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SA Health Job Pack

Job Title	Clinical Nurse Consultant – Chemotherapy Services
Eligibility	Open to Everyone
Job Number	740182
Applications Closing Date	18 November 2020
Region / Division	Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network
Health Service	Riverland General Hospital
Location	Berri
Classification	RNM3
Job Status	Ongoing Part Time (16 hours p/wk)
Total Indicative Remuneration	\$124,475 - \$131,441 pa (pro rata)

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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 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:

- ☒ Working with Children Screening - **DHS**
- ☒ Unsupervised Contact with Vulnerable Groups Employment Screening - **NPC**
- ☐ Disability Services Employment Screening - **DHS**
- ☐ General Employment Probity Check - **NPC**

Further information is available on the SA Health careers website at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers - see Career Information, 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). [Please click here for further information on these requirements.](#)

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:	Nurse Consultant – Cancer Care Coordinator
Classification Code:	Registered Nurse/Midwife Level 3
LHN/ HN/ SAAS/ DHA:	Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network
Hospital/ Service/ Cluster	Riverland General Hospital
Division:	Nursing
Department/Section / Unit/ Ward:	Chemotherapy
Role reports to:	Director of Nursing and Midwifery
Role Created/ Reviewed Date:	October 2020
Criminal History Clearance Requirements:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DHS Working With Children Check (WWCC) <input type="checkbox"/> DHS Disability Services Employment Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NPC – Unsupervised contact with vulnerable groups
Immunisation Risk Category	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Category A (direct contact with blood or body substances) <input type="checkbox"/> Category B (indirect contact with blood or body substances) <input type="checkbox"/> Category C (minimal patient contact)

ROLE CONTEXT

Primary Objective(s) of role:

Employees classified at this level provide clinical nursing/midwifery expertise for to provide comprehensive coordination of care for people with cancer. The role is focussed on the provision of supportive nursing care that is delivered across the care continuum in a seamless and continuous pattern for the individual; ensuring that the care and services provided are based on best practice principles and delivered in accordance with the Policies and Procedures of CHSA. Employees classified at this level are experts within their area and stream of practice and have a significant degree of autonomy and decision making.

The Clinical Practice Consultant will identify, advocate for and implement improvements in multidisciplinary cancer care coordination to achieve the best possible care outcomes. This is achieved by working in a multi-disciplinary collaborative model with a wide range of health service professionals and providers including hospitals, community health, Consultants and General Practitioners, and private providers.

Various practice models may be used to enact this role, including but not limited to:

- Primarily providing nursing and comprehensive coordination of care for individuals or groups of clients with Cancer;
- Providing clinical leadership to nurses and health professionals
- Coordination and leadership of projects and/or programs that contribute clinical expertise to improve patient/client/service outcomes

Employees in this role accept accountability for their nursing/midwifery practice, the outcomes of nursing/midwifery practices for the specific patient/client group, the professional advice given, delegations of care made and for addressing inconsistencies between practice and policy.

Direct Reports:

Nil

Key Relationships/ Interactions:Internal

- > Maintains close collaborative working relationships with all level 3 and level 4 Nurses/ Midwives.
- > 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/ midwifery team.

External

- > Works with the CHSALHN Cancer Services team

Challenges associated with Role:

Major challenges currently associated with the role include:

- > Keeping professionally up to date with relevant research, technological advances and models of care.
- > Working appropriately and in a culturally respectful way with Cancer patients 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.
- > Working collaboratively within the multidisciplinary team and across organisational Divisions/sites and promotes communication processes to enable best patient/client outcomes.

Delegations:

- > Financial Delegations Level 6
- > Human Resource Delegations Level 6

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 Reference 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.
- > 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 / CHSALHN 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.

Cultural Statement:

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

Special Conditions:

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

- > It is mandatory that no person, whether or not currently working in SA Health, will be eligible for appointment to a position in SA Health unless they have obtained a satisfactory National Police Certificate (NPC).
- > Prescribed Positions under the Child Safety (Prohibited Persons) Act 2016 must obtain a satisfactory Working With Children Check (WWCC) through the Department of Human Services (DHS) Screening Unit.
- > Approved Aged Care Provider Positions as defined under the Accountability Principles 1998 made in pursuant to the Aged Care Act 2007 (Cth) must obtain a satisfactory National Police Certificate (NPC) through the South Australian Police confirming the clearance is for the purpose of unsupervised contact with vulnerable groups.
- > Prescribed positions under the Disability Services Act 1993 must obtain a satisfactory Disability Services Employment Screening through the Department of Human Services (DHS) Screening Unit
- > NPCs and DHS Disability Services Employment Screenings must be renewed every 3 years thereafter from date of issue.
- > WWCCs must be renewed every 5 years thereafter from date of issue.
- > 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.
- > The incumbent may be required to undertake further study to obtain a qualification which supports the needs of the health unit. Where further study is required, RMCLHN will provide support and assistance in accordance with provisions of the SA Health (Health Care Act) Human Resources Manual. Note, however, this Special Condition does not apply to existing RMCLHN employees with continuous employment with RMCLHN which commenced prior to 1 October 2016.
- > Appointment is subject to immunisation risk category requirements (see page 1). There may be ongoing immunisation requirements that must be met.

