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SA Health Job Pack

Job Title	Patient Services Clerk – Casual
Eligibility	Open to Everyone
Job Number	873274
Applications Closing Date	30 May 2025
Region / Division	Yorke and Northern Local Health Network
Health Service	Port Pirie Regional Health Services
Location	Port Pirie
Classification	ASO2
Job Status	Casual positions
Salary	\$29.57 - \$31.81 per hour + 25% casual loading

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Criminal History Assessment

Applicants will be required to demonstrate that they have undergone an appropriate criminal and relevant history screening assessment/ criminal history check. Depending on the role, this may be a Department of Human Services (DHS) Criminal History Check and/or a South Australian Police (SAPOL) National Police Check (NPC). The following checks will be required for this role:

- Working with Children Check (WWCC) - **DHS**
- National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Worker Check- **DHS**
- Unsupervised contact with Vulnerable groups- **NPC**
- Unsupervised contact with Aged Care Sector- **DHS**
- No contact with Vulnerable Groups - General Employment Probity Check - **NPC**

Further information is available on the SA Health careers website at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers - see Career Information, or by referring to the nominated contact person below.

Immunisation

Risk Category B (indirect contact with blood or body substances)

This role carries specific immunisation requirements. To be eligible for appointment in this role you will be required to meet the immunisation requirements associated with Category B (indirect contact with blood or body substances). [Please click here for further information on these requirements.](#)

Guide to submitting an application

Thank you for considering applying for a position within SA Health. Recruitment and Selection processes across SA Health are based on best practice and a commitment to a selection based on merit. This means treating all applications in a fair and equitable manner that aims to choose the best person for the position.

A well presented, easy to read application will allow the panel to assess the information they need from your application. To give yourself the best opportunity to reach interview, the application should clearly and concisely demonstrate to the selection panel that you are suitably equipped to perform the role, and that you possess all of the stated minimum essential skills, abilities, knowledge, experience and educational qualifications (where required).

The online application form to apply for this position will ask for employment history, education, qualifications and referees however to understand the position and requirements we suggest you become familiar with the attached Job and Person Specification.

We request that you attach the following to your application -

- ↪ **A covering letter** of up to 2 pages introducing yourself to the selection panel and describing your skills, abilities, knowledge, qualifications and experience in relation to the position;
- ↪ **A current Curriculum vitae/Resume** that includes your personal details, relevant employment history, education, training courses, qualifications and professional memberships.

* Refer to [Guidelines for Applicants](#) for further information regarding

- Salary Packaging
- Opportunities for movement within SA Health
- Flexible working arrangements
- Criminal History screening and background checks
- Immunisation requirements
- Rights of review
- Information for applicants



ROLE DESCRIPTION

Role Title	Patient Services Clerk (Casual)
Classification Code	ASO2
Position Number	P23851
Local Health Network	Yorke and Northern Local Health Network Inc.
Hospital / Service / Cluster / RSS	Port Pirie Regional Health Service
Department/Section / Unit/ Ward	Patient Services
Role reports to	Manager, Patient Services
Role Created/ Reviewed Date	
Criminal History Clearance Requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NPC – Unsupervised contact with vulnerable groups <input type="checkbox"/> DHS Working With Children Check (WWCC) <input type="checkbox"/> NDIS Worker Screening Please click here for further information on these requirements
Immunisation Risk Category	Category B (Indirect contact with blood or body substances) Please click here for further information on these requirements

ROLE CONTEXT

Primary Objective(s) of role:

- > Responsible for the provision registration of Inpatient, Outpatient and Emergency activity.
- > Provision of an accurate and timely data processing of Outpatient and Emergency data.
- > Provision of a high quality, confidential; customer focused administrative service to clients, staff and visitors for the Yorke and Northern LHN.
- > Delivery of a switchboard service to Health Unit and Community Health.
- > Filing of client information within Medical casenotes and collating of medical casenotes on discharge of clients from the health service.
- > Delivery of medical casenotes on requests for audits and review.

Key Relationships/ Interactions:

Internal

- > Communicating and providing information to clinical staff in the form of dates and records within the health service.
- > Providing a data service to the manager on request
- > Teamwork within the department.

External

- > Communicating and providing information to General Practitioners, Specialist and other health organisations.
- > Communicating efficiently with key stakeholders/users of the health service.

Challenges associated with Role:

Major challenges currently associated with the role include:

- > Dealing with the public in all situations, being able to keep calm and responsive in complex cases, to prevent inappropriate escalation of any situation and to provide a successful outcome for all queries.
- > Timely and accurate data entry to provide best data available for funding and statistical purposes
- > Being an effective team member within a 24 hour / 7 days a week team.
- > Ability to work alone if required and to use initiative within provided policy and procedures of the Health Service and YNLHN/SA Health.

