



POSITION DESCRIPTION

Title:	Nurse Practitioner
Enterprise Agreement:	Community Sector Multiple Enterprise Agreement 2009
Classification:	Level 6.1
Usual work location:	The Junction Youth Health Service, Club 1225, Level 2, Corner of Cooyong St and Scotts Crossing, Canberra
Cost Centre:	170
Usual hours of work:	25 hours per week
Position Objective:	The Nurse Practitioner will work as part of a multidisciplinary team to provide holistic support and therapeutic services to young people aged 12 to 25, with a particular focus on young people who are at risk or experiencing homelessness. The Nurse Practitioner will develop partnerships with external GPs and allied health services, and provide onsite and outreach nursing services.

Position Responsibilities:

- Provide nursing care, support, education, referral and advocacy to young people with an emphasis on linking them into health services in their own communities.
- Liaise and develop partnerships with, and offer support to, general practices and allied health services across the ACT region around youth health issues through in reach service provisions within community GP practices.
- Provide primary, secondary, and tertiary disease prevention and health promotion activities in the context of acute care for minor illnesses and injuries and ongoing care for the management of chronic, stable health conditions.
- Provide reproductive health care including, but not limited to, family planning/contraception, STI screening and management, uncomplicated gynaecologic concerns and clinical back-up (only) to the practice Midwife for uncomplicated obstetric care.
- Provide clinical back up only (i.e. medication renewals) for established mental health care patients who have a documented Mental Health Care Plan.
- Be actively involved in all supervision, training, professional development and meetings, as required.
- Participate in the implementation of the Sanctuary Framework
- Maintain professional standards in relation to service delivery, confidentiality, maintenance of medical records and privacy as per the Junction Youth Health Service and Anglicare policies and procedures.
- Undertake data collection and reporting.
- Actively advocate and represent the needs of the client group within the broader community as an Anglicare ACT representative.
- In addition to these responsibilities and duties, undertake such other responsibilities and duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Youth Health Coordinator and Anglicare ACT.

Key behaviours:

Client Focus

Recognises, anticipates and focuses on specific client needs and advocates on behalf of the client.

Interpersonal

Establishes cooperative and productive relationships by understanding and responding to the needs of others.

Job Motivation

Is a self-starter and self-motivated and maintains a high level of enthusiasm for work responsibilities.

Outcome focused

Identifies and accomplishes challenging objectives by doing whatever is necessary to achieve the goal.

Team Building

Promotes the achievement of results through cooperation and joint efforts between team members

Key skills:

- Excellent written and verbal communication and liaison skills to build partnerships within the health sector.
- Ability to work autonomously and to work collaboratively with a multidisciplinary team.
- Ability to establish effective working relationships and work collaboratively with clients, internal and external services and stakeholders.

- Key knowledge areas:**
- Understanding of the issues affecting young people, particularly young people who are homeless or otherwise at risk.
 - Knowledge of ACT youth and health services networks.
 - An understanding of alcohol and other drugs, their effects, and pharmacology.

- Key experience:**
- Demonstrated experience in providing advocacy, referral and support to young people, particularly young people who are at risk or homeless.
 - Experience working as a Nurse Practitioner in youth health, sexual health and mental health.

- Qualifications:**
- Post graduate qualifications in Paediatric/Youth Health, Sexual and Reproductive Health, Pap Smear Provider or Midwifery.
 - Current Australian Nurse Practitioner registration.
 - Current valid driver's licence.

- Requirements:**
- All applicants will be required to:
- Address the Key Behaviours, Key Skills and Key Knowledge areas against the Position Responsibilities as outlined in the Position Description;
 - have a Working With Vulnerable People clearance through the Office of Regulatory Services (ACT);
 - Undergo both a National Criminal History Check and a psychometric profiling instrument – Safe Select™ prior to appointment.

Reports to: Youth Health Coordinator