

# **SA Health Job Pack**

Job Title	Senior Clinical / Health Psychologist
Job Number	669543
Applications Closing Date	23/11/18
Region / Division	Central Adelaide Local Health Network
Health Service	Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre
Location	Northfield
Classification	Multiclass – AHP-2 / AHP-3
Job Status	Part-time 18.75 h/w Temporary up to 26/02/2019
Indicative Total Remuneration*	AHP-2 \$88,075 / \$102,504 - AHP-3 \$104,506 / \$112,311

# **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:
□ Vulnerable Person-Related Employment Screening - NPC
☐ 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:	Clinical / Health Psychologist		
Classification Code:	AHP2; Position Number: M41446		
LHN/ HN/ SAAS/ DHW:	Central Adelaide Local Health Network (LHN)		
Hospital/ Service/ Cluster	Royal Adelaide Hospital		
Division:	Complex Medicine - Rehabilitation		
Department/Section / Unit/ Ward:	South Australia Brain Injury Rehabilitation Service (SABIRS)		
	-Brain Injury Rehabilitation Community and Home (BIRCH)		
Role reports to:	Principal Clinician, Psychology SABIRS		
Role Created/ Reviewed Date:	August 2018		
Criminal History Clearance Requirements:	☐ Aged (NPC) ☐ Child- Prescribed (DCSI) ☐ Vulnerable (NPC) ☐ General Probity (NPC)		

## **ROLE CONTEXT**

### **Primary Objective(s) of role:**

The Clinical / Health Psychologist may work across SABIRS but primarily is responsible for the provision and management of specialised, high quality Clinical Psychology services delivered within BIRCH, SABIRS by

- Providing effective and efficient clinical services to clients with a brain injury and their families,
- Working with limited supervision,
- Working effectively and cooperatively within an interdisciplinary team,
- Using best practice rehabilitation principles and evidence-based interventions.

The incumbent also assists the Program Manager SABIRS and Principal Clinician, Psychology SABIRS in the management of the BIRCH by representing the discipline in service development as requested.

## **Direct Reports:**

- Reports to the Program Manager SABIRS for overall service provision.
- Reports to Principal Clinician, Psychology for discipline-specific and professional issues.
- Provides clinical supervision to allied health assistant staff and students as appropriate within disciplinespecific regulations / standards.

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

### Internal

The incumbent:

- Reports to the Program Manager SABIRS for overall service provision and to the Principal Clinician, Psychology for discipline-specific and professional issues.
- Maintains close professional relationships with other members of the interdisciplinary team.

## External

- Maintains a close liaison and works collaboratively with clinical staff of referring units and departments, government and non-government agencies who provide services to the BIRCH client group.
- Develops and maintains networks with relevant university staff and provides advisory, consultative support to other services such as Country Health SA, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion, Mental Health and Drug and Alcohol Services SA.

## **Challenges associated with Role:**

Major challenges currently associated with the role include:

- Management of a client group with complex health, cognitive and psychosocial presentations.
- Management of clinical responsibilities within a specialist state-wide rehabilitation service and dynamic health environment.

<b>Delegations:</b>				
Delegated Level Nil in accordance with CALHN's Delegation of Authority Document				
Staff supervised:	Direct	0	Indirect	as required

