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POSITION TITLE	Coordinator, After Hours	
REPORTS TO	Team Leader, Primary Care & Chronic Disease	
DIRECT REPORTS	Nil	
TEAM	Primary Care & Chronic Disease	
LOCATION	WQPHN Office	
POSITION CLASSIFICATION	Level 4	
RELEVANT AWARD & CLASSIFICATION	Award Free	
EMPLOYMENT STATUS & HOURS	Full time, 76 hours per fortnight	

# **Primary Purpose**

The After Hours Coordinator is responsible for overseeing Western Queensland PHN (WQPHN)'s after-hours health programs to improve healthcare accessibility for vulnerable and culturally diverse communities across rural and remote areas of Western Queensland. This role ensures that after-hours services align with community needs through coordinated telehealth and primary healthcare support.

## **Role Functions**

The Coordinator, After Hours role is responsible for the following key functions within the WQPHN organisation:

- Manage multiple after-hours programs, to deliver cost effective primary healthcare to potentially reduce preventable hospitalizations in the regions, ensuring alignment with WQPHN's regional health priorities.
- Engage and consult with key stakeholders to inform program delivery and identify barriers to care.
- Enhance access to primary healthcare services during periods outside of normal operating hours.

# Key Responsibilities and Accountabilities

### **Program Coordination and Development**

- 1. Manage multiple after-hours programs, ensuring alignment with WQPHN's regional health priorities.
- 2. Develop work plans, set objectives, and monitor program activities, ensuring alignment with regional needs.
- 3. Collaboration between RFDS General Practitioners and HHS Primary Health Care staff to ensure continuity of care and reduce preventable hospitalizations and retrieval needs.
- 4. Improved access for vulnerable populations and those at risk of poorer health outcomes., access to a GP in the nomarket regions

# **Stakeholder Engagement and Consultation**

- 5. Facilitate collaboration with key stakeholders, including RFDS, HHS, ACCHOs, and local health providers.
- 6. Establish and maintain relationships with regional service providers and health consumer groups to support co-design and co-commissioning efforts.

### **Needs Assessment and Reporting**

- 7. Lead the development of comprehensive health needs assessments, identifying barriers and gaps in afterhours care services and recommending strategies for improvement.
- Collect and analyse data on program performance, health outcomes, and access issues, and prepare evidence-based reports to inform WQPHN's commissioning activities.

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9. Prepare program reports, updates, and presentations for internal stakeholders and ensuring compliance with policies.

### **Program Representation and Promotion**

- 10. Represent WQPHN's after-hours programs in meetings, events, and regional forums to advocate for improved health service access and build awareness.
- 11. Promote the use of after-hours services within communities, particularly in remote areas with high seasonal populations, ensuring that service delivery meets community and environmental demands.

## **Collaboration for Culturally Appropriate Care**

- 12. Collaborate with clinical and non-clinical teams to integrate culturally appropriate and holistic care within all after-hours programs, particularly for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander populations and those from diverse cultural backgrounds.
- 13. Facilitate knowledge sharing among service providers to ensure continuity of care and effective use of MBS items for after-hours services.

### **Service Accessibility and Impact**

- 14. Monitor and address barriers to service accessibility, including geographic, socioeconomic, and linguistic factors, providing solutions that enhance care delivery.
- 15. Work with program stakeholders to implement effective, cost-efficient health services that reduce preventable hospitalisations and meet the specific needs of remote and transient communities in the region.

#### General

- 16. Adhere to all established Information Security Management System (ISMS) and Quality Management System (QMS) policies, procedures, and guidelines to ensure the protection and compliance of the organisation.
- 17. Undertake other such duties and training as may reasonably be required and which are consistent with the level of responsibility of this position.

## Our Commitment to Reconciliation

WQPHN is committed to undertaking all work within a culturally inclusive, sensitive and safe framework that supports Reconciliation. The <u>Reconciliation Action Plan</u> shows WQPHN's commitment and dedication to embedding reconciliation initiatives into everyday work.

# Minimum Qualifications and Competencies

- 1. Tertiary qualifications in health, social sciences, community development, or a related field, with equivalent experience.
- 2. Demonstrated experience in program coordination, particularly in rural and remote healthcare or after-hours service delivery.
- 3. Proven ability to engage with culturally and linguistically diverse populations and Indigenous communities.
- 4. Strong skills in stakeholder engagement, including the ability to manage relationships across health sectors and community organisations.
- 5. Experience in needs assessment, data collection, and report writing.
- 6. Strong project management skills and ability to manage multiple program responsibilities.
- 7. Familiarity with telehealth services, remote healthcare delivery models, and knowledge of Western Queensland PHN priorities and regional healthcare challenges would be highly desirable

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# **Key Performance Measures**

- 8. Maintain program coverage in designated rural and remote areas, with quarterly reviews of accessibility metrics.
- 1. Ensure alignment of after-hours programs with WQPHN's regional health priorities, evaluated semi-annually through program audits.
- 2. Conduct monthly consultations with key stakeholders to inform program delivery.
- 3. Maintain a stakeholder satisfaction score of at least 80% in quarterly surveys, ensuring effective and collaborative engagement.
- 4. Submit all required program reports and updates by established deadlines, achieving 100% on-time submission.
- 5. Ensure all programs incorporate culturally appropriate care models, as verified through annual internal and external reviews.
- Complete comprehensive needs assessments annually, identifying after-hours care barriers and submitting recommendations for improvement.
- 7. Demonstrate and model the WQPHN values.
- 8. Deliver against allocated WQPHN strategic objectives, business plan and PPQF, reflecting the Health Needs Assessment and DoHAC deliverables.
- 9. Meet 100% completion of mandatory and organisational training priorities.

# **Key Relationships**

#### Internal

- Senior Management Team
- Office of the Chief Executive Officer
- Primary Health & Commissioned Services Team
- Strategy, Planning & Performance Team.

### **External**

- Department of Health & Aged Care (DoHAC) and other government departments
- RFDS, CheckUP, HWQ and other partner organisations related to PHN primary healthcare activities
- Queensland Health and other hospitals or health services across three HHS regions
- Nukal Murra Alliance
- Clinical service providers and other health professionals including general practice
- Other health service providers, community sector agencies, contractors and business advisors.

# Acceptance

EMPLOYEE NAME		
EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE	DATE	