

### POSITION DESCRIPTION

<b>Position title</b>	Clinical Psychologist Casual (Up to 8 hours per week)
<b>Award</b>	The Health and Community Employees Psychologists (State) Award 2018
<b>Classification</b>	Clinical Psychologist
<b>Registration Requirements</b>	AHPRA Psychology Board of Australia, or Provisional registration
<b>National Criminal Record Check</b>	Yes
<b>Professional Liability &amp; Indemnity Insurance required</b>	Yes
<b>Responsible to</b>	Principal Psychologist Amazing Ageing Psychology
<b>Purpose of Position</b>	<p>This position is based in an expanding Private Practice and involves the provision of psychological assessment and treatment services to:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Older adults (&gt;65 years) in a variety of settings, including in the office and in residential care settings. The clients are referred for a variety of psychological disorders, and/or behavioural disturbance related to dementia and/or mental illness.</li> </ol> <p>The job also involves consultation and liaison with other multi-disciplinary staff involved with the clients, and provision of educational services where required.</p>

#### Essential Criteria

1. Registration, or Provisional Registration, as a Psychologist with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
2. Postgraduate qualifications in Clinical Psychology.

3. Demonstrated experience in the delivery of evidence-based mental health assessment, treatment and care planning services to adults and/or older adults with Psychological disorders.
4. High level communication skills. Ability to speak and understand English at a level that allows for:- effective interviewing and data gathering; reading and reviewing relevant documents; and expressing information and ideas appropriately in both written and verbal contexts.
5. Ability to work with multi-disciplinary staff.
6. Current driver's licence and willingness to drive for work purposes.
7. Current Criminal Record Check.
8. Professional indemnity and liability insurance.

### **Core Responsibilities**

1. To conduct Psychological assessment of clients using clinical interviews, observations, and appropriate assessment tools, within a Biopsychosocial framework.
2. To provide evidence-based therapeutic interventions to clients referred to the service with a variety of issues:-grief and loss, adjustment to ageing, psychological disorders, mental illness, and behavioural disturbance. Interventions would be in individual, family, group sessions, and staff meetings.
3. To support the care staff in residential care facilities to manage residents with emotional, psychological and behavioural problems. Such assistance may include focused educational sessions; facilitating family and staff meetings; and/or facilitating a behaviour review process with staff, in order to design and review behaviour support plans.
4. To liaise with family members where appropriate.
5. To provide education, support, and assistance to families and carers of the client, and/or link them to other appropriate community services.
6. Plan, implement, and evaluate therapeutic group programmes for clients.
7. Attend regular case review meetings with the Principal psychologist.
8. To conduct quality improvement and clinical outcome research as required under the supervision of the Principal Psychologist.

### **Key Accountabilities**

1. To provide Psychological service that is bound by the rules of professional conduct of AHPRA and the Ethical Guidelines of the APS.
2. To provide Psychological service that is responsive and sensitive to cultural and ethnic diversity.

3. To maintain confidential, comprehensive, and accurate records of contact with clients, in accordance with the policy of the residential care facility, Amazing Ageing Psychology, and the Australian Privacy Principles.

### **Education and Training**

- It is the responsibility of each staff member to comply with the mandatory continuous professional development requirements of the Psychology Board as set out by AHPRA.
- Regular supervision sessions to be attended with the Principal Psychologist of Amazing Ageing Psychology.

### **Other Duties**

- Demonstrate a commitment to, and actively promote, the business of Amazing Ageing Psychology.
- Undertake reasonable travel in accordance with the duties of this position.
- Maintain accurate statistics as required by Amazing Ageing Psychology.
- Participate in regular performance reviews.