Key Result Area and Responsibilities

Key Result Areas	Major Responsibilities
Direct/indirect patient/client care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Integrate contemporary information and evidence with personal experience to support the decision making, innovative thinking and objective analysis that is expected at this level eg Expert clinical knowledge underpins and informs their ability to support, lead and/or provide expert clinical care to improve and optimise nursing/midwifery care. > Provide direct, expert clinical nursing/midwifery care, select and implement different therapeutic interventions, provide individual case management to a defined population of patients/clients and evaluate progress. > Contribute expert nursing/midwifery assessment and advice to local clinical teams to achieve integrated nursing/midwifery care within a risk management framework. > Undertake the nursing/midwifery care role with a significant degree of independent clinical decision making in the area of personal expertise. > Be required in a multidisciplinary primary health care setting to apply nursing/midwifery expertise to assess clients, select and implement different therapeutic interventions and/or support programs and evaluate patient/client progress. > Effective complex discharge planning / hospital avoidance through the provision of education, equipment and referral.
Support of health service systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Use available information systems: to inform decision making, to implement and co-ordinate processes for quality improvement, to monitor and analyse incidents and accidents, to ensure quality and safety is not compromised, to evaluate outcomes and convey information to staff. > Contribute to the development of, implementation of, and monitoring of corporate policies and processes and lead in their area of expertise. > Management of resources with due diligence. > Implement and co-ordinate within span of control, processes for quality improvement and continuity within corporate risk management and nursing/midwifery professional practice frameworks. > Identifying hazards, assessing risks and implementing, monitoring and maintaining hazard control measures. > Maintain productive working relationships and manage conflict resolution. > Contribute to the development and sustainability of nursing/midwifery skills for the needs of the specific population group using systems of resource and standards promulgation. > Contribute specific expertise to nursing/midwifery practice through clinical protocol and standards development.
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Hold a contemporary professional practice portfolio containing evidence of postgraduate qualifications, learning and practice experience that underpin a demonstrable application of knowledge and skills commensurate with the level and type of practice expected of the role. > Ensure mechanisms are in place to support ongoing education where work and learning are integrated. > Apply and share expert clinical knowledge to improve patient/client care outcomes. > Contribute clinical expertise to learning environments, which may include individual/team capability development and/or post registration clinical teaching.

Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Contribute specific expertise to monitor and evaluate research activities in order to improve nursing or midwifery practice and service delivery; > Establishing, implementing and evaluating systems, which ensure best practice/evidence and patient/client outcomes; > Applies evidenced based recommendations to improve practice and service function; > Contribute to clinical practice research.
Professional leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Provides leadership and direction, acts a role model, mentor, consultant and resource person; > Lead nursing/midwifery clinical practice within the professional practice framework established by the Director of Nursing/Midwifery and/or lead a multidisciplinary team; > Contribute to the redesign of care and treatment practices.

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.

Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- > Effective leadership skills including highly developed skills in communication, problem solving, conflict resolution and negotiation skills.
- > Ability to work effectively within a multidisciplinary team.
- > Ability to prioritise workload and meet set timelines.
- > Demonstrated ability to foster a workplace environment that develops staff potential.
- > Proven ability for flexibility, innovation and creativity within the whole of service setting.
- > Demonstrated ability in the leadership and facilitation of change management.
- > Demonstrated ability in leading and promoting consumer engagement initiatives

Experience

- > Registered Nurse and or Midwife with at least 3 years post registration experience.
- > Demonstrated competence in the relevant area of nursing and or midwifery practice in accordance with the relevant standards.
- > Experience in the supervision of students, enrolled nurses and less experienced registered nurses and or midwives.
- > Demonstrated competence in the direct provision and multidisciplinary coordination of Cancer care

Knowledge

- > Knowledge and understanding of relevant legislation, industrial agreements, standards, codes, ethics and competency standards
- > Knowledge of Australian National Safety and Quality and Safety Health Service Standards
- > Knowledge of contemporary professional nursing and or midwifery and health care issues.
- > Knowledge of the State-wide Cancer Care plan

DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS

Educational/Vocational Qualifications

- > Tertiary qualifications in nursing and or midwifery or human services related discipline (Graduate Diploma or Master level)

Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

- > Skills in using computers and software relevant to the area of practice.
- > Ability to analyse complex clinical data.
- > Ability to undertake presentations to community and professional groups.
- > Ability to work within a cross disciplinary and interagency team framework that fosters an environment that develops staff potential.

Experience

- > Experience with quality improvement methodologies for clinical activities
- > Experience in evaluating the results of nursing and or Midwifery research and integrating, where relevant, the results into nursing and or midwifery practice.
- > Experience in clinical management and leadership roles.

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, Barossa Hills Fleurieu Local Health Network, Eyre and Far North Local Health Network, Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network, Limestone Coast Local Health Network, Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network, Yorke and Northern Local Health Network and SA Ambulance Service.

SA Health Challenges:

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

Health Network/ Division/ Department:

Port Pire Regional Health Service forms part of the Yorke and Northern Region, one of 6 regions in Country Health SA Local Health Network. The health service provides a range of cancer services including Chemotherapy, Nurse Led Vascular Access and visiting Oncology services (including Radiation Oncology) and palliative Care 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: Sally Shannon

Role Title: Director of Nursing and Midwifery

Signature:

Date:

Role Acceptance

Incumbent Acceptance

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

Name:

Signature:

Date: