# **Nepean Community & Neighbourhood Services**

### **Position Description**

**Title:** Aboriginal Early Childhood Worker

Status: Permanent Part Time (contract to December 2017)

Hours/Days: 18 hours per week

**Requirement:** Aboriginality

Salary & Conditions: In accordance with SCHADS Level 4 and above award conditions

Accountable to: Day-to-Day –Team Leader Early Childhood

Overall - NCNS Board of Management & General Manager

Funding: Indigenous Advancement Strategy

## **Overall Aim:**

Working with families to increase measures per the IAS guidelines

#### 1. Primary Responsibilities

- Develop, implement and supervise a new Aboriginal Supported Playgroup at St Marys, based on the successful Kooly Playgroup model
- Foster partnerships to bring early childhood services to create a holistic wrap-around playgroup (eg Immunisation Clinic; Early Intervention Screening; Speech & OT; hearing checks)
- To attend home visits with the Aboriginal Family Worker to advise and support the families on issues impacting children.
- Develop engaging and fun children's activities and participate in outreach children activities with other NCNS staff – to engage new families in the service
- To support the positive interaction of parents/carers with their children at any activity taking place
- To develop effective referral links and networks to NCNS activities (eg parenting programs) as well as referrals to the casework team
- To ensure that relevant and up-to-date information is available for Aboriginal families.

## 2. Core Responsibilities

#### a. Team Maintenance

- To work as a team member
- Ability to work unsupervised as required
- Develop and maintain team relationship providing support and feedback
- Attend monthly team meetings, organisational planning, evaluation and team building days or other activities as they evolve.
- Ensuring the workplace, work premises, work practices and plant and equipment used by staff, contractors, clients and visitors are without risk to health and safety as far as is reasonable and practical

#### b. Administration

- Maintaining administrative workload time sheets, case notes, statistics, correspondence, filing, cheque requisitions, quarterly worker's report and other documentation as required
- Adhering to Spyns Inc's Policies and Procedures, Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct

- Working within the defined budget
- To assist the organisational development of NCNS by attendance at designated working parties

## c. Professional Development

- Attend and participate in regular supervision with your supervisor
- Participate in annual staff appraisal process
- To keep abreast of issues impacting on your work
- Attend conferences/training as appropriate

#### d. Service Promotion

- To represent the program and the organisation in a positive and professional manner in all dealings with other agencies or service users
- To promote the service through the community and with community partners

**Please note** that under our Child Protection and Notification Policy all staff will need to Provide their current Working With Children clearance number.