

Continued Health and Independence Community Health Nurse - Alcohol and Other Drugs Casual

The Position

This position will primarily support the daily operation of the Pharmacotherapy Clinic which operates from Bendigo Community Health Services' Kangaroo Flat site. Primarily the role supports the program assessment, prescribing and dispensing within the opiate replacement therapy (ORT) program. The role is part of a multi-disciplinary team that operates on principles of supporting consumer choice and recovery orientated care within a harm minimisation framework.

The Pharmacotherapy Clinic sits within the broad suite of Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) programs and services which include Withdrawal Programs (Nova House Residential and Community Based Withdrawal) and Non-Residential psychosocial support services. In turn, AOD Services are a portfolio of the Continued Health and Independence team which also includes Settlement Services and Cultural Diversity projects.

This role will focus on the:

- Provision of comprehensive, accessible and high-quality service to persons seeking assistance for ORT.
- Provision of a comprehensive range of care and support including assessment, care planning, ORT dispensing, prescriber referrals, and facilitation into a range of recovery programs.
- Support to General Practitioners and the Nurse Practitioner with the provision of addiction-focused medical care and ORT prescribing.
- Monitoring consumers progress, supervise urine drug screens, and provide harm reduction information and education.

Salary and conditions of employment are in accordance with the Nurses and Midwives (Victorian Public Health Sector) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2016 - 2020.

A qualification as a Registered Nurse Division 1 with current registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) and demonstrated experience in working in an alcohol and other drugs service specifically related to ORT is required for this position.

For further information about the position call Dale Hardy, Director - Continued Health and Independence on 03 5448 1600.

Bendigo Community Health Services encourages applications from individuals of all backgrounds and abilities.

Applications addressing the '**Key Selection Criteria**' should be marked '**Private and Confidential**' and sent to Human Resources by **4.00pm** on **Monday 28 January 2019** by one of the following means:

By Email: recruitment@bchs.com.au
By Mail: **Post Office Box 1121 Bendigo Central Vic 3552**
By Hand: **171 Hargreaves Street Bendigo**
By Fax: **(03) 5441 4200**

Applications will be acknowledged upon receipt. Applicants are requested to contact Human Resources on telephone 5448 1600 if an automatic acknowledgement has not been received.