

# **SA Health Job Pack**

Job Title	Nurse Consultant - Intensive Care Unit
Job Number	672348
Applications Closing Date	14 December 2018
Region / Division	Northern Adelaide Local Health Network
Health Service	Lyell McEwin Hospital
Location	Elizabeth Vale
Classification	RN/M3
Job Status	Permanent Full-Time
Indicative Total Remuneration*	\$124,301 - \$131,635 p.a.

# **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 Communities and Social Inclusion (DCSI) Criminal History Check and/or a South Australian Police (SAPOL) National Police Check (NPC). The following checks will be required for this role:

Aged Care Sector Employment Screening - NPC

General Employment Probity Check - NPC

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

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# 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 http://www.sahealthcareers.com.au/information/ for further information regarding
  - The Indicative Total Remuneration which is inclusive of Award salary, superannuation and other monetary benefits.
  - Information for Applicants
  - Criminal History Assessment requirements



# **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

Role Title:	Nurse/Midwife Consultant	
Classification Code:	Registered Nurse/Midwife Level 3	
LHN/ HN/ SAAS/ DHA:	Northern Adelaide Local Health Network	
Hospital/ Service/ Cluster		
Division:		
Department/Section / Unit/ Ward:		
Role reports to:	Nursing Director – Level 5	
Role Created/ Reviewed Date:	November 2018	
Criminal History Clearance Requirements:	<ul> <li>□ Aged (NPC)</li> <li>□ Child- Prescribed (DCSI)</li> <li>□ Vulnerable (NPC)</li> <li>□ General Probity (NPC)</li> </ul>	

# **ROLE CONTEXT**

Employees classified at this level provide clinical nursing/midwifery expertise for specified individual patients/clients and/or groups/populations, and/or provide clinical leadership for an area of practice, and may work in a variety of clinical settings. Employees classified at this level are experts within their area and stream of practice and have a significant degree of autonomy and decision making.

Various practice models may be used to enact this role, including but not limited to:

- Primarily providing nursing/midwifery care;
- Providing clinical leadership to nurses/midwives;
- Nurse Practitioner Candidate: Nurses classified at this level are working towards becoming an
  expert and being able to provide extended practice in their specialist field, within their scope of
  practice. They develop their capacity for extended practice by increasing their knowledge and skills
  through ongoing clinical exposure, post graduate qualifications and mentoring, with supervision by
  an authorised nurse practitioner and/or medical staff.

Employees in this role accept accountability for their nursing/midwifery practice, the outcomes of nursing/midwifery practices for the specific patient/client group, the professional advice given, delegations of care made and for addressing inconsistencies between practice and policy.

>	Nil			

### **Key Relationships/Interactions:**

#### **Internal**

- > Maintains close collaborative working relationships with all level 3 and level 4 Nurses/ Midwives.
- > Maintains cooperative and productive working relationships within all members of the health care team.
- > Supports and works collaboratively with less experienced members of the nursing/ midwifery team.

#### External

> Non-government organisations or other government organisations/agencies

#### Challenges associated with Role:

Major challenges currently associated with the role include:

- > Keeping professionally up to date with relevant research, technological advances and models of care.
- > Working appropriately and in a culturally respectful way with patients and their families where there are multiple complexities, diverse cultural backgrounds and expectations of clients.
- Accepting responsibility for the maintenance of own knowledge and professional competence and contemporary practices.
- Working collaboratively within the multidisciplinary team and across organisational Divisions/sites and promotes communication processes to enable best patient/client outcomes.

### **Delegations:**

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### Resilience:

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

### **Performance Development**

The incumbent will be required to participate in the organisation's Performance Review & Development Program which will include a regular review of the incumbent's performance against the responsibilities and key result areas associated with their position and a requirement to demonstrate appropriate behaviours which reflect a commitment to SA Health values and strategic directions.