# **Key Result Area and Responsibilities**

Key Result Areas	Major Responsibilities
Service Delivery	<ul> <li>Providing best practice, effective, efficient, client-centred, goal directed and innovative Clinical Psychology services that are evidenced-based and evaluated as part of an interdisciplinary team.</li> <li>Ensuring Clinical Psychology services comply with the legal, ethical and clinical standards of Clinical Psychology and safe work practice.</li> <li>Managing a specialised complex caseload.</li> <li>Identifying major trends and incorporating evidence and/or best practice into the operation of the service.</li> <li>Providing advice and consultancy to management, clinical staff and professional networks including hospitals, units/departments and community agencies on matters of Clinical Psychology, rehabilitation, disability and acquired brain injury.</li> <li>Representing Clinical Psychology or the broader team on relevant committees and working groups.</li> </ul>
Interdisciplinary Practice	<ul> <li>Coordinating therapy strategies with clients, the interdisciplinary team, family and significant others.</li> <li>Liaising with other members of the professional team and significant others in matters pertaining to individual clients to ensure the psychology input is client-centred, taking into account the client's cultural background and beliefs</li> <li>Planning and contributing to team discharge planning with client/family and liaising with external agencies as required.</li> </ul>
Training and Development	<ul> <li>Contributing to psychology continuing professional development and performance review programmes of BIRS.</li> <li>Participating in learning and professional development opportunities relevant to brain injury.</li> <li>Actively participating in personal and professional development through educational programs and accessing workshops, course and conferences and sharing knowledge gain with others.</li> <li>Effectively learning and developing according to the needs of the role.</li> </ul>
Monitoring and Reporting  Quality Improvement,	<ul> <li>Completing all clinical and performance records in an accurate and timely manner.</li> <li>Contributing to the monitoring, review and evaluating compliance with standards of care, quality and safety performance and client journey outcomes.</li> <li>Assist with supervising Psychology students as required.</li> </ul>
Research and Education	<ul> <li>Coordinating and implementing clinical research as required.</li> </ul>
Contributing to the development and innovation by:	<ul> <li>Participating and assisting with the review of discipline specific policies and procedures in collaboration with the Senior Clinical Psychologist BIRCH and Principal Clinician, Psychology, SABIRS.</li> <li>Ensuring best practice is incorporated into psychology management for clients of BIRCH.</li> <li>Representing the discipline at a service level as requested.</li> <li>Liaising with other clinicians and providing advice around equipment prescription and ongoing rehabilitation and support needs.</li> <li>Participating in working parties, committees and other relevant</li> </ul>

	meetings.
Equal Opportunity	<ul> <li>Maintaining knowledge of and adhering to the principles and standards of Equal Employment Opportunity Legislation.</li> <li>Ensuring all employees in the work place are treated fairly and in an equitable manner</li> <li>Assisting in identifying and eliminating discrimination and, bullying and harassment.</li> </ul>
Safe and Healthy work environment for self and others by:	<ul> <li>Carry out responsibilities as detailed in organisational work health, safety and injury management (WHS&amp;IM) policies and procedures.</li> <li>Implementing and monitoring relevant WHS&amp;IM policies and procedures within their work area.</li> <li>Identifying work hazards, assessing risks and implementing, monitoring and maintaining hazard control measures in consultation with staff and relevant committees.</li> <li>Participating in WHS&amp;IM planning.</li> <li>Providing staff with the necessary information, instruction, training and supervision to effectively and safely carry out their work.</li> <li>Maintaining relevant WHS&amp;IM documentation.</li> <li>Consulting with health and safety representatives, committees and staff on changes to the workplace, which have the potential to impact on health and safety.</li> </ul>

# Knowledge, Skills and Experience

### ESSENTIAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

## **Educational/Vocational Qualifications**

- Must hold an appropriate degree (Masters Degree in Clinical Psychology or Health Psychology) or equivalent qualification recognised by the Psychology Board of Australia (PsyBA).
- Must hold general registration with the PsyBA.

## Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- Well-developed professional skills relevant to discipline (psychology) practice.
- Excellent verbal and written communication and interpersonal skills.
- Highly developed teamwork skills with the ability to foster team work and co-operation between and across multiple disciplines and within teams of diverse membership.
- A demonstrated commitment to clinical excellence and on-going personal and professional development.
- A broad understanding of the needs of individuals with a range of disabilities.
- A broad understanding of the needs of individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.
- Flexibility in adapting to change.
- Well-developed skills in conflict resolution and negotiation.
- An ability to manage the legislative requirements of the Work Health Safety Act 2012 and the Return to Work Act 2014, and apply a risk management approach that aligns to AS/NZS 31000:2009 Risk Management – Principles and Guidelines.

## **Experience**

- Experience subsequent to gaining a Master's degree in Clinical or Health Psychology working as a Psychologist/Clinical Psychologist/Health Psychologist.
- Experience working with clients with complex needs following a brain injury.
- Experience working in a team setting

## Knowledge

- Knowledge of best practice principles in brain injury rehabilitation.
- Knowledge of relevant community services.

#### **DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS**

## **Educational/Vocational Qualifications**

- Endorsement in the area of Clinical and/or Health Psychology as recognised by the PsyBA.
- Hold approved supervisor status with the PsyBA.
- · Member of APS.
- Completed or presently undertaking further education in the area of neurological rehabilitation.

## Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- Well-developed clinical rehabilitation skills in acquired brain injury.
- Ability to prioritise a varying caseload.
- Ability to lead and facilitate team work.
- A strong commitment to client- directed services delivery.
- Participation in relevant professional organisations.

