

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position:	REGISTERED NURSE
Time Fraction:	As contracted
Reports to:	Chief Executive Officer / Director of Nursing/Nurse Unit Manager
Award:	<i>Nurse and Midwives (Victorian Public Health Sector) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2016 - 2020</i>
Department:	Nursing
Position Tenure:	As Contracted

OUR MISSION:

To promote and enhance the health and wellbeing of the people of the East Gippsland High Country

STRATEGIC PILLARS AND KEY OBJECTIVES:

Healthy Community

Reach out to our local rural community in the planning and delivering of our services

Quality Care & Safety

Deliver first class care to our clients, community and key stakeholders

People & Culture

Build a highly engaged and skilled team of health care professionals and volunteers with a commitment to creating a culture of achievement and service excellence

Sustainable Services

Develop a fully sustainable health care service model to fund future growth and investment in new markets and emerging technologies

Effective Governance

Create a comprehensive and accessible governance framework that ensures compliance with our legislative, ethical and statutory obligations

Collaborative Partnerships

Invest in strategic partnerships and alliances that allow us to achieve better outcomes for our service

OUR VALUES – WE CARE



At ODH we are an equal opportunity employer offering a totally smoke free workplace

Key Selection Criteria

Omeo District Health is an equal opportunity employer. ODH has adopted a common set of values across the organisation and developed associated behaviours around these values. Selection will be based on assessing demonstrated performance of the skills, knowledge, behaviours and other personal qualifications relevant to the role.

Essential

- Currently registered with the AHPRA as a Registered Nurse
- Developed oral and written communication and conflict resolution skills
- Demonstrated commitment and ability to work as a member of the health care team.
- Demonstrated commitment to ongoing education of self and colleagues
- Demonstrated knowledge and commitment to Quality Improvement
- Ability in prioritising workload to meet deadlines and manage constantly changing priorities.
- Ability to enhance the front line customer service and ODH profile in the community.
- Understanding of the role of policies and procedures within an organisation.
- Demonstrated ability to work with confidential and sensitive information.
- Willingness to undertake a Police check and Working with Children's Check (if applicable)
- The ability to demonstrate leadership skills in the absence of the NUM.
- Valid Victorian Driver licence.
- Current National Police Check.

Desirable

- Experience in providing care services to frail aged or disabled people.
- Ability to apply evidenced based practice
- Sound clinical knowledge
- Understanding of contemporary nursing theory and practice and issues affecting nursing practice in a rural setting.

Position Summary

The Registered Nurse Division 1 at Omeo District Health is a combined clinical / managerial position. The RN is required to have an advanced knowledge of clinical procedures and the ability to demonstrate a sound knowledge base in the application of knowledge to practice. The RN DIV 1 is a care coordinator and must have excellent communication skills.

Ideally, the RN will have, or be working toward, tertiary qualifications preferably in the management field or higher clinical practice. He/she will be aware of the physical and budgetary constraints of the unit as a whole and assist the Nurse Unit Manager in working within these restraints. The RN will be required to function in the Charge Nurse role if necessary. The professional development of nurses within their department will also be a priority. They will be committed to teamwork and act as a mentor and role model for students, graduate, Enrolled nurses and less experienced nursing staff.

Key Responsibilities and Duties

The Registered Nurse should be self-motivated and have the ability to gain the acceptance of a wide range of people. The role requires a responsible person with a professional attitude, high level of motivation, flexibility and willingness to provide excellent service with minimal supervision.

The registered Nurse Division 1 is to perform nursing functions in accordance with his/her educational preparation and in keeping with Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia National Competency standards for nurses, The Code of Ethics for Nurses in Australia and The Code of Professional Conduct for Nurses in Australia.

To work within the philosophy, guideline and policies of the hospital and the nursing division.

Nurses with a RIPERN qualification will work in collaboration with the VMO. Practice will be at an advanced level and in accordance with RIPRN endorsement and scope of practice.

The RN will participate in Quality improvement activities including undertaking audits, policy review, development and developing of policy or clinical guidelines or actively contributing to formal education delivery within the organisation.

Organisational Keys

Customer Service

- Deliver services that reflect the Organisation's mission statement and values with a strong focus and commitment to Customer Service.