#### **General Requirements:**

\*NB Reference 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
- > The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia Registration Standards (including the Guidelines and Assessment Frameworks for Registration Standards)
- > The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia Professional Practice Codes and Guidelines (including Competency Standards, Codes of Ethics and Professional Conduct, Decision Making Framework and Professional Boundaries)
- Professional Practice Standards and competencies consistent with area of practice as varied from time to time
- Relevant policies, procedures and standards of SA Health and the Northern Adelaide Local Health Network.

### **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.

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#### 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 behavior.

#### **Cultural Commitment:**

NALHN welcomes and respects Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and values the expertise, cultural knowledge and life experiences they bring to the workplace. In acknowledgement of this, NALHN is committed to increasing the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce

#### **Special Conditions:**

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

- > Meet immunisation requirements as outlined by the Immunisation Guidelines for Health Care Workers in South Australia 2014 specific to the role.
- > 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 Background Screening and National Criminal History Clearance.
- > Prescribed Positions under the Children's Protection Act (1993) must obtain a satisfactory Background Screening and National Criminal History Clearance through the Screening and Licensing Unit, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion.
- > Background Screening and National Criminal History Clearances must be renewed every 3 years thereafter from date of issue for 'Prescribed Positions' under the *Children's Protection Act 1993* (Cth) or 'Approved Aged Care Provider Positions' as defined under the *Accountability Principles 1998* made in pursuant to the *Aged Care Act 2007* (Cth).
- > 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.

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# **Key Result Area and Responsibilities**

Key Result Areas	Major Responsibilities	
Direct/indirect patient/client care	>	Integrate contemporary information and evidence with personal experience to support the decision making, innovative thinking and objective analysis that is expected at this level eg Expert clinical knowledge underpins and informs their ability to support, lead and/or provide expert clinical care to improve and optimise nursing/midwifery care.
	>	Provide direct, expert clinical nursing/midwifery care, select and implement different therapeutic interventions, provide individual case management to a defined population of patients/clients and evaluate progress.
	>	Contribute expert nursing/midwifery assessment and advice to local clinical teams to achieve integrated nursing/midwifery care within a risk management framework.
	>	Undertake the nursing/midwifery care role with a significant degree of independent clinical decision making in the area of personal expertise.
	>	Be required in a multidisciplinary primary health care setting to apply nursing/midwifery expertise to assess clients, select and implement different therapeutic interventions and/or support programs and evaluate patient/client progress.
	>	Effective complex discharge planning / hospital avoidance through the provision of education, equipment and referral.
Support of health service systems	>	Use available information systems: to inform decision making, to implement and co-ordinate processes for quality improvement, to monitor and analyse incidents and accidents, to ensure quality and safety is not compromised, to evaluate outcomes and convey information to staff.
	>	Contribute to the development of, implementation of, and monitoring of corporate policies and processes and lead in their area of expertise.
	>	Management of resources with due diligence.
	>	Implement and co-ordinate within span of control, processes for quality improvement and continuity within corporate risk management and nursing/midwifery professional practice frameworks.
	>	Identifying hazards, assessing risks and implementing, monitoring and maintaining hazard control measures.
	>	Maintain productive working relationships and manage conflict resolution.
	>	Contribute to the development and sustainability of nursing/midwifery skills for the needs of the specific population group using systems of resource and standards promulgation.  Contribute specific expertise to nursing/midwifery practice through
	>	clinical protocol and standards development.
Education	>	Hold a contemporary professional practice portfolio containing evidence of postgraduate qualifications, learning and practice experience that underpin a demonstrable application of knowledge and skills commensurate with the level and type of practice expected of the role.
	>	Ensure mechanisms are in place to support ongoing education where work and learning are integrated.
	>	Apply and share expert clinical knowledge to improve patient/client care outcomes.
	>	Contribute clinical expertise to learning environments, which may include individual/team capability development and/or post registration clinical teaching.