## **Experience**

- Experience working in a specialist acquired brain injury rehabilitation setting.
- Research experience in a related field.
- Experience in working in an inter-disciplinary setting.

## **Special Conditions:**

- 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 Criminal and Relevant History Screening.
- Prescribed Positions under the Children's Protection Act (1993) must obtain a satisfactory Criminal and Relevant History 'child-related' employment screening through the Screening and Licensing Unit, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion.
- Criminal and Relevant History Screening must be renewed every 3 years thereafter from date of issue for 'Prescribed Positions' under the *Children's Protection Act 1993* or 'Approved Aged Care Provider Positions' as defined under the *Accountability Principles 2014* 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.
- Some out of hours work may be required.
- The incumbent is required to be in possession of a current unencumbered SA Drivers Licence and be willing to drive (which may include country travel) a government plated vehicle when employed in a community setting.
- The incumbent will be required to work off site, travel between locations and work within the client's own environment within the metropolitan region.
- The incumbent may be required to undertake a health assessment prior to commencement.
- The incumbent may be required to work on weekends as part of a 7 day roster.

#### **General Requirements:**

Managers and staff are required to work in accordance with the Code of Ethics for South Australian Public Sector, Directives, Determinations and Guidelines, 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.
- Meet immunisation requirements as outlined by the Immunisation for Health Care Workers in South Australia Policy Directive.
- 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)
- Information Privacy Principles Instruction
- Relevant Awards, Enterprise Agreements, Public Sector Act 2009, Health Care Act 2008 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.

The SA Health workforce contributes to the safety and quality of patient care by adhering to the South Australian Charter of Health Care Rights, understanding the intent of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and participating in quality improvement activities as necessary.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **Resilience:**

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

# **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 Wellbeing. The Department for Health and Wellbeing is an administrative unit under the Public Sector Act 2009.

The legal entities include but are not limited to the Central Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Northern Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Southern Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Women's and Children's Health Network Inc., Country Health SA Local Health Network Inc. and SA Ambulance Service Inc.

#### 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:**

### South Australian Brain Injury Rehabilitation Services (SA BIRS)

The South Australian Brain Injury Rehabilitation Services is a state wide service providing rehabilitation services for people suffering traumatic or acquired brain injury. Clients of the service have complex physical, cognitive, perceptual, communication, social and behavioural issues frequently compounded by mental and health and substance abuses. In addition SA BIRS provides consultative and specialist support to other therapists and services relating to acquired and traumatic brain injury. Its programs include;

## **Brain Injury Rehabilitation Community & Home (BIRCH)**

BIRCH is a specialised interdisciplinary team that provides rehabilitation for adults with an acquired brain injury in a community setting. Clients of SABIRS have complex physical, emotional, cognitive, perceptual, communication, social and/or behavioural issues frequently compounded by medical, mental health and substance abuse difficulties. The BIRCH service specialises in providing skilled management of this highly complex group. In addition, BIRCH provides consultative and specialist support to other therapists and services relating to Acquired Brain Injury Rehabilitation.

#### **Brain Injury Rehabilitation Unit (BIRU)**

The Brain Injury Rehabilitation Unit is a designated post-acute 28 bed inpatient rehabilitation ward for clients with a traumatic or acquired brain injury with complex physical, emotional, cognitive, perceptual, communication social and/or behavioural needs. BIRU provides skilled management to this highly complex group through an interdisciplinary approach. BIRU is located at Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre.

#### **Concussion Clinic**

Concussion Clinic provides advice and support to clients who are experiencing ongoing symptoms following a concussion or mild traumatic brain injury. A trans-disciplinary team provides assessment and gives education/advice/support. One or two additional follow-up therapy sessions may be provided to further assist with applying cognitive strategies, structuring and pacing activities and monitoring progress. If additional support is required, referrals to other agencies may be arranged.

#### **Spasticity Clinic**

Spasticity Clinic is a specialised interdisciplinary team providing services to clients with severe neurological motor control issues limiting daily function.

## **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.

## **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 understood the responsibilities associated with role, the organisational context and the values of SA Health as outlined within this document

Date:

#### Version control and change history

Version	Date from	Date to	Amendment
V1	10/02/17	09/04/17	Original version.
V2	10/04/17	04/07/17	Safety & Quality statement in General Requirements.
V3	04/07/17	10/07/2018	Minor formatting with order of information amended.
V4	11/07/2018		Updated legal entities for Minister and Department title on Page 7. Updated Immunisation Guidelines to Policy Directive under general requirements.



