

# SA Health Job Pack

Job Title	Associate Nurse Unit Manager - Adult Mental Health - Playford
Job Number	686114
Applications Closing Date	22 February 2019
Region / Division	Northern Adelaide Local Health Network
Health Service	Mental Health Services
Location	Salisbury
Classification	RN/M2A
Job Status	Temporary Part-Time – 19 hours per week, up to the 30 June 2020
Indicative Total Remuneration*	\$103,213 - \$112,041 p.a. (pro-rata)

# **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:

- Child Related Employment Screening DCSI
- 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 <u>www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers</u> - 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



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## **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

Role Title:	Associate Mental Health Nurse Unit Manager Community	
Classification Code:	Registered Nurse Level 2	
LHN/ HN/ SAAS/ DHA:	SA Health NALHN	
Hospital/ Service/ Cluster	Adult Service	
Division:	Division: NALHN Adult Mental Health Service	
Department/Section / Unit/ Ward:	Community Teams	
Role reports to:	Team Manager	
Role Created/ Reviewed Date:	March 2017	
Criminal History Clearance Requirements:	<ul> <li>Aged (NPC)</li> <li>Child- Prescribed (DCSI)</li> <li>Vulnerable (NPC)</li> <li>General Probity (NPC)</li> </ul>	

## **ROLE CONTEXT**

## Primary Objective(s) of role:

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

The Associate Nurse Unit Manager position when required provides specific support to the Team Manager in the Community Team.

## SUMMARY OF THE BROAD PURPOSE OF THE POSITION and its responsibilities/duties

The Associate Nurse Unit Manager provides mental health nursing services in primary health, secondary, tertiary or quaternary service settings.

The Associate Nurse Unit Manager consolidates knowledge and skills and develops in capability through continuous professional development and experience.

The Associate Nurse Unit Manager accepts accountability of own standards of mental health nursing care and for activities delegated to others.

Associate Nurse Unit Manager are appointed through a merit based selection process.

#### Direct Reports:

Team Manager L3 or L4

#### Key Relationships/ Interactions:

Internal

- > The Associate Nurse Unit Manager maintains a close working relationship Clinical Nurse (Level 2) and supports the role of thee Nursing Unit Manager.
- > Maintains cooperative and productive working relationships within all members of the health care team.
- > Supports and works collaboratively with less experienced members of the nursing team.

External

> Maintains relationships with non-government organisations or other government organisations.

#### Challenges associated with Role:

Major challenges currently associated with the role include:

- > Keeping up to date with, implementing and monitoring evidence based practice and quality management initiatives consistent with organisational policies
- > Dealing appropriately and relevantly with children, youth, women and their families where there are multiple complexities, diverse cultural backgrounds and expectations of clients
- > Accepting responsibility for the maintenance of own knowledge and professional competence and contemporary practices.

## **Cultural Commitment:**

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

#### Delegations:

NIL

## Resilience:

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

## Performance Development

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

#### General Requirements:

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

Managers and staff are required to work in accordance with the Code of Ethics for South Australian Public Sector, Policies and Procedures and legislative requirements including but not limited to:

- > Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA) and when relevant WHS Defined Officers must meet due diligence requirements.
- > Return to Work Act 2014 (SA), facilitating the recovery, maintenance or early return to work of employees with work related injury / illness.
- > Meet immunisation requirements as outlined by the *Immunisation Guidelines for Health Care Workers in South Australia 2014.*
- > Equal Employment Opportunities (including prevention of bullying, harassment and intimidation).
- > Children's Protection Act 1993 (Cth) 'Notification of Abuse or Neglect'.
- > Disability Discrimination.
- > Independent Commissioner Against Corruption Act 2012 (SA)
- > SA Information Privacy Principles
- > Relevant Awards, Enterprise Agreements, *Public Sector Act 2009* (SA), *Health Care Act 2008* (SA), and the SA Health (Health Care Act) Human Resources Manual.
- > Relevant Australian Standards.
- > Duty to maintain confidentiality.
- > Smoke Free Workplace.
- > To value and respect the needs and contributions of SA Health Aboriginal staff and clients, and commit to the development of Aboriginal cultural competence across all SA Health practice and service delivery.
- > Applying the principles of the South Australian Government's Risk Management Policy to work as appropriate.
- > Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (South Australia) Act 2010
- > Mental Health Act 2009 (SA) and Regulations
- > Controlled Substances Act 1984 (SA) and Regulations
- > The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia Registration Standards (including the Guidelines and Assessment Frameworks for Registration Standards)