Delegations:

> Nil

Resilience:

SA Health employees persevere to achieve goals, stay calm under pressure and are open to feedback.

Performance Development

It is your responsibility to actively participate in the Performance Review & Development Program which will include a six (6) monthly review of your performance against the responsibilities and key result areas associated with your position and a requirement to demonstrate appropriate behaviours which reflect a commitment to South Australian Public Sector and Yorke and Northern Local Health Network Inc. values and strategic directions.

General Requirements:

*NB References to legislation, policies and procedures includes any superseding versions

Managers and staff are required to work in accordance with the Code of Ethics for South Australian Public Sector, Policies and Procedures and legislative requirements including but not limited to:

- > *Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA)* and when relevant WHS Defined Officers must meet due diligence requirements.
- > *Return to Work Act 2014 (SA)*, facilitating the recovery, maintenance or early return to work of employees with work related injury / illness.
- > Equal Employment Opportunities (including prevention of bullying, harassment and intimidation).
- > *Children's Protection Act 1993 (Cth)* – 'Notification of Abuse or Neglect'.
- > Disability Discrimination.
- > Independent Commissioner Against Corruption Act 2012 (SA).
- > SA Information Privacy Principles.
- > Relevant Awards, Enterprise Agreements, *Public Sector Act 2009 (SA)*, *Health Care Act 2008 (SA)*, and the SA Health (Health Care Act) Human Resources Manual.
- > Relevant Australian Standards.
- > Duty to maintain confidentiality.
- > Smoke Free Workplace.
- > To value and respect the needs and contributions of SA Health Aboriginal staff and clients and commit to the development of Aboriginal cultural competence across all SA Health practice and service delivery.
- > Applying the principles of the South Australian Government's Risk Management Policy to work as appropriate.
- > Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (South Australia) Act 2010.
- > *Mental Health Act 2009 (SA)* and Regulations.
- > *Controlled Substances Act 1984 (SA)* and Regulations.
- > Professional Practice Standards and competencies consistent with area of practice as varied from time to time.
- > SA Health / Select Local Health Network from drop down; policies, procedures and standards.

Handling of Official Information:

By virtue of their duties, SA Health employees frequently access, otherwise deal with, and/or are aware of, information that needs to be treated as confidential.

SA Health employees will not access or attempt to access official information, including confidential patient information other than in connection with the performance by them of their duties and/or as authorised.

SA Health employees will not misuse information gained in their official capacity.

SA Health employees will maintain the integrity and security of official or confidential information for which they are responsible. Employees will also ensure that the privacy of individuals is maintained and will only release or disclose information in accordance with relevant legislation, industrial instruments, policy, or lawful and reasonable direction.

White Ribbon:

SA Health has a position of zero tolerance towards men's violence against women in the workplace and the broader community. In accordance with this, the incumbent must at all times act in a manner that is non-threatening, courteous, and respectful and will comply with any instructions, policies, procedures or guidelines issued by SA Health regarding acceptable workplace behaviour.

Cultural Statement:

Select Local Health Network from drop down; welcomes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and values the expertise, cultural knowledge and life experiences they bring to the workplace. Select Local Health Network from drop down; is a culturally inclusive work environment that is respectful of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture.

Special Conditions:

*NB Reference to legislation, policies and procedures includes any superseding versions

- > It is mandatory that no person, whether or not currently working in SA Health, will be eligible for appointment to a position in SA Health unless they have obtained a satisfactory National Police Certificate (NPC).
- > Prescribed Positions under the Child Safety (Prohibited Persons) Act 2016 must obtain a satisfactory Working With Children Check (WWCC) through the Department of Human Services (DHS) Screening Unit.
- > Approved Aged Care Provider Positions as defined under the Accountability Principles 1998 made in pursuant to the Aged Care Act 2007 (Cth) must obtain a satisfactory National Police Certificate (NPC) through the South Australian Police confirming the clearance is for the purpose of unsupervised contact with vulnerable groups.
- > Prescribed positions under the Disability Services Act 1993 must obtain a satisfactory Disability Services Employment Screening through the Department of Human Services (DHS) Screening Unit
- > NPCs and DHS Disability Services Employment Screenings must be renewed every 3 years thereafter from date of issue.
- > WWCCs must be renewed every 5 years thereafter from date of issue.
- > Depending on work requirements the incumbent may be transferred to other locations across SA Health to perform work appropriate to classification, skills and capabilities either on a permanent or temporary basis subject to relevant provisions of the Public Sector Act 2009 for Public Sector employees or the SA Health (Health Care Act) Human Resources Manual for Health Care Act employees.
- > The incumbent may be required to participate in Counter Disaster activities including attendance, as required, at training programs and exercises to develop the necessary skills required to participate in responses in the event of a disaster and/or major incident.
- > Appointment is subject to immunisation risk category requirements (see page 1). There may be ongoing immunisation requirements that must be met.

Key Result Area and Responsibilities

Key Result Areas	Major Responsibilities
<p>Contribute to the provision of a high quality customer service for both internal and external clients by</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Providing a comprehensive support for all clients either personal presentation or via telephone, with correct information or assistance with referrals to appropriate person for attention when and if required. > Responding to incoming telephone calls and providing accurate information to telephone queries. > Attending to visitors in the reception area in a professional manner and ensuring they are directed appropriately. > Networking and establishing working relationships with other administrative colleagues. > Taking and relaying clear and accurate messages.
<p>Ensure a professional, efficient administrative support service to the Patient Service by:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Assisting in providing documentation and briefings to senior staff in preparation for attendance at meetings, e.g. collating and circulating agendas and other information required for meetings. > Undertaking accurate and timely word processing, preparation and editing of letters, minutes and other correspondence in accordance with Departmental practices and procedures. > Responding to queries and urgent issues when directed. > Undertaking desktop publishing as required; particularly urgent or confidential items as directed. > Liaising with outside organisations and staff to obtain information. > Assisting with the sorting, processing and distribution of electronic and hard copy correspondence as directed. > Providing assistance to other senior member's division/directorate when requested. > Undertaking stock control of stationary including relevant administrative forms are maintained at appropriate levels. > Distributing and receiving accommodation keys as required, utilising Accommodation spreadsheets as required. Advising appropriate staff when issues arise, including maintenance, linen and other issues that may arise. > Upholding the rules and regulations of the Medical Records Department, ensuring no access by unauthorised staff, handling of sensitive and confidential documentation. > Working under limited supervision, applying initiative and using limited judgement through precedents, guidelines, procedure, regulations and instructions. > Collation of admission packages and ensuring adequate supply of all forms required for these packages are maintained.
<p>Contribute to the development and implementation of best practice in the delivery of administrative services by:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Participating in a range of continuous quality improvement activities. > Participating in relevant staff development activities. > Assisting in the development, maintenance and reviewing of systems and processes. > Assist other support staff within the department with general reception and clerical duties where possible within the prioritisation of own workload and deadlines. > Contribute to supervision and training other administrative staff > Participate in team meetings and committees as required.
<p>Maintaining accurate electronic & hardcopy records and files by:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Updating, filing and retrieving of relevant records and files. > Registering details onto the client management data system. > Prepare/collate notes and appropriate forms for Day/Inpatient Admissions. Ensure forms are labelled and chart movement is recorded. Liaising with nursing staff and administration for allocation of beds. > Ensuring case notes and case notes forms meet minimum data standards. > In the event of a power failure or system failure implement and maintain Manual systems in accordance with the BCP.

<p>Employees have a responsibility and obligation to comply with statutory and organisational requirements, procedures and rules that are introduced to ensure a safe and healthy work environment, free of discrimination by:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Complying with workplace policies and procedures. > Participating in all activities associated with the management of workplace health and safety. > Comply by having a working knowledge and understanding of the requirements relating to confidentiality. > Identifying and reporting all health and safety risks, accidents, incidents, injuries property damage and near misses in the workplace. > Complying with and have a working knowledge and understanding of Infection Controlling policies and procedures. > Utilising appropriate personal protective equipment. > Promoting awareness and compliance with Equal Employment Opportunity principles. > Participating in personal development reviews. > Participation in continuous quality improvement programmes. > Ensuring cultural sensitivity is maintained by attending and contributing to their learning in diversity of Cultural awareness and cross cultural training, with a frequency determined as appropriate by the organisation.
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Knowledge, Skills and Experience

ESSENTIAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Educational/Vocational Qualifications

Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- > Proven ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing with a wide range of clients, members of the community, health service staff and staff from other agencies.
- > Demonstrated ability to work as a member of a team and contribute positively to a spirit of team cooperation.
- > Proven excellent customer service skills.
- > Consistently demonstrate an attentive helpful manner, including dealing with difficult clients.
- > A high level of competency in the use of computers, word processing and office administration processes and procedures.
- > Sound word processing and data entry skills.
- > Ability to comply with the health service policy on confidentiality.

Experience

- > Experience in providing administrative & clerical support services.
- > Developing spreadsheets, using the Microsoft Excel application.

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DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS

Educational/Vocational Qualifications

Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- > Possess proven organisational skills and an ability to cope with high volumes of work/enquires and meets deadlines.
- > Ability to use time and task management skills to optimise the organisation and efficiency of the Administration Department.

Experience

- > Administration experience in a Health Service environment

Knowledge

- > Knowledge of Customer Service principles
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Organisational Context

Organisational Overview:

Our mission at SA Health is to lead and deliver a comprehensive and sustainable health system that aims to ensure healthier, longer and better lives for all South Australians. We will achieve our objectives by strengthening primary health care, enhancing hospital care, reforming mental health care and improving the health of Aboriginal people.

SA Health is committed to a health system that produces positive health outcomes by focusing on health promotion, illness prevention and early intervention. We will work with other government agencies and the community to address the environmental, socioeconomic, biological and behavioural determinants of health, and to achieve equitable health outcomes for all South Australians

Our Legal Entities:

SA Health is the brand name for the health portfolio of services and agencies responsible to the Minister for Health and Ageing and the Minister for Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

The legal entities include but are not limited to Department for Health and Ageing, Central Adelaide Local Health Network, Northern Adelaide Local Health Network, Southern Adelaide Local Health Network, Women's and Children's Health Network, Barossa Hills Fleurieu Local Health Network, Eyre and Far North Local Health Network, Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network, Limestone Coast Local Health Network, Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network, Yorke and Northern Local Health Network and SA Ambulance Service.

SA Health Challenges:

The health system is facing the challenges of an ageing population, increased incidence of chronic disease, workforce shortages, and ageing infrastructure. The SA Health Care Plan has been developed to meet these challenges and ensure South Australian's have access to the best available health care in hospitals, health care centres and through GPs and other providers.

Health Network/ Division/ Department:

Local Health Networks aspire to be the best provider of rural and remote health services in Australia. LHN's through the inspiration and hard work of its people, deliver high quality and innovative health services to improve health outcomes for country South Australians. LHN's deliver a comprehensive range of health services in hospital and community settings according to population needs. It focuses on integrating its service delivery with metropolitan hospitals and other service providers in country locations. The safety and quality of health services in country South Australia is of primary importance. LHN's participate in rigorous national accreditation processes and engage local community members to provide insight and knowledge of the needs of consumers and potential strategies to achieve the best service.

The Patient Service department's role is to provide a First point of attendance to clients within the health service by providing information on the Health Service and services provided. It also provides the administrative assistance for all Admissions and Discharges for the health service. It supports the health service for its statistical data and Case-mix funding requirements. They are the custodians of the clients Medical Record.

Values

SA Health Values

The values of SA Health are used to indicate the type of conduct required by our employees and the conduct that our customers can expect from our health service:

- > We are committed to the values of integrity, respect and accountability.
- > We value care, excellence, innovation, creativity, leadership and equity in health care provision and health outcomes.
- > We demonstrate our values in our interactions with others in SA Health, the community, and those for whom we care.

Code of Ethics

The Code of Ethics for the South Australian Public Sector provides an ethical framework for the public sector and applies to all public service employees:

- > Democratic Values - Helping the government, under the law to serve the people of South Australia.
- > Service, Respect and Courtesy - Serving the people of South Australia.
- > Honesty and Integrity- acting at all times in such a way as to uphold the public trust.
- > Accountability- Holding ourselves accountable for everything we do.
- > Professional Conduct Standards- Exhibiting the highest standards of professional conduct.

The Code recognises that some public sector employees are also bound by codes of conduct relevant to their profession.

As a public sector employee, you have a responsibility to maintain ethical behaviour and professional integrity standards. It is expected that you act in accordance with the Code of Ethics and contribute to a culture of integrity within SA Health.

SA Health acknowledges culture and identity as being integral to Aboriginal health and wellbeing and is committed to improving the health of Aboriginal people.

SA Health vision for Reconciliation is the gap is closed on Aboriginal health disadvantage; and Aboriginal people share the same rights, respect and access to opportunities and benefits as all South Australians.

Approvals

Role Description Approval

I acknowledge that the role I currently occupy has the delegated authority to authorise this document.

Name:

Role Title:

Signature:

Date:

Role Acceptance

Incumbent Acceptance

I have read and understand the responsibilities associated with role, the role and organisational context and the values of SA Health as described within this document.

Name:

Signature:

Date: