

# **Position Description**

Position Title: Pharmacy Technician

**Reports to:** Deputy Director of Pharmacy

**Department:** Pharmacy

**Directorate:** Clinical Operations

Cost centre: N0002

Code & classification: Grade 2 (TH6)

**Employment conditions:** Health and Allied Services, Managers and Administrative Workers

(Victorian Public Sector) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise

Agreement 2021-2025

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 Pharmacy Technician supports the day-to-day operations of the Pharmacy Department at **Goulburn Valley Health (GV Health)** and its **contracted health services**. Working under the supervision of a registered pharmacist, the role is responsible for assisting in the safe, efficient, and effective delivery of pharmacy services.

Duties include medication distribution and imprest management, data entry, prescription dispensing, sterile and non-sterile preparation, medication re-packing, stock ordering, and inventory control.

The Pharmacy Technician also liaises with pharmacy and hospital staff to support optimal medication management and ensure smooth workflow across GV Health campuses and partner health facilities.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES**

## The following duties are inclusive of, but not limited to, the following:

- Work cohesively within a team environment.
- Work efficiently per the daily work roster and be able to travel across the site to manage pharmaceuticals.
- Attend to face-to-face and telephone enquiries professionally and proficiently within the scope of a pharmacy technician's responsibility.
- Be proficient with Pharmacy Department Software.
- Dispense medication under the supervision of a pharmacist.
- Review all medication orders for legibility, legality, and safety and initiate follow-up, where necessary, by consulting with a pharmacist.
- Assisting with inventory activities, including the generation and receipt of orders as required for GV Health and supported Health Services.



- Be proactive in recommending cost-effective drug therapy within the scope of practice.
- Update the pharmacy system with changes to purchasing sources and details as required by the Director
  of Pharmacy and routine monthly product file updates.
- Undertake regular imprest reviews as a pharmacy team member to ensure that the system remains current and efficient.
- Participate in ongoing drug utilisation and audit activities, as required.
- Undertake training as required to fulfil components of the role.
- Participate in sterile and non-sterile manufacturing training.
- Prepare sterile oncology products for use within the clinical area(s).
- Undertake administrative duties as required.
- Provide support in PBS prescription processing and Medicare claim activities.
- Participate in the pharmacy's professional development program. Participate in the organisation, development and delivery of department education programs for pharmacy students, pre-registrants or other pharmacy technicians.
- Assist the Deputy Director of Pharmacy in developing and reviewing policies and procedures for the pharmacy department, particularly with dispensing, inventory and imprest management activities.
- Seek opportunities to improve the pharmacy services provided by GV Health internally and with our external partners in conjunction with the Director of Pharmacy.
- Assist the Deputy Director of Pharmacy with other duties if required.

#### **KEY SELECTION CRITERIA**

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

 Certificate III in Health (Hospital Pharmacy Technician) awarded by a registered training organisation or equivalent qualification (as approved by the Pharmacy Board of Victoria or equivalent body).

#### **Essential:**

- Excellent verbal communication and writing skills, and basic IT skills
- Work in specialised areas such as sterile cytotoxic manufacturing, drug utilisation, and evaluation.
- Ability to achieve outcomes in a small team, working towards shared goals
- Demonstrate familiarity with the use of computer-based pharmacy systems and procedures
- Willing to take part in working weekends and public holidays as required.

### Desirable:

Experience in the provision of hospital pharmacy service.

## **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

## Your performance will be measured through your successful achievement of:

 Demonstrating GV Health CREATE values and behaviours and being a role model for living the values of Compassion, Respect, Excellence, Accountability, Teamwork and Ethical Behaviour



## ALL GV HEALTH STAFF ARE REQUIRED TO

- Demonstrate GV Health's CREATE values and behaviours and be a role model for living the values of 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 quidelines:
- Develop and maintain collaborative relationships with all other teams and professionals;
- Promote and enable efficient teamwork and service provision both within the department and/or organisation and with other service providers;
- Contribute to a safe working environment and ensure compliance with legislative requirements concerning Occupational Health and Safety, anti-discrimination, and equal opportunity;
- 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 and maintain all mandatory training requirements as defined by GV Health and actively
  engage in the Performance Development Review process;
- Minimise the risk of infection to consumers, residents, employees, visitors, contractors and the general public;
- Comply with requirements of the 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;
- Do not smoke or vape on GV Health premises;
- Comply with immunisation requirements as per the Victorian Department of Health, Victoria;
- Comply with all applicable position pre-employment checks that are relevant to the role, which may
  include but are not limited to: police checks, Working with Children's Check (WWCC), National
  Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and Aged Care screening requirements;
- In this role, you may occasionally interact with distressed, anxious or upset consumers or members of the public. GV Health is committed to the physical and psychosocial safety of our staff. All 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.

#### **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 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 I have read and fully understand this Position Description. I agree that I can 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 agree to the duties and obligations within the Position Description.

Clinical Operations	Pharmacy Technician – Grade 2
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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**: <u>https://www.gvhealth.org.au/about/</u>

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