- > The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia Professional Practice Codes and Guidelines (including Competency Standards, Codes of Ethics and Professional Conduct, Decision Making Framework and Professional Boundaries)
- > Professional Practice Standards and competencies consistent with area of practice as varied from time to time
- > SA Health/LHN/SAAS policies, procedures and standards.

## 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.

## **Special Conditions:**

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

- Meet immunisation requirements as outlined by the Immunisation Guidelines for Health Care Workers in South Australia 2014 specific to the role.
- It is mandatory that no person, whether or not currently working in SA Health, will be eligible for appointment to a position in SA Health unless they have obtained a satisfactory Background Screening and National Criminal History Clearance.
- Prescribed Positions under the Children's Protection Act (1993) must obtain a satisfactory Background Screening and National Criminal History Clearance through the Screening and Licensing Unit, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion.
- > Background Screening and National Criminal History Clearances must be renewed every 3 years

thereafter from date of issue for 'Prescribed Positions' under the *Children's Protection Act 1993* (Cth) or 'Approved Aged Care Provider Positions' as defined under the *Accountability Principles 2014* made in pursuant to the *Aged Care Act 2007* (Cth).

- Depending on work requirements the incumbent may be transferred to other locations across SA Health to perform work appropriate to classification, skills and capabilities either on a permanent or temporary basis subject to relevant provisions of the *Public Sector Act 2009* for Public Sector employees or the SA Health (Health Care Act) Human Resources Manual for Health Care Act employees.
- > The incumbent may be required to participate in Counter Disaster activities including attendance, as required, at training programs and exercises to develop the necessary skills required to participate in responses in the event of a disaster and/or major incident.
- > Must have a current SA driver's licence and willingness to drive a Government vehicle is essential

# Key Result Area and Responsibilities

Key Result Areas	Major Responsibilities
Direct/indirect patient/client care	<ul> <li>Provide proficient, person centred, clinical nursing care and/or individual case management to patients/clients in a defined clinical area;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Monitoring patient/client care plans to ensure appropriate care outcomes are achieved on a daily basis;</li> </ul>
	> Oversee the provision of nursing care within a team/unit.
	<ul> <li>Providing direct nursing care and/or individual case management to patients/clients on a shift by shift basis in a defined clinical area;</li> <li>Assessing individual patient/client needs, planning and implementing or coordinating appropriate service delivery form a range of accepted options;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>&gt; Overseeing the provision of nursing care within a team or unit;</li> <li>&gt; Providing health education, counselling and rehabilitation programs to improve the health outcomes of individual patients/clients or groups;</li> <li>&gt; Planning and coordinating services with other disciplines or agencies in providing individual's health care needs;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Demonstrating and promoting patient safety, risk minimisation and safe work activities within the practice setting; and</li> <li>Practicing as a Registered Nurse within a nursing model established to support patient/client centred care</li> </ul>
Support of health service systems	<ul> <li>Assists and supports the Nurse Unit Manager or equivalent in management, clinical, and education activities;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Plan and coordinate services including those from other disciplines;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Act to resolve local and/or immediate nursing/midwifery care or service delivery problems;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Support change management processes.</li> </ul>
Education	<ul> <li>Participate in clinical teaching, overseeing learning experience, and goal setting for students, new staff and staff with less experience;</li> </ul>
	> Assist the Nurse Unit Manager and Nurse Educators to maintain a learning culture by being a resource person, encouraging reflection and professional development, and assisting others to maintain portfolios/records of learning.
Research	> Participate in clinical auditing, clinical trials and/or evaluative research;
	<ul> <li>Integrate advanced theoretical knowledge, evidence from a range of sources and own experience to devise and achieve agreed patient/client care outcomes;</li> </ul>
	> Assist the Nurse/Midwife Unit Manager or equivalent to maintain and record monitoring and evaluative research activities in the ward/unit.
Professional leadership	<ul> <li>Promote continuity and consistency of care in collaboration with the Nurse Unit Manager or equivalent of the ward/unit/service;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Provide shift by shift leadership in the provision of nursing/midwifery care within a team or unit and facilitate patient flow;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Act as a resource person within an area based on knowledge, experience and skills.</li> </ul>

## Knowledge, Skills and Experience

## ESSENTIAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS Educational/Vocational Qualifications

Registered or eligible for registration as a Nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and who holds, or who is eligible to hold, a current practicing certificate, and enrolled in an approved Post Graduate Mental Health course or holds a Postgraduate qualification in mental health practice.

## Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- > Effective communication, problem solving, conflict resolution and negotiation skills.
- > Ability to work effectively within a multidisciplinary team.
- > Ability to prioritise workload and meet set timelines, whilst working under minimal supervision.
- > Ability to be creative, innovative and flexible when approaching issues within the healthcare setting.

## Experience

- > Registered Nurse/Midwife with at least 3 years post registration experience or currently classified as a Clinical Nurse/Midwife.
- > Demonstrated competence in the relevant area of nursing practice in accordance with the appropriate standards of practice.
- > Experience in the supervision of student nurses, enrolled nurses and less experienced registered nurses.

## Knowledge

- > Knowledge and understanding of relevant legislation, industrial agreements, standards, codes, ethics and competency standards.
- > Knowledge of Quality Improvement Systems as applied to a health care setting.
- > Knowledge of contemporary professional nursing/midwifery and health care issues.

## DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS

## **Educational/Vocational Qualifications**

- > Where applicable, qualifications relevant to practice setting.
- > Tertiary qualifications in nursing or human services related discipline

## Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- > Ability to work within a team framework that fosters an environment that develops staff potential.
- > Skills in using computers and software relevant to the area of practice.

## Experience

- > Experience with quality improvement activities.
- > Experience in evaluating the results of nursing research and integrating, where relevant, the results into nursing practice.

## Knowledge

> Knowledge of the South Australian Public Health System.

## **Organisational Context**

#### Organisational Overview:

Our mission at SA Health is to lead and deliver a comprehensive and sustainable health system that aims to ensure healthier, longer and better lives for all South Australians. We will achieve our objectives by strengthening primary health care, enhancing hospital care, reforming mental health care and improving the health of Aboriginal people.

SA Health is committed to a health system that produces positive health outcomes by focusing on health promotion, illness prevention and early intervention. We will work with other government agencies and the community to address the environmental, socioeconomic, biological and behavioural determinants of health, and to achieve equitable health outcomes for all South Australians

#### Our Legal Entities:

SA Health is the brand name for the health portfolio of services and agencies responsible to the Minister for Health and Ageing and the Minister for Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

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

#### SA Health Challenges:

The health system is facing the challenges of an ageing population, increased incidence of chronic disease, workforce shortages, and ageing infrastructure. The SA Health Care Plan has been developed to meet these challenges and ensure South Australian's have access to the best available health care in hospitals, health care centres and through GPs and other providers.

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NALHN Mental Health Division (MHD) provides a number of services to the adult population living within the NALHN Mental Health boundaries. The MHD covers inpatient and community services and includes:

- > NALHN Adult Community and Inpatient Mental Health Services
- > Older Persons Mental Health Service and State-wide Older Persons Mental Health Service
- > State-wide Forensic Service

## 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 understand the responsibilities associated with role, the role and organisational context and the values of SA Health as described within this document.

Signature:

Name:

Date: