

POSITION DESCRIPTION		
Part 1 – Expectations	Employee	
Attachments	Addendum A  *Outlines the specifics of the allocated Directorate/Portfolio	

## **About EACH**

EACH provides an integrated range of health, disability, housing, counselling, and community mental health services across Australia. We offer a wide range of supports to assist members of our community to lead happier, healthier lives. Our staff are a collective workforce of over 1,700 paid employees and over 250 volunteers.

More information is available at: http://www.each.com.au

Our vision	Everyone has the power to live well.
Our purpose	Health and support services that improve lives and strengthen communities.
Our values and behaviours	We care.  We welcome you with empathy and hope.  We believe making change is possible for everyone.  We listen.  We take time to understand you, your experiences, and your culture.  We work with you and the people important to you, to build the right supports.
	We learn.  We evaluate our actions and always seek to improve.  We deliver.  We have a 'can do' attitude and find ways to say 'yes'.  We do what we say we're going to do.



A key focus of this position is to work collaboratively with their team members, their Directorate and across other Directorates.

They are responsible for leading delivery and/or community through their own contribution.

It is expected that all employees consistently model EACH's values and behaviors and ensure EACH's culture is inclusive, safe, and engaging.

## **Employee Responsibilities**

Employees are responsible for:

- Assessing for quality, safety and risk and taking actions that keep myself, customers, community and staff safe
- Partnering with my team, others at EACH, our customers and community to achieve great outcomes
- Creating a safe, respectful and culturally appropriate space to foster growth, learning, belonging, health and wellbeing
- Contribute to tracking progress and outcomes to ensure alignment with EACH's goals and to reliably deliver on performance targets
- Working within the program/role guidelines and professional boundaries of my role
- Demonstrating behaviours at all times that align to EACH's leadership standards and recognises that you are an ambassador of EACH.

## Quality:

EACH staff are required to participate in continuous monitoring and improvement and comply with legislation, professional standards and accreditation standards and any other governing laws that apply from time to time.

EACH staff must have and maintain the appropriate skills and knowledge required to fulfil their role and responsibilities. In addition, they must practice within the specifications of this position description, and where applicable within the agreed scope of practice.

# Safety & Wellbeing:

EACH is committed to providing and maintaining a working environment for all staff that is safe and minimises risk to health. All staff are to take care of their own health and safety and the health and safety of any other person who may be affected by their acts or omissions at the workplace.

As an Employee you understand your responsibilities and accountabilities to yourself and others in accordance with OH&S legislation across the various jurisdictions and EACH's policies.



#### **EACH Child Safe Commitment Statement:**

EACH is committed to promoting and protecting the best interests of children and supporting a child safe culture. EACH has zero tolerance for child abuse. Everyone working at EACH is responsible for the care and protection of children and reporting information about suspected child abuse.

All children who come to EACH have a right to feel and be safe. EACH is committed to the safety and well-being of all children whether they are direct service recipients or indirectly linked to our services such as children of customers. The welfare of children and young people is our first priority. We create a child safe and child friendly environment where all children are valued and heard, are safe and protected."

#### **Key Selection Criteria**

#### Skills and Behaviours

- Acts in accordance with EACH's Behavioural and Performance Standards.
- Highly developed communication and interpersonal skills to competently establish and maintain effective working relationships with clients, staff and visitors.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively and enthusiastically within a team to help foster a
  positive and progressive work environment.

#### Desirable Experience, Knowledge, and Qualifications

- Tertiary qualifications in a relevant discipline.
- Demonstrated ability in working collaboratively as part of a Team
- Appreciation and understanding of the Not-For-Profit sector and Health services is well-regarded.

#### Mandatory Competencies and/or Licences

- Completion of an acceptable Criminal History Check and Employee Working with Children Check (or State equivalent) prior to commencement of employment and as required by legislation and policy during employment, as well as a duty to disclose relevant information that may arise after employment has commenced.
- A cleared National Worker Screening Check prior to commencement of employment (if required for the role – not applicable to all roles)

#### Expected behaviours for all EACH Staff

- Acts in accordance with EACH's Code of Conduct, policies and procedures and is demonstrably committed to EACH's vision, mission, values, and service principles.
- Responds to family violence risk in line with their role and responsibilities and in accordance with the Multi-Agency Risk Assessment and Management (MARAM) Framework and related Frameworks.



- Promotes a 'safety first' culture and acts in accordance with EACH Health, Safety and Wellbeing Policy and management system.
- Ensures EACH Great Care is put through its PACES (Person-Centred, Accessible, Connected, Effective and Safe).
- Promotes and supports a zero-tolerance culture that recognises all people have the
  right to live their lives free from abuse, neglect, violence, discrimination and
  exploitation and acts upon EACH's commitment to recognise, raise and respond to
  any deviation from a person's human rights.
- Fosters and promotes an inclusive and collaborative work environment where all
  employees, volunteers and customers feel welcomed, respected, valued and
  enabled and proud to fully participate, irrespective of their individual differences in
  background, experience and perspectives. Demonstrates a customer focus by
  prioritising the needs and outcomes of internal and external customers.
- Demonstrates teamwork and collaboration and positively contributes to group activities.
- Contributes to innovation and continuous improvement and openly shares information and knowledge to enable optimal outcomes for customers.
- Be curious, reflective, and open to continuous learning and new ways of working.
- Successfully completes all mandatory training in a timely manner, to support the delivery of high quality, safe and effective service delivery.



#### Part 2 - Addendum - AOD Counsellor Outer East

This document explains the work of the Support Worker, NDIS Direct Support and the outputs they will need to deliver

Position:	AOD Counsellor
Directorate / Service / Program:	AOD and Support Services
Industrial Instrument Name:	SACS - EACH Social and Community Service Employees Enterprise Agreement 2017
Instrument Classification:	SACS L5
Reports to:	AOD Team Leader Outer East
Effective Date:	20/11/2023

# **Key Deliverables**

#### **Provision of Treatment Services**

- Provide high quality engagement, assessment, treatment and support to individuals who access the AOD Program including counselling, case management, relapse prevention, brief intervention and group work.
- Provide a full range of recovery oriented therapeutic programs that are strength based, trauma informed utilising a range of modalities including, but not limited to:
- motivational interviewing
- mindfulness
- o ACT
- schema therapy
- cognitive therapies
- Other relevant counselling techniques
- Provide high quality counselling services to all clients including forensic clients.
- Responds to family violence inline with their role and responsibilities and in accordance with the Multi-Agency Risk Assessment and Management (MARAM) Framework and related Frameworks.
- Contribute to the planning, implementation, delivery and evaluation of the program.
- Build on and maintain referral and feedback pathways with local General Practitioners, Mental Health Services and other Health, Welfare and AOD providers.
- Encourage strong community and sector connections to support improved coordination of service planning, delivery and review.
- o Coordinate care with other health and social services.
- o Participate in all planning, reference groups and working groups as required.
- Work as part of a multi-disciplinary team, to contribute to the program and team development,



o Maintain positive relationships with internal and external stakeholders.

## **Service Development**

- o Contribute to the planning, implementation, delivery and evaluation of the program.
- Build on and maintain referral and feedback pathways with local General Practitioners, Mental Health Services and other Health, Welfare and AOD providers.
- Encourage strong community and sector connections to support improved coordination of service planning, delivery and review.
- o Coordinate care with other health and social services.
- o Participate in all planning, reference groups and working groups as required.
- o Work as part of a multi-disciplinary team, to contribute to the program and team development.
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### **Organisational Management**

- Contribute to the preparation of agency reports.
- o Maintain up to date case notes and progress notes including Trak Care.
- Assist in building a culture of quality and innovation.

### **Qualifications and skills**

#### Skills:

- Well-developed communication and conflict resolution skills.
- Strong organisational skills with high attention to detail.
- Administration skills to complete compliance paperwork.
- o Ability to demonstrate welcome, empathy and hope with all clients and stakeholders.

#### **Experience and Knowledge:**

- o Demonstrated experience working with AOD clients both voluntary and mandated.
- Demonstrated experience in providing therapeutic counselling to clients with a co-existing drug and alcohol and mental health condition.
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Harm Reduction principles and strategies, with a particular understanding of relevance to clients with co-occurring conditions.
- Knowledge of the service system and the principles and models that underpin it, e.g. Minkoff & Cline; Harm Reduction, the recovery framework.
- Ability to manage complex presentations.
- Knowledge of, and ability with data systems and reporting requirements

#### Mandatory Qualification/Competencies/Licences:

- Minimum qualification Cert IV/Diploma AOD or being prepared to obtain.
- Counselling, Social Work, Advance Dip in AOD, completed or completing competencies in dual diagnosis or relevant disciplines all looked on favourably.
- Current Victorian Driver's License.
- Current Working with Children Check (Employee).
- Completion of a Criminal History Check (must be current within 60 days of employment) and as required by legislation and policy during employment, as well as a duty to disclose relevant information that may arise after employment has commenced.



# **Physical Requirements:**

- o able to sit at a computer for 6 8 hours per day
- o Walk up stairs
- o ability to travel between EACH locations
- o Lift 3 kgs etc.