/or coordination of quality improvement activities related to clinical projects
- Ensures project outcomes/recommendations comply with relevant legislation, industrial agreements and quality and safety standards
- Has clear understanding of clinical systems related to projects
- Meets annual service targets relevant to clinical projects

Promoting and supporting wellness in ageing

- Promotes and activiely participates in divisional and organisational communication strategies including attendance of regular staff, consumer and service rounding; the facilitation of regular tea, meetings; participation in staff and consumer forums.
- Integrates consumer feedback into clinical projects
- Supports a cultures that supports open disclosure and transparency
- Supports a culture of service that promotes inclusion, person centred care and self determination
- Supports a culture of safety, evidence based practice and professional practice advancement
- Contributes to service planning and evaluation
- Demonstrates personal commitment to a culture of hardwiring excellence by role modelling behaviours and ensuring service compliance with agreed code of conduct and workplace tactics that reflect and support organisational values

Delivering high quality healthcare that is efficient, safe and sustainable

- Project activities are designed to achieve budget and advocates for models of care that continually improves service access, service integration and service responsiveness in a fiscally and environmentally sustainable manner.
- Develops and/or contributes to business case to achieve project goals and improve outcomes of care
- Complies with monthly accountability reports and meeting requirements
- Develops, maintains and monitors project specific risks as recorded on the organisational risk register
- Develops and monitors project plan to support the achievement of organisational priorities.
- Comply with incident management framework and reporting.
- Escalates concerns and/or issues in a timely manner in accordance with organisational policies and procedures.
- Utilises supplies and resources in a sustainable and efficient manner in accordance with organisational procurement policies and procedures.

Developing and supporting an engaged and highly capable workforce

- Aligns behaviours to the values of Benalla Health
- Contributes to a team culture that is inclusive and respectful of difference
- Participate in recruitment and retention strategies as requested
- Complies with mandatory and required training and completion of annual staff appraisal.
- Complies with Benalla Health rostering rules.
- Ensures scope of practice is reflective of appropriate credentialing, practice is supported by current evidence and relevant guiding documents.

Encouraging, enabling and building on innovations in healthcare systems and practice.

- Attends and participates in and/or leads (as required) Benalla Health committees relevant to clinical projects
- Develops and maintains partnerships to support and build service capacity
- Contributes to the development, review and update of guiding documents
- Implements and manages change and innovation and ensures any change in practice is evidence based and evaluated
- Monitors and analyses service data and reports service delivery and outcomes.
- Leads and/or participates in projects to review and/or advance service delivery.
- Supports organisational, departmental and/or commonwealth audit schedule and quality reporting requirements as relevant to role
- Networks within and beyond the organisation.
- Monitors trends in service outcomes and improvements benchmarked against outcomes achieved by other equitable services
- As appropriate, participates in and/or facilities research relevant to advancing the scope of practice and service provision
- Actively manages gaps and /or opportunities for growth in service provision.
- Develops funding and program submissions in collaboration with Operational Director Continuum of Care.

SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

In accordance with the current Victorian OH&S legislation and infection control standards, each employee has the responsibility to take reasonable care of their own health and safety by:

- Adhering to Benalla Health's OH&S policies and procedures
- Reporting hazards and injuries
- Participate in OH&S consultation and OHS training
- Cooperate with managers and supervisors to ensure that OH&S responsibilities are met by all

- Not wilfully interfere with or misuse anything provided in the interest of health and safety or wilfully put anyone at risk.
- Each Employee is responsible for ensuring that they are fit to perform their duties without risk to the safety, health and well-being of themselves and others within the workplace. This responsibility includes compliance with reasonable measures put in place by the Employer and any related occupational health and safety requirements.

Each employee has the responsibility to minimise exposure to incidents of infection/cross infection of residents, staff, visitors and the general public.

Please refer to Benalla Health's Occupational Health & Safety Responsibilities Guideline

QUALITY & RISK

Benalla Health is accredited by an independent Accreditation Agency. All staff are required to actively participate in quality improvement activities.

POLICY & PROCEDURES

It is every employee's responsibility to access and have knowledge of relevant policies and procedures that relate to their employment. All organisational-wide policies and procedures can be accessed on the BH Intranet site.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Any information obtained in the course of employment is confidential and should not be used for any purpose other than in the performance of duties for which the person is employed. The employee is bound by the Information Privacy Act 2000, Aged Care Act 1997 and the Health Records Act 2001.

MANDATORY ORGANISATIONAL COMPETENCIES

In accordance with current legislative requirements, all employees have a responsibility to ensure they successfully complete the following competencies as prescribed (on commencement, annually, every two years or as otherwise stated):

- Attend orientation on commencement
- Emergency Response and Fire Extinguisher Training (both theory and practical sessions)
- Manual Handling
- Human Rights, Equal Opportunity Prevention of Workplace Bullying and Managing Diversity in-service.
- Hand Hygiene Training.
- Reporting Elder Abuse.
- Person & Family Centred Care

Refer to the organisations mandatory training policy for full details.