Privacy, Dignity & Confidentiality

- Recognise and respect each Resident's/Patient's/Client's right to privacy, dignity and confidentiality.
- Demonstrate a commitment to and understanding of the Information Privacy Principles concerned with empowering individuals to manage, as far as practicable, the collection, use and dissemination of personal information about themselves.

Team Contribution

- Demonstrate commitment to co-operation and a team approach, while exhibiting a positive, strong personal contribution to maximising the performance outcomes of the relevant program / area and ODH as an organisation.

Legislation, Regulations and Standards

- Comply with the requirements and compliance responsibilities of relevant legislation, regulations and standards where they directly impact on the service activity and delivery of care.

Occupational Health and Safety

- Ensures that work practices are carried out in accordance to the Occupational Health & Safety policies of the organisation.
- Promotes a safe working environment by identifying and reporting hazards.

Infection Control

- All employees must have knowledge of Infection Control policies, located on Prompt. Employees will assess the risk of any potential infectious incident and utilise the appropriate action as outlined in ODH policies.
- Infection Prevention is the responsibility of all health care workers and is an essential part of quality health care. Hand Hygiene is the single most important factor in reducing the risk of spreading infection.

Quality and Safety

- Demonstrate a commitment to the delivery of safe and high quality services.
- Demonstrate a focus on partnering with consumers in the planning, delivery and evaluation of services and care, by actively seeking feedback and engaging consumers in their care planning as appropriate to employee role.
- Ensure all activities are in accordance with the following standards as applicable to the employee's work area:
 - National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards (organisation wide);
 - Aged Care Standards (Llewington House);
 - Home Care Common Standards (Home and Community Care);
 - Department of Human Services Standards (Disability Support);
 - Royal Australian College of General Practitioners Standards (Medical Centre).
- Actively participate in the Omeo District Health quality improvement program and accreditation processes against the above standards, as appropriate to employee role.
- Be confidently able to complete an incident report and submit a quality activity in Riskman.
- Be able to identify risks and follow the Omeo District Health Risk Management Policy and procedure.
- Have, or participate in, processes to monitor and evaluate the performance of the services provided by the work area.

Professional Development

- Participates in annual performance review and development program.
- Maintain knowledge required for the performance of the position.
- Attend ODH Mandatory Education Training annually.

Risk Assessment / Job Analysis

Under Occupational Health and Safety, potential risks associated with this position are detailed below. Employee familiarity and compliance with emergency procedure codes apply to all areas of the organisation.

Aspects of Normal Workplace	Frequency
<u>Work Environment</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage demanding and changing workloads and competing priorities. • Work a flexible roster spanning all shifts with the possibility of extended hours. • Sitting at the computer or in meetings for extended periods of time. • Work in a team environment and at times independently. • Work in locations geographically separated from the main facility. • Single beds for patients. All beds are fully electric. There is no requirement to lift bed heads or foot ends. Height adjustment is via a button. • Exposure to Substances. Hazardous substances are part of the hospital workplace (e.g. blood). Protective equipment and procedures are in place to prevent contact. 	Continual Continual Occasionally Continual Infrequently Regularly Occasionally
<u>Work Activity</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake administrative tasks including intensive computer / keyboard work, filing, writing, participating in meetings, concentrating for long periods of time (regular, daily basis) • Use of technology including photocopiers, telephones including mobiles, fax, overhead projectors, televisions, video, electronic white boards, drill presses and guillotines. • Undertake manual handling of equipment (eg, lifting, pulling, pushing, transferring, twisting) on a daily basis. • Participation in hazard identification and improvement strategies. 	Occasionally Occasionally Continual Continual
<u>Work relationships</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work within a team environment • Professional interaction with medical nursing and admin staff • Interact with colleagues and other hospital staff • Interact with members of the public • Interact with patients and relatives 	Continual Continual Continual Regularly Continual

Performance Review:

Six months after commencement of employment, then annually thereafter. Interim reports are completed after every six months or less, as determined by the Department Line Manager and Chief Executive Officer.

I,

Agree to undertake the duties as specified in the position description, and accept the appointment in accordance with the responsibilities stated above. My signature acknowledges confirmation of the terms and conditions offered.

As an occupant of this position, I have noted this statement of duties and agree to perform the duties indicated and observe all requirements of the organization's policies and procedures.

Signature: _____ Date:/...../.....