

# POSITION DESCRIPTION

<b>Job Title</b>	Allied Health Professional <i>not 'Senior' at this level</i>	<b>Classification</b>	AHP2	<b>Position Number</b>	P52556.
<b>LHN</b>	Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network(FUNLHN)	<b>Term</b>	Casual]	<b>Position Created</b>	Insert date
<b>Area</b>	Regional	<b>FTE</b>	Full or part time hours)	<b>Last Updated</b>	26.08.2020
<b>Criminal History Clearance Requirements:</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Working with Children Check (WWCC) (DHS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NDIS Worker Screening Check (DHS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsupervised contact with vulnerable groups (NPC)					
<b>Immunisation Risk Category:</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Category A (direct contact with blood or body substances) <input type="checkbox"/> Category B (indirect contact with blood or body substances) <input type="checkbox"/> Category C (minimal patient contact)					

## Broad Purpose of the Position

The Regional Dietician applies clinical experience, increasingly generalist and / or specialist clinical knowledge and professional competence to plan, implement and evaluate a comprehensive and integrated range of services, appropriate to the needs of the local community. The Regional Dietician works under reduced clinical direction, and may contribute to the clinical supervision of less experienced allied health professionals, allied health assistants and students. As a member of a multi-professional team, including health professionals and service providers from other sectors, the Regional Dietician utilises a combination of preventative, early intervention, treatment / therapy and evaluation approaches

## Qualifications

Must hold a recognised qualification within a relevant Allied Health Profession, and be eligible for practicing membership of the relevant Professional Association. For those professions requiring Registration, all requirements to obtain and maintain current registration must be fulfilled. For self-regulated professions it is desirable to participate in the professional association accredited continuing professional development program.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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

FUNLHN welcomes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and values the expertise, cultural knowledge and life experiences they bring to the workplace. FUNLHN is a culturally inclusive work environment that is respectful of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture

## Partnering with Consumers

The Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network is committed to involving consumers, communities and carers in the planning, design and evaluation of our health services. We do this through (but not limited to) Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network Board Consumer and Community Engagement Committee, Health Advisory Councils, Community Network Register and with consumer representation on operational committees. Furthermore, advocacy and advice is sought as appropriate from specialist support group Experts by Experience and representatives for mental health, aged care, child and youth care, disability and other groups.

## Special Conditions

- A current driver's license is essential, as is a willingness to drive on country roads and travel in light air craft as required. Intra state travel will be required; interstate travel may be required.
- Flexibility and some out of hours' work may be required.
- 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.

## Key Relationships

- Receives line supervision from Clinical Senior Dietician
- Receives clinical supervision, advice and support from an experienced Senior Dietician under formal arrangement in accordance with the *SA Health Allied Health Clinical Support Framework*.
- May contribute to the supervision of less experienced professional officers, para-professional staff and students, under direction from the Clinical Senior Dietician
- Works within a multi-disciplinary team framework, in collaboration with other health professionals, service providers and the community
- May be required to temporarily fulfill a higher position, appropriate to the incumbent's skills and capacity

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ WWCCs must be renewed every 5 years thereafter from date of issue.</li> <li>▪ Will be required to comply with the requirements of the SA Health Procedure for Credentialing Allied Health and Scientific Health Professionals</li> <li>▪ Appointment is subject to immunisation risk category requirements (see page 1). There may be ongoing immunisation requirements that must be met.</li> </ul>	
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Key Result Areas	Generic Requirements	Specific or Local Requirements
1. Technical Skills and Application	1.1 Apply professional expertise, developing generalist / specialist knowledge, clinical competence and experience to provide professional services to client groups in circumstances requiring increasingly complex practice skills. 1.2 Exercise professional judgment in the selection and adaptation of established methods, procedures and techniques within the profession. 1.3 May provide a broad range of clinical and consultative services across a range of service settings, including one-on-one, group based and health promotion activities. 1.4 Manage and prioritise personal work load and support others in developing workload management plans, including in the allocation of team resources	
2. Personal and Professional Development	2.1 Work under reduced clinical supervision, and proactively draw on the support of experienced peers of diverse professional backgrounds, Clinical Seniors, Advanced Clinical Leads and / or managers when required. 2.2 Display a commitment to continuous personal and professional development by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Attending all mandatory training and actively pursuing other training and development as required to maintain currency of clinical knowledge</li> <li>b. Applying well-developed reflective practice skills to your own work, and supporting peers / students / supervised staff to develop reflective practice skills</li> <li>c. Utilising the support of mentors and peers</li> <li>d. Actively participating in the Professional Development and Review (PDR) process, including developing and pursuing a personal / professional development plan in consultation with your line manager / clinical supervisor</li> <li>e. May provide professional leadership in the relevant network, including facilitating access to training for professional staff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Receive clinical direction, advice, mentorship and support from Clinical Senior Dietitian</li> <li>▪ In collaboration with the Clinical Senior, Advanced Clinical Lead and your TEAM LEADER, develop a formal Clinical Supervision arrangement with suitably skilled and experienced PROFESSIONAL. Fulfill all obligations under this agreement, and review it annually.</li> <li>▪ Develop and maintain inter and intra-professional clinical networks within the Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network, actively sharing and seeking out knowledge of effective practice.</li> <li>▪ Participate in the SA Health Dietetics Network</li> <li>▪ Provide clinical support to less experienced professional staff in the FUNLHN / TEAM</li> <li>▪ Contribute to the supervision of Dietetics students on clinical placement]</li> </ul>

