

# VET Teacher: Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work (CHC43515)

# **Position Description**

| Date: September 2023   |  |
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| Reports to: Executive Director Service & Program Development                     | Direct Reports: Nil                        |
| Conditions: Casual   | <b>Salary:</b> \$65.00 to \$75.00 per hour |
| The position is based at Mental Health Victoria's office in Melbourne, Victoria. |  |

#### **MENTAL HEALTH VICTORIA**

Mental Health Victoria (MHV) is the peak body for Victoria's mental health sector. We work with carers, consumers, clinical and support services, medical colleges, professional associations, unions, police, emergency services, universities, governments and many others involved in mental health.

MHV's aim is to ensure that all Victorians living with mental illness can access the treatment and support they need to lead fulfilling lives in the community. To this end, we commission research and develop policy aimed at improving the mental health system as a whole and its many constituent parts. We bring together mental health system stakeholders through state and national events including conferences, summits and forums, and we auspice the Victorian Mental Health Policy Network and Service Reform Advocacy Network.

Mental Health Victoria engages in advocacy, the development of public policy, and the delivery of workforce development and training services that build individual, organisational and community capacity. Mental Health Victoria translates best evidence into practice for the benefit of its members and their staff, consumers and communities.

MHV played a key role in the advocacy leading up to the Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System. MHV currently plays a key role in ensuring that key stakeholders are engaged in the reform process in order to deliver world class mental health services to all Victorians. MHV's engagement and communications with internal and external stakeholders is critical in realising our organisational purpose.

#### **Our Vision**

Is for a society where everyone has equitable access to world-class mental health services.

#### **Our Purpose**

Is to ensure that people living with a mental illness or psychological distress can access effective and appropriate treatment and community support to enable them to participate fully in society.

#### **Our Values**

Service - we strive to understand the needs of those we serve and deliver accordingly;

One Team - working together respectfully, valuing each other, to deliver the best outcomes for members;

Integrity - each individual is accountable for their actions, their honesty and doing the right thing;

Courage - having the courage to deal with change - thinking boldly and finding new ways of doing things;

Achievement - pursuing personal, team and organisational excellence.

## **Position summary**

Mental Health Victoria is seeking a VET Teacher for the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work (CHC43515). This program is run in partnership with Wodonga TAFE. In consultation with and under the direction of the Coordinator, Learning & Development, the objective of this position is to prepare, conduct, and assess materials related to the course.

Wodonga TAFE and MHV have a long-standing partnership delivering the Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work (CHC43515). Teachers employed by MHV must comply with all compliance requirements as set out by Wodonga TAFE.

The role will back-fill current teachers, with the opportunity for growth.

This position is designated as a hybrid role with the opportunity to work from home by mutual agreement in line with MHV policy. You are required to provide, at your own expense, a reliable internet connection, your own device suitable for the execution of the role and OHS-compliant workspace (desk/table, seating, etc). You will at times be required to attend the MHV offices at Level 6/136 Exhibition Street Melbourne. It is expected that regular face to face interactions will occur with your reporting supervisor.

## **Position accountabilities**

- Provide high-quality, original, timely advice and responses to emerging issues in mental health
- Research, coordinate and prepare reports, policy submissions, policy papers, and other publications
- Support and/or lead the co-ordination of engagement activities including webinars, consultations and events with MHV members and stakeholders
- Engage with mental health organisations representing a diverse range of stakeholders to inform policy responses
- Represent Mental Health Victoria on local, state and national committees to advocate on mental health issues, as required

#### Key selection criteria

- Certificate IV in Training and Assessment (TAE40116 or equivalent units); or Diploma or higher level qualification in adult education
- Lived experience as a consumer or carer of mental health services and preparedness to use in the work context
- Desirable: Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work (CHC43515)
- Other relevant Tertiary/Vocational Education and training or Human Services qualifications (eg: mental health/social work)
- Demonstrated skills and knowledge of training development, delivery, assessment, evaluation and of adult learning principles and practice
- Experience working in the mental health sector
- Current Victorian Working with Children Check or current Victorian Institute of Teaching registration
- The capacity to support students who may require additional support

#### **Special Requirements**

• Background checks (social media, police and other as required)

#### **OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

Your position will be based at the MHV office at Level 6, 136 Exhibition Street Melbourne, Victoria with flexible working arrangements offered in line with MHV policy. It is expected that regular face to face interactions will occur with your reporting supervisor. On occasions when working from home, staff are required to be able to provide, at their own expense, a reliable internet connection and OHS-compliant workspace (desk/table, seating etc.).