

SA Health Job Pack

Job Title	Generalist Speech Pathologist Candidate Pool – AHP1/AHP2		
Eligibility	Open to Everyone		
Job Number	866438		
Applications Closing Date	25 April 2025		
Region / Division	Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network		
Health Service	Country Health Connect		
Location	Various locations across the Murray Mallee region		
Classification	AHP1/AHP2		
Job Status	Ongoing and Temporary positions available, hours negotiable		
Salary	\$67,466 – \$82,359 p.a. (pro rata) – AHP1 \$86,950 – \$100,729 p.a. (pro rata) – AHP2		

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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:

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\boxtimes	Working with Children Check (WWCC) - DHS
\boxtimes	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Worker Check- DHS
\boxtimes	Unsupervised contact with Vulnerable groups- NPC
	Unsupervised contact with Aged Care Sector- DHS
	No contact with Vulnerable Groups - General Employment Probity Check - NPC
	mation is available on the SA Health careers website at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers - see mation, or by referring to the nominated contact person below.

Immunisation

Risk Category A (direct 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 A (direct contact with blood or body substances). <u>Please click here for further information on these requirements.</u>

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





Job Title	Speech Pathologist		Classification	AHP2		
LHN	LHN Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network					
Area	Area Country Health Connect, Murray Bridge or Riverland				Last Updated	Feb 2017
NDIS We		☑ DHS Working With Child☑ NDIS Worker Screening☑ NPC – Unsupervised co	Check	,		
Immunisation Risk Category:		□ Category A □ Category B □ Category C				

Broad Purpose of the Position

The Speech Pathologist 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 Speech Pathologist 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 Speech Pathologist utilises a combination of preventative, early intervention, treatment/ therapy and evaluation approaches.

Qualifications

Must hold a recognised qualification within Speech Pathology profession, and be eligible for full membership of Speech Pathology Australia (SPA).

As a self-regulated progression, it is desirable to participate in Speech Pathology Australia's Professional Self-Regulation (PSR) program.

Handling of Official Information

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White Ribbon

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Cultural Statement

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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.
- 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 or from an accredited CrimTrac Provider confirming the clearance is for the purpose of unsupervised contact with vulnerable groups.
- Prescribed positions under the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Act 2013 must obtain a satisfactory NDIS Worker Screening Check through the Department of Human Services (DHS) Screening Unit.
- NPCs must be renewed every 3 years thereafter from date of issue.
- WWCCs and NDIS Worker Screening Checks must be renewed every 5 years thereafter from date of issue.
- Will be required to comply with the requirements of the RMCLHN Procedure for Credentialling Allied Health and Scientific Health Professionals
- Appointment is subject to immunisation risk category requirements (see page 1). There may be ongoing immunisation requirements that must be met.

Key Relationships

- Receives line supervision from the Senior Manger, Speech Pathology
- Works under Clinical Supervision and direction from the Senior Manager Speech Pathology, in accordance with the *Allied Health Clinical Support Framework*.
- May contribute to the supervision of less experienced professional officers, paraprofessional staff, and students, under direction from the Clinical Senior
- 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

Key Result Areas	Generic Requirements	Specific or Local Requirements	
Technical Skills and Application	 1.1 Provide a broad range of clinical services, selecting, adopting and applying methods, procedures and standards which are generally well established and straight forward 1.2 Exercise professional judgment within prescribed areas, with support from a Clinical Senior to verify methods and results 1.3 Provide straight forward clinical services, including one-on-one, group and health promotion activities 1.4 Manage and prioritise personal workload 	 Provides a broad range of speech pathology services in various settings across the region, including acute, residential care & community. Provides a broad range of speech pathology services to CHAD, NDIA and aged care package clients Provides individual, group and population health services targeting at risk and priority clients and groups, in accordance with service eligibility and prioritisation criteria. 	

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2.	Personal and Professional Development	 2.1 Operate under direct supervision (which will decrease as experience increases), and draw on support from experienced peers of diverse professional backgrounds and /or Managers as required. 2.2 Display a commitment to continuous personal and professional development by: a. Attending all mandatory training and actively pursuing other training and development as required to maintain currency of clinical knowledge b. Applying reflective practice skills c. Utilising the support of mentors and peers d. Actively participating in the professional development and review (PDR) process 2.3 Contribute to the development of knowledge of effective practice through research, evaluation of services and information sharing with peers 2.4 With at least 12 months post-graduate experience, may be required to review aspects of the work of peers, provide professional advice to more recently employed allied health professionals, and contribute to the supervision of students / AH assistants. 	:	Receive clinical supervision, advice, mentorship and support from the Senior Manager, Speech Pathology Develop and maintain inter and intraprofessional clinical networks within the cluster, RMCLHN and South Australia, actively sharing and seeking out knowledge of effective practice. Participate in the Speech Pathology Network With experience, provide support to peers and contribute to the supervision of work experience students / allied health assistants Adopt a proactive approach to developing and maintaining contemporary knowledge and skills in speech pathology.
3	Client / Customer Service	 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. 3.2 Promote cultural safety by valuing & promoting the cultural needs of the community. 3.3 Apply client-centred practice and community engagement principles in the provision of services, ensuring clients are meaningfully involved in all aspects of their care 	•	Utilises service eligibility and prioritization frameworks to inform work plans and services in accordance with community needs.
4	Administration and Documentation	 4.1 Comply with organisational requirements for the accurate and timely completion of documentation and statistics. 4.2 Contribute to the efficient and effective use of materials and resources. 4.3 Prepare reports which incorporate recommendations on straight forward operations. 4.4 Appropriately identify, use and apply relevant policies, procedures, reporting and documentation systems. 4.5 Competently utilise the Microsoft Office suite of software, Email and Internet in fulfilling the requirements of the role 4.6 May be required to undertake projects or assignments of limited scope and complexity, or contribute to a minor phase of a broader / more complex project. 		Maintains appropriate statistics and records in accordance with RMCLHN requirements. Use the Safety Learning System (SLS) to report patient clinical risks and incidents. Assist the Senior Manager, Speech Pathology in the identification of needs and the planning and coordination of the Speech Pathology service for the region. Contribute to the effective functioning of the Speech Pathology department by assisting in the development and implementation of agreed referral procedures, policies and guidelines for service provision. Contribute to a high standard of service provision through participating in departmental quality assurance, continuing education and research activities.





