

West Wimmera Health Service

Position Description

Position:	Nurse Unit Manager – Rupanyup
Location:	Based at Rupanyup
Reporting to:	Director of Nursing - Rupanyup
Division:	Clinical Services
Award:	Nurses and Midwives (Victorian Public Health Sector) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2020 – 2024
Level:	NM10 – Nurse Unit Manager Level 1

Overview of West Wimmera Health Service

Our communities are the heart of West Wimmera Health Service. We are committed to delivering the highest quality health services and ensuring our services meet the needs of our population.

We deliver services across a 22,000 square kilometer region, which is home to nine rural townships including Nhill, Goroke, Jeparit, Kaniva, Rainbow, Natimuk, Minyip, Murtoa and Rupanyup.

<u>Our Purpose</u> – Great care, every person, every time.

Our Strategic Goals

Our people – Inclusive, Respectful, Productive

To be a great place to work where everyone contributes and everyone belongs.

Our Care – Safe, effective, Innovative

To fully embrace new technologies and processes that enable world class rural healthcare.

Our Community - Connected, Informed, Healthy

To be fully engaged with the communities we serve, supporting people to live longer, healthier and happier lives.

Our Future – Environmentally Responsible, Economically Secure

To maintain financial sustainability and develop an Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) strategy to align with the Service's operations with established ESG principles.

Our Values



West Wimmera Health Service acknowledges the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawajali, Wergaia and Jupagalk Nations as Traditional Owners of country and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

We celebrate, value and include people of all backgrounds, genders, sexualities, cultures, bodies and abilities

Position Relationships:

Key Internal Relationships	Key External Relationships
Residents	Consumers
 Multi-disciplinary Team 	Families
 Director of Nursing 	Consultants
Executive Director	Community
 Visiting Medical Officer's 	Visitors
Volunteers	
Students	

Position Overview:

The Nurse Unit Manager will lead a team of nursing professionals and health care workers to deliver quality care in a renowned and fully accredited residential aged care facility, while being embraced in a supportive culture, for career development by one of Victoria's largest rural health services.

The Nurse Unit Manager works with the Director of Nursing to coordinate the clinical team, resident and patient assessment and documentation, and general needs related to the Rupanyup facility.

Strong communication skills, diplomacy and the ability to take the lead and be part of the team are essential.

Key Responsibilities:

- To ensure the health service delivers quality services at all times.
- To continuously improve health service delivery through effective management of the facility.
- Oversee all supervisory duties of the unit, overseeing Registered Nurses, Enrolled Nurse and Health Care Workers.

Statement of Duties

Professional Practice:

- Ensure familiarity with the expected standards of performance in the role and actively contribute to own personal development.
- Maintain a good working knowledge of and adherence to standards and legislation relevant to the role and actively promote compliance to any such standards and legislation.
- Ensure staff have a well-developed knowledge of the current aged care funding instrument process so validation is maintained via assessments and documentation.
- Comply with all relevant WWHS policies and procedures and any program specific guidelines.
- Attend required clinical and staff meetings and education.
- Work in accordance with West Wimmera Health Service's Code of Conduct and demonstrate commitment to the Service's core values.
- Recognise, respond and escalate changes in the residents and / or patient's condition.
- Set work schedules, delegate assignments, assign tasks and evaluate employee job performance, as well as performance management as required to ensure excellent resident and patient care.
- Mentor staff, offering clinical and career advancement opportunities.
- Set goals and standards, applying evidence-based standards and health care research.
- Monitor resident and patient care to ensure it meets the standards, and review documentation and assessment records to analyze the effectiveness and efficiency of the care provided.
- The Nurse Unit Manager will consult with all relevant parties to determine preferred and recommended treatment options in line with the Aged Care Quality Standards.
- The Nurse Unit Manager not only monitors overall care, they review an individual resident's necessary care, especially if it is complicated or if the resident/patient is not responding to treatment.
- Address questions or complaints brought forward by residents or their families.
- The Nurse Unit Manager in collaboration with the Director of Nursing oversees the budget, including personnel, supplies and other expenses; and the maintenance of an adequately skilled workforce, including recruitment, training and staff development programs.
- Any other associated duties as delegated by the Director of Nursing Rupanyup at any time.

Quality, Safety and Risk Management:

- Continually work towards ensuring care adheres to the Aged Care Quality Standards.
- Ensure compliance at all times, with mandatory education competencies by the due date in accordance with West Wimmera Health Service policies and protocols.
- Participate in relevant quality improvement activities as directed by the Director of Nursing.
- Identify and report relevant risks including those relating to People and Culture management, industrial relations and actively work other staff as appropriate to effectively manage such risks.
- Ensure you are aware of the West Wimmera Health Service's emergency procedures.

Communication:

- Maintain a professional and friendly approach in all interpersonal communication with residents, families, volunteers and colleagues.
- Ensure effective and open lines of communication with other relevant team members and the West Wimmera Health Service management staff.
- Maintain confidentiality as per West Wimmera Health Service Policy and in accordance with relevant privacy and health records legislation.
- Demonstrated capacity to effectively give and receive constructive feedback and/or criticism.
- Demonstrated capacity to effectively manage conflict at a personal level and to appropriately escalate matters beyond a personal level.
- Establish, develop and maintain trust and confidence with line managers and direct reports.
- Work effectively consistent with policies and procedures to and agreed performance and behavioural expectations.

Key Selection Criteria

Essential:

- 1. Effective communication and organisational skills.
- 2. Current APHRA registration as a Registered Nurse.
- **3.** Well-developed leadership and communication (written and oral) skills, including negotiation and mediation, conflict resolution and problem solving.
- **4.** Well-developed understanding of electronic documentation systems, and current aged care funding tools.
- **5.** Demonstrated understanding and commitment to quality improvement and the Aged Care Quality Standards.
- 6. Ability to motivate a team and display the values of West Wimmera Health Service.
- 7. Well-developed and recent clinical skills to deliver excellent resident care.
- **8.** Current knowledge of legislative obligations for Equal Employment Opportunity, Disability Services and Occupational Safety Health and how these impact on employment and service delivery.

Desirable:

- 9. Hold or working towards a tertiary qualification in management.
- 10. Post-graduate qualification in relevant to specialty/management or progression towards.

Pre-Requisites for Employment:

- 11. NDIS Worker Screening Check.
- 12. Working with Children Check.
- 13. Vaccinated for COVID-19.
- **14.** Influenza vaccination.
- 15. Australian Driver's License.

Internal Direct Reports:

Director of Nursing

External Direct Reports:

Nil

Appraisal:

- Initial appraisal 3 months after appointment
- Thereafter 12 monthly.

Certification:

We hereby agree that the details contained in this document are an accurate statement of the primary requirements of the position.

Authorised By Executive Director of Clinical Services	
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Signature:	Date:
Position Incumbent Name:	

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