## **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

Role Title:	Senior Clinical / Health Psychologist		
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Classification Code:	AHP3; Position Number: M41446		
LHN/ HN/ SAAS/ DHW:	Central Adelaide Local Health Network (LHN)		
Hospital/ Service/ Cluster	Royal Adelaide Hospital		
Division:	Complex Medicine – Rehabilitation		
Department/Section / Unit/ Ward:	South Australia Brain Injury Rehabilitation Service (SABIRS)		
	Brain Injury Rehabilitation Community and Home (North)		
Role reports to:	Program Manager SABIRS		
	Principal Clinician, Psychology SABIRS		
Role Created/ Reviewed Date:	August 2018		
Criminal History Clearance	Aged (NPC)		
Requirements:	Child- Prescribed (DCSI)		
Trequirements.	Vulnerable (NPC)		
	General Probity (NPC)		

## **ROLE CONTEXT**

#### **Primary Objective(s) of role:**

The Senior Clinical/ Health Psychologist BIRCH may work across SABIRS but is primarily responsible for the provision and management of specialised, high quality, Clinical Psychology services delivered within BIRCH (NORTH) by

- Managing and evaluating best practice,
- Maintaining high level clinical standards,
- Implementing innovative clinical practices.

The incumbent also assists the Program Manager SABIRS and Principal Clinician, Psychology SABIRS in the management of the SABIRS by

- Managing human and physical resources,
- Providing advice and consultancy to management and professional networks,
- Providing clinical and professional leadership to other Clinical / Health Psychologists.

### **Direct Reports:**

- Reports to the Program Manager SABIRS for overall service provision.
- Reports to Principal Clinician, Psychology for discipline-specific and professional issues.
- Provides clinical supervision to other members of Clinical / Health Psychology staff and students as appropriate within discipline-specific regulations / standards.

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

### Internal

#### The incumbent:

- Reports to the Program Manager SABIRS for overall service provision and to the Principal Clinician, Psychology for discipline-specific and professional issues.
- Has responsibility for coordinating and leading BIRCH (NORTH) Clinical Psychology services and providing professional and clinical leadership to Clinical /Health Psychologists across SABIRS including resource and performance management.
- Maintains close professional relationships with other members of the interdisciplinary team.

#### External

- Maintains a close liaison and works collaboratively with clinical staff of referring units and departments, government and non-government agencies who provide services to the SABIRS client group.
- Develops and maintains networks with relevant university staff and provides advisory, consultative support to other services such as Country Health SA, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion, Mental Health and Drug and Alcohol Services SA.

#### Challenges associated with Role:

Major challenges currently associated with the role include:

- Management of a client group with complex health, cognitive, behavioural and psychosocial presentations.
- Management of clinical and leadership responsibilities within a specialist statewide rehabilitation service and dynamic health environment.

#### **Delegations:**

Delegated Level Nil in accordance with CALHN's Delegation of Authority Document:

