

SAFE, THRIVING & CONNECTED THERAPEUTIC PROGRAM

POSITION SUMMARY

Title:	Safe, Thriving & Connected Program – Therapeutic Clinician
Classification:	Social and Community Services Award (SACS Award) Social Worker Class II. Translates to the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Award 2010 – Level 5, pay point dependent upon experience.
Team/Unit:	Safe Thriving and Connected
Work Location:	Office base is Bendigo at the Centre for Non Violence, 96-98 Pall Mall, Bendigo with work as assigned in the Loddon Area.
Hours:	.8 EFT – 1 EFT (Full time) as negotiated.
Length of contract:	Ongoing.
Salary Range:	Salary and conditions of employment are as per Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010 (SCHADS) and the Employee Bargaining Agreement (EBA). Copies of both the SCHADS Award and EBA are available at our office.
Hours of Work:	Normal hours of work between 8am and 7:00 pm Monday to Friday or as per outlined in the Enterprise Bargaining Agreement of the employing partner organisation. Some office based after-hours work expected
Accountability:	Safe Thriving and Connected Practice Lead

CONSORTIUM VISION

A future where all women and their children experience gender and social equality, living to their full potential.

ROLE CONTEXT

Safe, Thriving & Connected is an innovative and integrated safety and recovery approach that will deliver specialist therapeutic interventions to victim survivors experiencing and/or recovering from family violence.

Safe, Thriving & Connected has been developed and will be delivered by The Loddon Gender Equality and Violence Prevention Consortium (“the consortium”), who have a long history in working in partnership and are experienced service providers in the delivery of integrated and coordinated specialist family violence services and system responses across the Loddon area. The consortium members are:

- Centre for Non Violence (lead agency);
- Annie North Women’s Refuge and Domestic Violence Service;
- Women’s Health Loddon Mallee;
- Centre Against Sexual Assault Central Victoria; and
- Cobaw Community Health.

By partnering and sharing our specialist expertise and approaches, we will:

- Increase regional access to a range of therapeutic modalities, services and supports to all victim survivors of family violence;
- Work with clients across the continuum of intervention to identify and respond to their therapeutic needs and enabling them to recover and thrive;
- Work with all victim survivors of family violence including clients from diverse groups; and
- Build on the significant capacity and expertise and provide opportunities for joined up service and system responses that deliver strong therapeutic outcomes for victim survivors of family violence whilst ensuring their safety and keeping perpetrators in view.

Safe, Thriving & Connected will provide a range of trauma informed and evidenced based therapeutic programs and services to support recovery and healing. Interventions and services will be accessible across the Loddon area and embedded within the broader service system responses. We will build on existing entry points and referral pathways by providing a framework for assessing risk and safety, therapeutic readiness, case management and transition to community supports that sustain healing and recovery.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES OF THE ROLE

Therapeutic Clinicians will deliver a range of trauma informed, evidence based and flexible individual and group interventions for children, young people and adults who have experienced family violence.

The primary objectives of the role are to:

- Provide high quality trauma and violence therapeutic services to women, women and their children, young people and their families and adult victim/survivors;
- Conduct assessments including Specialised risk and safety assessments and therapeutic readiness, and develop therapeutic treatment plans for clients as required, working with care teams to achieve the goals within the specified time frame;
- Depending on agency programs, services and priorities: therapeutic recovery group programs for women, children and young people, individual counselling using evidence-based modalities such as narrative, EMDR, art/play therapy and other modalities consistent with DHS Practice guidelines: women and children's family violence counselling and support programs;
- Utilise flexible brokerage packages to support recovery;
- Undertaking exit planning for increased social connection and support;
- To work co-operatively with internal and external stakeholders and service providers concerning the child development, mental health and well-being needs of infants, children and adult victim/survivors of family violence;
- Participate in a community of practice and clinical supervision
- To support the evaluation of the model; and

- Ensuring all program requirements are met including data collection, record keeping and adherence to agreed practice standards and requirements.

EXPECTATIONS

- Conduct oneself in accordance with the Centre for Non Violence's Code of Ethics
- Contribute to achievement of the Centre for Non Violence strategic plan
- Support the Consortium's Strategic Plan to stop violence against women
- Never commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women
- Understanding of and commitment to inclusion and cultural safety
- Have a demonstrated understanding of and commitment to the principles of equity, diversity, continual improvement, risk management and occupational health and safety
- Ability to flexibly manage competing priorities and stressful situations, monitoring own stress levels and practicing and promoting self-care strategies

KEY SELECTION CRITERIA

1. **Mandatory:** An appropriate Bachelor degree level or higher qualification in a Health or Social Sciences related field such as Psychology, Social Work, Family Therapy, Counselling or related discipline.
2. **Mandatory:** A demonstrated understanding of feminist practice and its application in responding to the gendered nature of violence against women and its impact on children and young people.
3. Demonstrated ability to provide direct service in the clinical assessment of and therapeutic service response to infants, children, young people and families, and to comply with service delivery requirements.
4. An understanding of the complexity of the service system and the issues involved in providing services to statutory and non-statutory clients, with the ability to work in a complicated environment.
5. Ability to provide secondary consultation and advice to non-clinical staff, including parents, health, education and statutory services.
6. Demonstrated understanding of and respect for the needs of people with a disability, those from a culturally and linguistically diverse background and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, particularly in relation to cultural safety and awareness.
7. Demonstrated ability to collect and collate data and provide written reports and complete administration tasks related to the delivery of the program.
8. Excellent written and oral communication skills.

APPLICATION PROCESS

To be considered for shortlisting and an interview, applications must include the following:

- Covering letter, to be considered for multiple roles please indicate your preferences in your

cover letter;

- Each Key Selection Criteria must be addressed, and it is essential that the information you provide is clear, concise and most importantly relevant, so that the selection panel can readily assess your application. You will need to demonstrate that you have the necessary knowledge, experience and qualifications to successfully carry out the duties of the position;
- Current Resume; and
- The names and contact details of three professional referees, ideally one should be from your supervisor and your most recent employer.

Safety Screening and Mandatory Criteria

- All competitive applicants are subject to a satisfactory National Police History Check as part of the recruitment assessment process;
- Applicants who have lived overseas for 12 months or longer during the past 10 years are required to provide the results of an international police check;
- A current Employee Working with Children Check (WWCC) card is required and will need to be provided prior to commencement of employment by the applicant. Currency will need to be maintained by the employee for the period of employment;
- All employees are subject to child safety screening and assessment against child safety standards as part of our thorough recruitment process;
- Employee's must hold a valid driver's license.

APPLICATIONS

Applications for these vacancies will be processed as received and first round will be held late February.

To be considered for next round interviews applications to be received by Monday 9th March.

For more information about these roles call Karen, People and Culture Manager CNV on 54303000

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