5 Teamwork Communic	eation	5.1 5.2 5.3 5.4 5.5	Participate in service planning to improve the effectiveness, of distribution and evidence-based nature of RMCLHN services. Promote service integration through the development of active partnership with relevant agencies and individuals. Work positively within a team, develop effective working related constructively to achieving team goals. Communicate effectively with a range of people (both verball Work in accordance with SA Health and RMCLHN's vision, in priorities and values.)	tionships and contribute y and in writing)	•	Contributes constructively and actively as a member of the multi-disciplinary team. Actively participates in team meetings, other relevant staff meetings and other relevant organisational meetings as required.
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Approved by Authorised Officer			/	Accepted by Incumbent		/

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Job Title Speech Pathologist		Classification	AHP2
LHN Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network			
Area Country Health Connect, Murray Bridge or Riverland			

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- (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 the type of information you may like to include.
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2.	Personal & professional development	 a) Outline previous initiatives that demonstrate your commitment to reflective practice, and proactive development of self and others. May include reference to training or additional qualifications of relevance to this role. b) Demonstrated commitment to own professional development. 	
3.	Client / Customer Service	 a) Knowledge of RMCLHN services, priorities and strategic directions b) Previous experience & skills in community engagement, client-centred practice and cultural competency c) Knowledge of requirements relating to client confidentiality and client rights. 	
4.	a) Highlight relevantabille, experience or training Include reference to experience		
5.	Teamwork and Communication	 a) Outline your communication and team work skills, with examples b) Examples of your ability to contribute to an effective team, including working with diverse health professionals, the community and service providers from other sectors 	
6.	Continuous Improvement	a) Examples of how you have contributed previously to quality improvement, evaluation and research or demonstrated understanding of how this role would contribute to continuous improvement	





Job Title	Speech Pathologist		Classification	AHP1		
LHN	Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network					
Area	Country Health Connect- Murray	Bridge or Riverland			Last Updated	Jan 2024
Criminal History Clearance Requirements: ☐ DHS Working With Child ☐ NDIS Worker Screening ☐ NPC – Unsupervised co		Check	•			
Immunisation Risk Category:						

Broad Purpose of the Position

Under the direct supervision of the Senior Manager, Speech Pathology, the Speech Pathologist will contribute to the delivery of a comprehensive and integrated range of health services, appropriate to the needs of the local community. To achieve this, the Speech Pathologist works as a member of a multi- professional team, including health professionals and service providers from other sectors, and utilises a combination of preventative, early intervention, treatment / therapy and evaluation approaches

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Key Relationships

- Receives line supervision from Senior Manager Speech Pathology
- Works under Clinical Supervision and direction from the Senior Manager Speech Pathology, in accordance with the Allied Health Clinical Support Framework.
- Draws on multi-professional clinical networks for support in specialty areas of service delivery
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6	Continuous Improvement	6.1 6.2 6.3 6.4	Contribute to quality improvement programs and other organisational activities required to meet service / accreditation standards. Contribute to the ongoing monitoring, evaluation and review of services. Proactively respond to client complaints and feedback. Contribute to discipline-specific and trans-professional research and service development, through data collection, collation, analysis and the development of recommendations on basic operations. Complying with the Code of Ethics for Public Sector Employees.		•	Contribute to the ongoing review, development and evaluation of the effectiveness of Speech Pathology services.
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Area	Country Health Connect- Murray Bridge or Riverland		

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2.	Personal & professional development	 a) Outline previous initiatives that demonstrate your commitment to reflective practice, an proactive development of self and others. May include reference to training or additional qualifications of relevance to this role. b) Demonstrated commitment to own professional development. 	
3.	Client / Customer Service	 a) Knowledge of RMC services, priorities and strategic directions b) Previous experience & skills in community engagement, client-centred practice and cultural competency c) Knowledge of requirements relating to client confidentiality and client rights. 	
4.	Administration & Documentation	 a) Highlight relevant skills, experience or training. Include reference to specific systems or software programs if relevant. 	
5.	Teamwork and Communication	 a) Outline your communication and team work skills, with examples b) Examples of your ability to contribute to an effective team, including working with diverse health professionals, the community and service providers from other sectors 	
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