Staff Supervised Directly Indirectly

# **Key Result Area and Responsibilities**

Key Result Areas	Major Responsibilities		
Contributes to the service	Reviewing practices and procedures to guide recommendations for service development.  Providing and procedures to guide recommendations for service development.		
development and	Providing advice and recommendations to the Program Manager SABIRS and Principal Clinician, Psychology related to service		
innovation by	demands, client needs and developments in relevant clinical fields.		
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	• Providing professional and clinical supervision to Clinical / Health Psychologist and students within BIRCH.		
	• Providing operational oversight of staffing arrangements, equipment and facilities.		
Leadership and Supervision of the	• Acting as a role model to develop a culture of accountability, professionalism, innovation and reflective practice.		
Discipline	• Providing leadership and advice on service issues, priorities, goals and targets.		
	Participating in recruitment and retention, role design and workforce		
	development in collaboration with the Principal Clinician, Psychology		
	and Program Manager SABIRS.		
	Providing best practice, effective, efficient, client-centred, goal-      Client-Republic to the second secon		
	directed and innovative Clinical Psychology services that are		
	<ul> <li>evidenced-based and evaluated as part of an interdisciplinary team.</li> <li>Ensuring Clinical Psychology services comply with the legal, ethical</li> </ul>		
	and clinical standards of Clinical Psychology and safe work		
	practice.		
	Managing workload allocation and the co-ordination of Clinical		
	Psychology clinical operations.		
Service Delivery	Identifying major trends and incorporating evidence and/or best		
	practice into the operation of the service.		
	Managing a specialised complex caseload.		
	• Providing advice and consultancy to management, clinical staff and		
	professional networks including hospitals, units/departments and community agencies on matters of Clinical Psychology, rehabilitation,		
	disability and acquired brain injury.		
	Representing Clinical Psychology or the broader team on relevant		
	committees and working groups		
	Assisting the Principal Clinician, Psychology in providing leadership to		
	the discipline in best practice, in interdisciplinary management and		
Interdisciplinary Practice	development of the service within BIRCH.		
and Education	Assisting the Principal Clinician, Psychology in providing leadership to  the dissipling in intentional leadership and applies of the dissipline in intention and applies of the dissipline in the dissipline		
	<ul> <li>the discipline in interdisciplinary work, education and service delivery.</li> <li>Acting as a consultant to other members of the team in discipline</li> </ul>		
	specific clinical issues.		
	Identifying the educational need of discipline staff through performance		
	and service review.		
Training and Development	Facilitating the personal and professional development of staff or the		
	discipline through educational programs and access to workshops,		
	courses and conferences.		
	Maintaining integrity and reporting mechanisms which support the		
N 4 . ID 4	evaluation of clinical services.		
Monitoring and Reporting	Monitoring service delivery against agreed Clinical Psychology and     argenizational key performance indicators and agreements.		
	organisational key performance indicators and agreements.		
	Maintaining data activity reports and business information systems		

	for the Clinical Psychology services of BIRCH.	
Quality Improvement Research and Teaching	<ul> <li>Managing the development, implementation and reporting of quality improvement activities.</li> <li>Co-ordinating team and discipline-specific quality improvement activities.</li> <li>Developing and maintaining a program that supports quality undergraduate and postgraduate student education as appropriate to the discipline.</li> <li>Providing education about brain injury within and external to the service.</li> <li>Undertaking and contributing to the body of clinical psychology and brain injury research.</li> </ul>	
Equal Opportunity	<ul> <li>Ensures employees are recruited, selected, trained, transferred and promoted solely on the basis of merit without regard to age, marital status, physical disability, intellectual impairment, pregnancy, race, sex or sexuality;</li> <li>Ensures all employees in the workplace are treated in a fair and equitable manner.</li> <li>Identifies and eliminates discrimination, bullying and harassment in the workplace.</li> </ul>	
Work Health and Safety	Carrying out responsibilities as detailed in organisational work health, safety and injury management (WHS&IM) policies and procedures.  Implementing and monitoring relevant WHS&IM policies and procedures within their work area.  Identifying work hazards, assessing risks and implementing, monitoring and maintaining hazard control measures in consultation with staff and relevant committees.  Participating in WHS&IM planning.  Providing staff with access to the necessary information, instruction, training and supervision to effectively and safely carry out their work.  Maintaining relevant WHS&IM documentation.  Consulting with health and safety representatives, committees and staff on changes to the workplace, which have the potential to impact on health and safety.	

# Knowledge, Skills and Experience

## **ESSENTIAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

## **Educational/Vocational Qualifications:**

- Must hold an appropriate degree (Master's Degree in Clinical or Health Psychology) or equivalent qualification recognised by the Psychology Board of Australia (PsyBA).
- Must hold general registration with the PsyBA and be endorsed by Clinical and/or Health Psychology area of practice.
- Must hold approved supervisor status with the PsyBA at all levels of supervision.

## Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- Advanced level professional skills relevant to discipline practice.
- High level clinical skills in delivering services for clients with acquired brain injury / neurological conditions.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Highly developed teamwork skills with the ability to lead and foster team work and co-operation between and across multiple disciplines and within teams of diverse membership.
- A demonstrated commitment to clinical excellence and continuous improvement.
- A broad understanding of the needs of individuals with a range of disabilities.
- A broad understanding of the needs of individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.
- Flexibility in adapting to change.
- Well-developed skills in conflict resolution and negotiation.
- An ability to manage the legislative requirements of the Work Health Safety Act 2012 and the Return to Work Act 2014, and apply a risk management approach that aligns to AS/NZS 31000:2009 Risk Management – Principles and Guidelines.