Research	<ul> <li>Contribute specific expertise to monitor and evaluate research activities in order to improve nursing or midwifery practice and se delivery;</li> </ul>	
	Establishing, implementing and evaluating systems, which practice/evidence and patient/client outcomes;	ensure best
	Applies evidenced based recommendations to improve pra service function;	ctice and
	Contribute to clinical practice research.	
Professional leadership	Provides leadership and direction, acts a role model, mento consultant and resource person; Lead nursing/midwifery clinical practice within the profession practice framework established by the Director of Nursing/Nund/or lead a multidisciplinary team; Contribute to the redesign of care and treatment practices.	onal Midwifery

## **ESSENTIAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

### **Educational/Vocational Qualifications**

> Registered or eligible for registration as a Nurse/Midwife with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and who holds, or who is eligible to hold, a current practicing certificate.

# Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- > Effective leadership skills including highly developed skills in communication, problem solving, conflict resolution and negotiation skills.
- > Ability to work effectively within a multidisciplinary team.
- > Ability to prioritise workload and meet set timelines.
- > Demonstrated ability to foster a workplace environment that develops staff potential.
- > Proven ability for flexibility, innovation and creativity with in the whole of service setting.
- > Demonstrated ability in the leadership and facilitation of change management.
- > Demonstrated ability in leading and promoting consumer engagement initiatives

### **Experience**

- Registered Nurse and or Midwife with at least 3 years post registration experience.
- > Demonstrated competence in the relevant area of nursing and or midwifery practice in accordance with the relevant standards.
- Experience in the supervision of students, enrolled nurses and less experienced registered nurses and or midwives.

# Knowledge

- > Knowledge and understanding of relevant legislation, industrial agreements, standards, codes, ethics and competency standards
- > Knowledge of Australian National Safety and Quality and Safety Health Service Standards
- > Knowledge of contemporary professional nursing and or midwifery and health care issues.

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## **DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS**

### **Educational/Vocational Qualifications**

- > Where applicable, qualifications relevant to practice setting.
- > Tertiary qualifications in nursing and or midwifery or human services related discipline (Graduate Diploma or Master level)

# Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- > Skills in using computers and software relevant to the area of practice.
- > Ability to analyse complex clinical data.
- > Ability to undertake presentations to community and professional groups.

### **Experience**

- > Experience with quality improvement methodologies for clinical activities
- > Experience in evaluating the results of nursing and or Midwifery research and integrating, where relevant, the results into nursing and or midwifery practice.
- > Experience in clinical management and leadership roles.

# Knowledge

Knowledge of the South Australian Public Health System.

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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, Country Health SA 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:**

The implementation of the National Health Reform in 2011 saw the establishment of five Local Health Networks across SA intended to promote, maintain and restore the health of the communities they serve.

The Northern Adelaide Local Health Network (LHN) provides care for around 341,000 people living in the northern metropolitan area of Adelaide as well as providing a number of state-wide services, and services to those in regional areas. More than 3,800 skilled staff provide high quality patient care, education, research and health promoting services.

The Northern Adelaide Local Health Network (NALHN) provides a range of acute and sub acute health services for people of all ages and covers 16 Statistical Local Areas and four Local Government Areas (one of which crosses the Central Adelaide Local Health Network) and includes the following:

- Lyell McEwin Hospital
- Modbury Hospital
- Sub-Acute
- GP Plus Health Care Centres and Super Clinics
- Aboriginal Health Care Services
- Mental Health Services (including two statewide services Forensics and Older Persons)

NALHN offers a range of primary health care services across the northern metropolitan area of Adelaide, with a focus on providing preventive and health promoting programs in the community, and transition and hospital substitution and avoidance programs targeted at chronic disease and frail aged.

Clinical leadership of care systems is central to the current national and state wide health reforms. NALHN care delivery is configured within clinical divisions that are patient–focused, clinically led groupings of services. Clinical Divisions are responsible for managing service delivery activities across NALHN campuses and units, bringing together empowered experts to directly make relevant decisions.

# **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

**Approvals** 

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.

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I acknowledge that the role I currently occupy has the delegated authority to authorise this document.			
Name:	Role Title:		
Signature:	Date:		

## Role Acceptance

**Role Description Approval** 

### **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:	