

Innovative Health Services for Homeless Youth (IHSHY)

headspace Bendigo

MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIAN

45.6 hours per fortnight (0.6 FTE)

Ongoing

The position

Headspace Bendigo are seeking a Mental Health Clinician to work within the IHSHY (Innovative Health Services for Homeless Youth) program which operates at the interface between those young people who are marginalized within our society, and the health system. As the name suggests, the program is to be directed to innovative responses to young people who are homeless, or at risk of becoming homeless.

Young people who experience homelessness have substantial challenges in accessing consistent health care, and are at higher risk of chronic health issues, mental health problems, and may be more likely to experience problematic drug and alcohol use. Many only access health care in a crisis but benefit from well-developed support networks to address their health care needs beyond the initial crisis. This role is co-located within the headspace Bendigo team.

Key Selection Criteria

Essential

- 1. Tertiary qualification in a relevant discipline with current membership of an appropriate professional body (for example AHPRA, AASW).
- 2. Knowledge of the complex health needs of young people; particularly those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- 3. A strong desire to work in the field of youth health / mental health and an ability to provide practice that is sensitive to the needs of diverse young people.
- 4. Ability to provide vaccination information that meets the requirements for healthcare workers.

For further information about the position contact Lindsay Rose on 03 5406 1400.

To view the position description please go to https://www.bchs.com.au/careers/current-jobs

Applications addressing the **Key Selection Criteria** should be emailed to <u>recruitment@bchs.com.au</u>

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

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Applications will be acknowledged upon receipt. Applicants are requested to contact Human Resources on telephone 5406 1312 if an automatic acknowledgement has not been received.