

Job Title:	Public Health Nutritionist			
Classification:	Professional 2 P2	Department:	Primary Health Care (PHC)	
Location:	This position is based in Darwin and provides services to the community of Maningrida and the West Arnhem Communities. It will require extensive travel for up to a week at a time either by 4WD or light aircraft.			
Collaborations:	Manayingkarirra Primary Health Care Centre & Red Lily Health Board			
Reports to:	Mala'la Executive Health Manager and Red Lily Health Board Director of Primary Health Care			
Employment Conditions:	Mala'la Health Service Aboriginal Corporation Enterprise Agreement 2024-2027			
JOB DESCRIPTION				

### **POSITION FUNCTION**

RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROVISION OF HIGH-LEVEL PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION AND DIETETIC SERVICES TO CLIENTS RESIDING IN MANINGRIDA AND THE WEST ARNHEM COMMUNITIES OF GUNBALANYA, JABIRU, MINJILANG, WARRUWI; AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS/SERVICES WITH AN EMPHASIS ON CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT.

### **ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Develop networks and work in partnership with stakeholders to identify, plan, implement and evaluate activities that aim to improve nutritional status and increase participation in physical activity in remote communities.
- Act as the primary source of specific nutrition knowledge within the local team and with other service providers and contribute to the professional development of others in the area of nutrition and physical activity.
- Provide support to less experienced staff involved in implementing nutrition and physical activity programs and supervise students on placements.
- A component of the role is the provision of routine clinical dietetic services to clients and consultative support in the delivery of clinical services.
- Follow defined service quality standards, work health and safety policies and procedures relating to the work being undertaken in order to ensure high quality safe services and workplaces.

## Reporting

- Compiling monthly report to the relevant Managers on activities undertaken during community visits
- Assist in meeting the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) linked to the annual Operational Plan and the organization's Strategic Plan.

# Organizational

- To be accountable for maintaining personal and professional competencies and professional conduct.
- To participate in professional development activities and performance management systems.
- Adhere to the relevant Values, Policies & Procedures and Code of Conduct of each organization.
- Other duties within scope as directed by the Mala'la Executive Health Manager.



## **Information Systems**

• Adhere to the Information technology policies of each organization.

# Work, Health and Safety

- Be familiar with WH&S policies and procedures; apply guidelines and procedures.
- Report safety hazards within the workplace.
- Identify and assist in rectifying safety hazards within the workplace environment.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

#### **Essential**

- Tertiary qualification in Human Nutrition and Dietetics
- Eligibility for Accredited Practicing Dietitian Status of Dietitians, Australia
- Understanding of the social determinants of health and the impact on Aboriginal health in remote communities
- Previous experience working as a practicing dietitian and sound knowledge and experience in planning, implementing and evaluating public health programs using the principles of community development
- Proven ability to work independently under limited direction, prioritize workload and manage time effectively to meet deadlines, complete tasks and provide reports
- High level written and oral communication skills and proven ability to communicate with people from diverse cultures effectively in a variety of settings.
- Well-developed competency in computer skills with sound working knowledge of several software packages including Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher.
- Satisfactory criminal history check
- Current NT Working with Children Clearance Ochre card holder, or the ability to obtain one
- NT manual Driver Licence

### **Desirable**

- Experience working within an Aboriginal Medical Service
- Experience working in a remote Aboriginal community
- Demonstrated ability to engage and work effectively within a remote Aboriginal community

# **ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITIES**

I have read the requirements and responsibilities outlined in this Position Description, MHSAC Code of Conduct, Employment Terms and Conditions and agree to meet and adhere to these, and have my performance monitored and evaluated in relation to my performance in the role as detailed through this document.

Signature of Appointee:	Date:	
Signature of Mala'la authorized representative:	Date:	