

Indigenous Health Project Officer (IHPO)

Townsville or Mackay

About us

Northern Queensland Primary Health Network (NQPHN) is one of 31 regionalised and independent PHNs established nationally by the Commonwealth Department of Health to provide local communities with better access to improved primary healthcare services.

The NQPHN region extends from Moranbah in the south, up to the Torres Strait in the north, and west to Croydon and Kowanyama.

NQPHN aims to improve health outcomes for all residents by supporting, investing in, and working collaboratively with local Hospital and Health Services, the primary healthcare sector, local government areas (LGAs), other health organisations, and the wider community.

Find out more about NQPHN at www.nqphn.com.au

The role

The Northern Queensland Primary Health Network (NQPHN) Indigenous Health Project Officer (IHPO) will be responsible for assisting in the delivery of Integrated Team Care (ITC) within the Department of Health's Integrated Team Care Program implementation guidelines.

The purpose of the IHPO role is to improve access for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to mainstream primary health services, general practices and allied health services within Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs) catchment areas. The IHPO will also work closely with the Integrated Team Care Coordinators and Outreach Workers to deliver culturally competent health care services, establish stakeholder relationships and service linkages to improve health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The IHPO position will be working and supporting ACCHOs, mainstream services such as Hospital and Health Services, allied health, and general practice throughout rural and remote communities, with the aim of improving access to and achieving better health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples within the NQPHN region.

The successful candidate

- It is essential that the person who holds this position be an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person and is therefore a genuine occupational requirement under section 25, 104 and 105 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld).
- Minimum Certificate IV or Diploma in a health-related discipline and two-three years' experience in a similar role.



NQPHN acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as Australia's First Nation Peoples and the Traditional Custodians of this land. We respect their continued connection to land and sea, country, kin, and community. We also pay our respect to their Elders past, present, and emerging as the custodians of knowledge and lore.



- Demonstrated ability to engage with ACCHOs, Hospital and Health Services, mainstream general practice, as well as allied health services in the community.
- Good written communication skills, with demonstrated experience in agenda preparation, minute taking, and correspondence preparation.
- Demonstrated ability to maintain discretion and confidentiality with regard to sensitive information.
- Good knowledge of Microsoft Office suite and the ability to become proficient in other software programs as required.
- Well-developed organisational and problem-solving skills.
- A high level of attention to detail.

If you are looking for the opportunity to be part of a passionate and driven team and contribute to achieving our mission of 'Northern Queenslanders live happier, healthier, longer lives,' we'd love to hear from you.

NQPHN aims to be an employer of choice for Indigenous Australians, and it is essential that the person who holds this position be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.

For further information on this position and to view the position description, please visit our website: <u>bit.ly/ngphn-vacancies</u>

Your application should include:

- Cover letter.
- Response to the Key Selection Criteria (no more than two pages).
- Your resume.

To submit an application for this position, please send your application to recruitment@ngphn.com.au

Applications close Monday 18 July 2022 at 5pm.