

# **Position Description**

**Position Title:** Grade 1 Physiotherapist (casual)

Reports to: Physiotherapy Manager

**Department:** Physiotherapy

**Directorate:** Community Care & Mental Health

Cost centre: N3002

**Code & classification:** Physiotherapist Grade 1 Years 1 – 4 (VA3-VA7)

**Employment conditions:** Allied Health Professionals (Victorian Public Health Sector) Single

Interest Enterprise Agreement 2021-2026 and its successors and GV Health Policies and Procedures (and as varied from time to time)

GV Health is an equal opportunity employer and continually strives to build a diverse, equitable and inclusive workforce that reflects our community. We encourage applications from people of all backgrounds.

Statements included in this position description are intended to reflect in general the duties and responsibilities of the position. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of responsibilities, duties and skills required. GV Health may alter the duties of this position description if and when the need arises. Any such changes will be made in consultation with the affected employee(s).

#### **POSITION SUMMARY**

The Grade 1 Physiotherapist will function as a member of the multidisciplinary team and will be responsible for the delivery of high-quality physiotherapy care through applying clinical skills in the assessment, planning, implementation of treatment and management of patients/clients in their designated work area.

Grade 1 Physiotherapists may work across different areas as required including surgical, medical, critical care unit (CCU), emergency department, subacute (rehabilitation & GEM), outpatients, ambulatory aged care programs or across different areas providing leave cover.

The Physiotherapy Department provides comprehensive physiotherapy services to emergency, acute, and subacute inpatients, as well as to outpatients & community. Our physiotherapy services are patient focused, efficient and effective, consistently meeting established standards of excellence.

Our team always strives for continuous improvement, with ongoing evaluation of the quality and outcomes of physiotherapy intervention. This position amongst others is responsible for promoting GV Health as a quality regional health service provider.

The Physiotherapist will apply current evidence-based practice and develop effective methods of patient management, communication and information sharing with other services and health professionals. This position is supported by management and senior physiotherapists within the clinical areas for leadership, management and quality improvement.

# **RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES**

# The following duties are inclusive of but not limited to

 Provision of physiotherapy services including assessment, treatment and management of patients, within an independent case load



- Effective discharge planning, care co-ordination, referral and education for patients and carers
- Provision of advice and guidance for community and other providers regarding physiotherapy interventions
- Attend relevant huddles, Daily Operating Systems (DOS), and handover meetings to represent the physiotherapy perspectives in patient care and discharge planning.
- Participation in relevant team data collections & audits as required
- Assisting with the supervision of student placements and allied health assistants
- Participation in the rotational weekend & public holiday roster
- Provide a high-quality service to internal customers and consumers that reflects best practice and adds value to GV Health.
- Demonstrate appropriate clinical skills and capabilities at a grade 1 level

#### **KEY SELECTION CRITERIA**

# Formal Qualification(s) and Required Registration(s):

- Bachelor of Physiotherapy or equivalent professional qualification
- Current registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) as a Physiotherapist

## **Essential:**

- At least 12 months Physiotherapy experience, ideally in a public hospital setting
- Current registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency as a Physiotherapist
- Sound understanding of physiotherapy practice in the inpatient and community setting, across a range of clinical areas including musculoskeletal, neurological, respiratory and geriatrics.
- Sound communication and interpersonal skills including an ability to liaise with a wider range of internal and external providers at all levels
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively within an inter-disciplinary team environment
- Excellent organisational skills and an understanding of efficient time management
- Willingness to participate in a positive manner in clinical supervision programs
- Ability to work across weekends and/or public holidays as required
- Ability and willingness to work effectively within a multidisciplinary team environment, including the ability to create and maintain effective professional relationships.