CONSUMER ENGAGEMENT

Benalla Health employees are responsible for meaningful consumer participation so that consumers, carers and community members are active participants in the planning, improvement and evaluation of health services.

This will be demonstrated by:

- New staff attending staff induction forum where the value of partnering with consumers/carers and community members is discussed.
- Evidence that consumers and their significant others are involved in the development of their own care plans and
- Completion of annual competencies that includes the importance of partnering with consumers/carers and community members.

PREVENTION AND RESPONSE TO FAMILY VIOLENCE

It is a basic human right to be respected as an individual. Benalla Health supports this fundamental right through advocacy for the prevention and awareness raising of family violence. Benalla Health is committed to the elimination of Violence.

Each employee at BH will be expected to demonstrate their commitment by:

- Gaining knowledge and the ability to implement a brief intervention to identify and respond to family violence, underpinned by principles of sensitive practice.
- Actively participate in education and events supporting 'the prevention and response to family violence in our organisation and the community.
- Positively contribute to workplace safety and moral.
- Be able to confidently address issues that arise regarding Family Violence for clients and colleagues.

PERFORMANCE REVIEW & DEVELOPMENT

A performance review & development plan will be carried out three months post appointment and thereafter at least once a year. The position description will form the basis for the review. If performance does not meet expectations or additional staff development/guidance is required, performance reviews will be carried out more frequently. The employee can request additional performance reviews at any time in writing.

This document provides a summary of the role and duties of the position and forms the basis for periodic review of departmental and individual performance.

As an occupant of this position, I have noted this statement of duties and agree to perform the duties indicated and observe all requirements of the organisation's Policies and Procedures.

EMPLOYEE'S NAME:	
EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE:	
DATE:/	
MANAGER'S NAME:	
MANAGER'S SIGNATURE:	
DATE:/	

CREATED: January 2013

REVISED: Executive Director of Clinical Services July 2019.

Benalla Health Aligning behaviours to our Values and Code of Conduct						
Compassion	Empathy	Accountability	Respect	Excellence		
In our team we						
are kind to each other are forgiving	ask others 'how can we help' act to include each other	are honest and reliable do what we say we	acknowledge the views, opinions, beliefs and ideas of others say thank you	have a 'can do' attitude work hard		
respect personal space seek clarity where there is uncertainty maintain confidentiality for those in our care and those we work with encourage and support each other to discuss issues ensure open consultation and two-way communication use eye contact and our tone of voice to demonstrate we are actively listening to the others perspectives we see the person as being separate from any unacceptable behaviour	seek to understand the facts will support those who admit errors pull together especially in tough times have patience for those who are learning are safe to question and be inquisitive report incidents and mistakes recognising we work in a 'just' culture promote a culture of continuous improvement summarise what we have heard to demonstrate our understanding have fun	will do are honest with each other call below the line behaviour reflect on our own behaviour acknowledge problems and seek and/or offer a solution have the courage to speak up and use our voice will comply with reasonable directives follow policies and procedures including rostering rules	manage each other up encourage robust discussion smile and greet each other acknowledge people from culturally diverse backgrounds turn up on time apologise when we have hurt others and/or have been below the line in our behaviour model and demonstrate polite behaviour use AIDET when we communicate follow our organisation's dress code and dress appropriately	choose our attitude encourage innovation lead by positive example work as a team acknowledge when we are wrong encourage each other to be the best we can be and celebrate each other's achievements		
	In o	our team we do	not			
accept negative comments about others efforts withhold or deliberately make information inaccessible use or threaten to use violence - even in jest	say this is the way we have always done it judge a book by its cover tolerate angry, aggressive behaviour negatively criticise and judge another's performance actively avoid the reporting of events, incidents or issues actively or passively resist change misrepresent or selectively interpret facts	waste time turn a blind eye to poor practice expect other people to clean up our mess openly complain to everyone else except the most appropriate person who could fix the problem or issue	participate in, contribute to or encourage the rumor mill and gossip dismiss other people's opinions and contributions or put down their ideas manage each other down tolerate sexist behaviour or language use unprofessional or inflammatory language such as swearing raise our voices in patient care areas see ourselves as being more important than someone else respond with negative body language such as rolling eyes, huffing/puffing, negative tone of voice, crossing arms or shrugging shoulders talk down and be condescending to others	watch the clock ignore call bells or ringing phones regardless of who is allocated what duties blame others for our actions put our personal likes or dislikes above the needs of the team and our professional responsibility		