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	<p>2.3 May be required to contribute to clinical / professional supervision, support and oversight of AHP1 level staff, allied health assistants and profession-specific professional students or multi-disciplinary student teams.</p> <p>2.4 Develop, share and support your peers to gain knowledge of effective practice through research, evaluation of services and information sharing (e.g.: via professional networks and presenting papers for conferences and / or publishing)</p>	
3 Client / Customer Service	<p>3.1 Treat all clients with respect, be responsive to their needs, and act on opportunities to improve the quality of customer service in your operational area.</p> <p>3.2 Promote cultural safety by valuing and promoting the cultural needs of the community.</p> <p>3.3 Contribute to improvements in the patient-journey driven distribution of services and apply client-centered practice and community engagement principles in development and delivery of services; ensuring clients are meaningfully involved in all aspects of their care</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Support clients / careers / families across the Patient Journey, providing effective assessment and triage, timely referrals, accurate information, coordinated care and prompt follow up.</li> </ul>
4 Administration and Documentation	<p>4.1 Comply with organisational requirements for the accurate and timely completion of documentation and statistics.</p> <p>4.2 Contribute to the efficient and effective use of materials and resources.</p> <p>4.3 Prepare reports and / or recommendations to assist management decision making</p> <p>4.4 Appropriately identify, use and apply relevant policies, procedures, reporting and documentation systems.</p> <p>4.5 Competently utilise the Microsoft Office suite of software, Email and Internet in fulfilling the requirements of the role</p> <p>4.6 May be required to coordinate discrete projects and / or contribute to areas of policy that are considered to be complex, requiring discipline knowledge and experience, and which are undertaken under limited direction.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Contribute to the review, development and adaptation of clinical and administrative resources to support Dietetics Team.</li> <li>▪</li> </ul>
5 Teamwork and Communication	<p>5.1 Utilise professional knowledge and skills in contributing to research and / or service development activities at the local level and / or within your profession across FUNLHN; to support the effective, efficient, equitable distribution (according to need) and evidence-based nature of FUNLHN services.</p> <p>5.2 Promote service integration through the development of active collaborative partnership with relevant agencies and individuals.</p> <p>5.3 Work positively within a team, foster teamwork and support others to develop effective working relationships and achieve team goals</p> <p>5.4 Communicate and negotiate effectively (both verbally and in writing) with a diverse range of people including clients, the community, team members, management and other stakeholders</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Works as a member of the Allied Health multi-professional team, based in FUNLHN.</li> </ul>

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	5.5 Work in accordance with SA Health and FUNLHN's vision, mission, strategic priorities and values	
6 Continuous Improvement	<p>6.1 Contribute to quality improvement programs and other organisational activities required to meet service / accreditation standards, and support supervised staff / students to comply with requirements.</p> <p>6.2 Proactively seek opportunities to improve professional tasks and services, by monitoring service access, emerging trends and community needs, and contributing to ongoing evaluation of services.</p> <p>6.3 Seek client feedback on services and respond proactively to client complaints and feedback. As required, contribute to investigations of client complaints, with a view to informing systematic improvements in services.</p> <p>6.4 Contribute to discipline-specific and multi-professional research, service development, and advances of techniques used, through research (under direction), data analysis, evaluation of services and development of recommendations to assist Management decision making.</p> <p>6.5 Complying with the Code of Ethics for Public Sector Employees.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Contribute to the ongoing review, development and evaluation of the effectiveness of Dietetics services in FUNLHN</li> </ul>

## 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:

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*(In one paragraph describe the role of the Division/ Branch/Unit/ Team relevant to the role.)*

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## 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:**



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To apply for the position, you will need to provide:

- (1) A current Curriculum Vitae (CV), outlining your relevant qualifications, work experience and contact details of 3 professional referees
- (2) A cover letter, including:
  - Title of the position and vacancy reference number (from advertisement)
  - Outline of your reasons for applying for the position
  - Brief summary of your ability to fulfil the role:
    - Please address each of the 6 Key Result Areas (KRA) separately, using dot points. Refer to the table below for some suggestions of type of information you may like to include.
    - You do not need to address the selection criteria individually in your written application. They may be used to assess your suitability for the role during the merit-based selection process.
    - Keep it brief – no more than 2 pages

Please forward your application by the due date, as per the details outlined in the job advertisement.

<b>Key Result Area</b>	<b>Selection Criteria</b>
1. Technical Skills and Application	a) Your professional qualifications, professional association membership and registration status (if relevant) – <i>refer to page 1 for minimum qualification requirements</i> b) Broad professional experience <i>relevant to this role</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Outline scope and nature of previous professional roles, including experience working in rural and remote contexts</li> <li>▪ Previous involvement in service development, including research &amp; evaluation</li> <li>▪ Change management &amp; project management skills / experience</li> <li>▪ Competency in applying primary health care principles</li> </ul> c) Examples of other skills, knowledge or experiences that demonstrate your suitability for the role <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ creativity, adaptability, resourcefulness, prioritization &amp; problem solving skills</li> </ul>
2. Personal & professional development	a) Outline previous initiatives that demonstrate your commitment to reflective practice, and proactive development of self and others. E.g.: <i>relevant</i> additional professional development or qualifications b) Information about your leadership / management style and experience
3. Client / Customer Service	a) Knowledge of and commitment to FUNLHN services, priorities & strategic directions. b) Examples that demonstrate skills in community engagement, client-centered practice and cultural competency.
4. Administration & Documentation	a) Information about relevant skills, experience and training – including those related to data management, competent use of technology etc.
5. Teamwork and Communication	a) Examples of how you have contributed previously to service planning and development b) Outline your communication, team work and problem solving skills, with examples
6. Continuous Improvement	a) Examples of how you have contributed previously to quality improvement, evaluation, outcome measures and research