## **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

- AHPRA registration is maintained and working within scope of practice
- · Attendance and active participation at meetings as required
- 100% compliance with core competencies and training requirements as outlined in the GV Health Education Framework
- Adherence to the Australian Physiotherapy Council code of conduct
- Deliver Physiotherapy services in line with established departmental guidelines and best practice, prioritising referrals based on clinical need.
- Statistics are completed & submitted in a timely manner



### AT GV HEALTH ALL STAFF ARE REQUIRED TO

- Demonstration of GV Health values and behaviours, being a role model for living the values,
   Compassion, Respect, Excellence, Accountability, Teamwork and Ethical Behaviour;
- Maintain an understanding of individual responsibility for consumer safety, quality and risk and adhere to the relevant policies, procedures and guidelines;
- Development and maintaining of collaborative relationships with all other teams and professionals;
- This role may from time to time deal with distress, anxious or upset consumers or members of the
  public. GV Health is committed to the physical and psychosocial safety of our staff. GV Health staff are
  required to comply with all safety related training, look after the safety and well-being of themselves
  and each other, and actively foster a safe working environment;
- Maintain a safe working environment for yourself, your colleagues and members of the public;
- Identify, report and manage risks and ensure actions are taken to prevent and minimise harm to consumers and the GV Health workforce:
- Contribute to organisational quality and safety initiatives;
- Observe and comply with child safe principles, standards and expectations of appropriate behaviour toward and in the company of children;
- Complete the mandatory training requirements as defined by GV Health
- Minimise the risk of infection to consumers, residents, employees, visitors, contractors and the general public:
- Seek internal customer or consumer feedback and respond accordingly to identify areas of needs;
- Comply with requirement of National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and other relevant standards, regulations and legislative requirements;
- Comply with the principles of patient and family centred care;
- Not smoke or vape on GV Health premises;
- Comply with immunisation requirements as per the Department of Health Victoria;
- Comply with all applicable to position pre-employment checks, which may include but is not limited to; police checks, working with children's check (WWCC), National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), Aged Care screening requirements.

## **ACCEPTANCE:**

I acknowledge and accept that this Position Description represents the general outline of duties, responsibilities and accountabilities that are expected of me in my employment in the position, and may not encompass every aspect of the position. I understand that The GV Health reserves the right to modify position descriptions as required, however I will be consulted when this occurs.

I acknowledge and accept that I must complete and maintain all relevant pre-employment screening and checks for successful employment.

I acknowledge and accept that that I have read and fully understand this Position Description. I agree that I have the ability to fulfil the inherent requirements of the position, and accept my role in fulfilling the responsibilities, activities, duties and generic position requirements.

I acknowledge I will be required to undertake the duties as set out in the position description (and any other duties as requested in accordance with my skills and experience) to the best of my ability and, at all times follow lawful direction.

By accepting the contract of employment, I am agreeing to duties and obligations within the Position Description.



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### **ABOUT US**

Goulburn Valley (GV) Health is a Regional Public Hospital and Health Service for the Hume Region of Victoria, with main campuses located at Shepparton, Tatura, Rushworth and Euroa. The main campus in Shepparton is the major acute referral hospital for the sub region. Additional satellite sites are also located in Shepparton, Seymour, Benalla, Cobram, Echuca and Wodonga. GV Health provides a range of acute, subacute, mental health, aged, primary health and community services.

#### **OUR PURPOSE**

To significantly improve the health and wellbeing outcomes and experiences of the people and communities in our care.

#### **OUR VALUES**

GV Health's culture centres around our CREATE values and behaviours. Through these values and behaviours we commit to delivering ongoing quality healthcare for our community:



COMPASSION RESPECT

EXCELLENCE ACCOUNTABILITY

TEAMWORK
ETHICAL BEHAVIOUR

GV Health Vision and Values: Values and Vision - GV Health

# **OUR STRATEGIC PLAN**

The Goulburn Valley Health Strategic Plan 2024-2026 provides the direction for GV Health with our five strategic pillars being:

- Health and Wellbeing Outcomes: Improve health and outcomes for the population in our region
- Community and Consumer Experience: Ensure everyone has an outstanding personalised experience
- Our Staff Experience: Our people feel connected, supported, safe and well
- Responsible Workplace: Be sustainable and efficient
- Health Equity: Embrace differences in how we design and deliver healthcare

GV Health Strategic Plan: Strategic Plan 2024-2026 - GV Health

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

**Application tips:** <u>Application Tips - GV Health</u> **GV Health:** https://www.gvhealth.org.au/about/

Child Safety and Wellbeing: Child Safety and Wellbeing - GV Health Living in Goulburn Valley: Goulburn | Regional Living Victoria

GV Community Connector: Community Connector Program for Businesses