## **Experience:**

- Significant experience subsequent to gaining a Master's degree in Clinical and/or Health Psychologist working in the profession as a Psychologist.
- Experience in working with clients with complex needs following a brain injury.
- Experience in clinical supervision of staff and/or students.
- Demonstrated leadership within a project, discipline or service.
- Experience in evaluation and quality improvement.

#### **Knowledge:**

- Knowledge of best practice principles.
- Knowledge of relevant community services.
- Broad knowledge of principles of brain injury rehabilitation.

## **DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS**

## **Educational/Vocational Qualifications:**

- Post graduate qualifications in a relevant discipline or field.
- Post graduate qualifications in research.
- Further training in a relevant area of clinical or professional practice.

## Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

• Skills in strategic planning, supporting change and innovative practice.

#### **Experience:**

- Experience working within a specialist rehabilitation setting.
- Research experience in a related field.
- Extensive experience in supervision and staff management.

#### **Special Conditions:**

- 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 Criminal and Relevant History Screening.
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- 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.
- The incumbent is required to be in possession of a current unencumbered SA drivers Licence, be willing to drive (which may include Country travel) a government plated vehicle.
- The incumbent is required to work off site, travel between locations and work within the client's own home environment within the metropolitan region.
- The incumbent may be required to undertake a health assessment prior to commencement.
- The incumbent may be required to work on weekends as part of a 7 day roster.

#### **General Requirements:**

Managers and staff are required to work in accordance with the Code of Ethics for South Australian Public Sector, Directives, Determinations and Guidelines, 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.
- Meet immunisation requirements as outlined by the Immunisation for Health Care Workers in South Australia Policy Directive.
- 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)
- Information Privacy Principles Instruction
- Relevant Awards, Enterprise Agreements, Public Sector Act 2009, Health Care Act 2008 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.

The SA Health workforce contributes to the safety and quality of patient care by adhering to the South Australian Charter of Health Care Rights, understanding the intent of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and participating in quality improvement activities as necessary.

### **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.

### **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.

#### Resilience:

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

## **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 Wellbeing. The Department for Health and Wellbeing is an administrative unit under the Public Sector Act 2009.

The legal entities include but are not limited to the Central Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Northern Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Southern Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Women's and Children's Health Network Inc., Country Health SA Local Health Network Inc. and SA Ambulance Service Inc.

#### **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:**

## South Australian Brain Injury Rehabilitation Services (SA BIRS)

The South Australian Brain Injury Rehabilitation Services is a state wide service providing rehabilitation services for people suffering traumatic or acquired brain injury. Clients of the service have complex physical, cognitive, perceptual, communication, social and behavioural issues frequently compounded by mental and health and substance abuses. In addition SA BIRS provides consultative and specialist support to other therapists and services relating to acquired and traumatic brain injury. Its programs include;

**Brain Injury Rehabilitation Unit (BIRU):** The Brain Injury Rehabilitation Unit is a designated post-acute 28 bed inpatient rehabilitation ward for clients with a traumatic or acquired brain injury with complex physical, cognitive, communication or behavioural needs. BIRU provides skilled management to this highly complex group through an interdisciplinary approach. BIRU is located at Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre.

**Brain Injury Rehabilitation Community & Home (BIRCH):** BIRCH is a specialised interdisciplinary team that provides rehabilitation for adults with an acquired brain injury in a community setting. Clients of SABIRS have complex physical, perceptual, social and behavioural issues frequently compounded by mental health and substance abuse. The BIRCH service specialises in providing skilled management of this highly complex group. In addition, BIRCH provides consultative and specialist support to other therapists and services relating to Acquired Brain Injury Rehabilitation.

**Concussion Clinic:** Concussion Clinic provides advice and support to clients who are experiencing ongoing symptoms following a concussion or mild traumatic brain injury. A trans-disciplinary team provides assessment and gives education/advice/support. One or two additional follow-up therapy sessions may be provided to further assist with applying cognitive strategies, structuring and pacing activities and monitoring progress. If additional support is required, referrals to other agencies may be arranged.

**Spasticity Clinic:** Spasticity Clinic is a specialised interdisciplinary team providing services to clients with severe neurological motor control issues limiting daily function.

## **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.

# **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 understood the responsibilities associated with role, the organisational context and the values of SA Health as outlined within this document

Name:	Signature:	Date:

#### Version control and change history

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