

Nursing and Midwifery Frequently Asked Questions

Who can apply?

We are inviting all nurses and midwives who are not already working in SA Health to register their interest to work in existing or newly set up facilities, to provide and support the care that's required to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic across South Australia. There will be multiple positions available for:

- > Enrolled nurses
- > Registered nurses
- > Registered midwives
- Assistants in Nursing (2nd and 3rd year nursing/midwifery students currently enrolled in an undergraduate Bachelor of nursing/midwifery program)

Enrolled nurses, registered nurses and registered midwives must either hold current registration or be eligible for registration. For more information about registration, please visit the Nursing. Registration is not required for Assistants in Nursing.

What type of roles will be available?

The type of roles available will depend on the impact COVID-19 has on the public health system. When you apply, you will be asked to indicate your preferred work location/s (from our different metropolitan health services and regional health services across South Australia) and also to list any additional skills/qualifications/relevant experience that you have.

Where will the roles be working?

There will be various opportunities across the different Local Health Networks, including specialty areas. The location of roles will be dependent on demand and the impact that COVID-19 has on our healthcare services.

Potential locations could include, but are not limited to:

- > All SA Health hospitals and health services (metropolitan and regional)
- > Adelaide Airport screening of identified incoming travellers
- > SA Health Aged Care facilities
- > Hospital in the Home and community based nursing/midwifery services to support discharged patients
- > Intensive and Critical Care services

How do I apply?

Applications will only be accepted online.

You can apply via the COVID-19 SA Health Recruitment Drive

What are the hours of work?

There will be a number of different shifts/hours available. There will be flexibility in rostering to match applicant availability and service requirements.



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I have specific skills that I believe will help, how can I let you know?

If you have specific qualifications, experience and/or skills, you can enter the details as part of your online application.

I want to apply for a TPPP for 2021, do I need to apply separately or will this application cover it?

This initiative is a response to an exceptional public health situation with the aim of increasing the available nursing/midwifery workforce. It is not a standard recruitment process, nor does it replace the standard recruitment process for TPPP.

Will I have to attend an interview?

A short telephone interview will be arranged to make sure we match applicants with appropriate roles. This will be an opportunity for you to let us know your roster requirements and where you would be willing to work.

Will I have to fulfil immunisation requirements?

Yes. As a condition of employment, you will be required to provide confirmation of immunisation status prior to commencement in any healthcare worker positions in SA Health. Please visit the SA Health website for more information about Health Care Worker immunisation requirements.

Will I have to have a Criminal History clearance?

Yes. SA Health must comply with legislation regarding screening of workers for their suitability to work within SA Health.

To ensure this does not delay your contribution to this important initiative, if you don't have a current clearance, you can apply through an online, <u>accredited provider</u>. You will not be able to commence a position with SA Health until your clearance has been attained.

I have not heard anything from you yet? Why not?

You will receive an email confirming that we have received your application. Shortlisting will be prioritised dependent on the clinical and service needs at the time. As you can appreciate, this is a busy time for the health services so we ask for your continued patience and understanding in this regard.

I want to help but I don't want to work with COVID-19 patients, can I work in a different area?

While this initiative is being undertaken to support the management of COVID-19, there will be a number of roles and locations to support the Local Health Networks and their health services. If you do not want to work in certain locations you can advise us during your telephone interview.



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Where can I find out more about COVID-19?

For the latest and most credible COVID-19 information and updates, you can visit the below trusted websites:

- > www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID2019
- > www.health.gov.au
- > www.smartraveller.gov.au
- > www.healthdirect.gov.au

I've got a question that wasn't answered here. Who can I ask?

If you have a question not answered here, please submit your question via email to: Nursing and Midwifery Office

For more information

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