

Government of Western Australia Department for Child Protection and Family Support

JOB DESCRIPTION FORM

FORM 092 05/07

SECTION 1 – POSITION IDENTIFICATION

Position number:	Generic			
Title:	Residential Care Worker			
Classification:	Level 2			
Directorate:	Country Services			
Division:	Therapeutic Care Services			
Section:	Residential Care Services			
Award/Agreement:	Public Service Award 1992; relevant Public Service and Government Officers			
	General Agreement			
Location of position:	Various Metropolitan locations			

SECTION 2 – REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS

POSITION TITLE	CLASSIFICATION
Assistant Director	Specified Calling Level 4



August 2016

Reports to Level 6 / Manager / Senior Manager Specified Calling Level 3 Reports to

This position

POSITIONS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION:

Title	Classification

Level 2

SECTION 3 – DEPARTMENT VALUES

•	We value respect	•	We value teamwork
•	We value openness	•	We value responsiveness

SECTION 4 – STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

The Residential Care Worker is responsible for:

- Working as a member of a team to achieve best outcomes for children and young people. ٠
- Providing group and individual therapeutic residential care to children and young people. •
- Assisting in planning, developing and implementing activities for children and young people. •

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SECTION 5 – KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

No	Key Responsibility Area and Related Duties
1.	 Work with children and young people As a flexible and reliable team member, provides therapeutic residential care to groups and individual children and young people within the Department for Child Protection and Family Support Therapeutic Care Services Framework. Creates and maintains a safe and caring environment for children and young people, including taking physical control when necessary, according to specified standards. Plans, coordinates and participates in daily life and recreactional activities with children and young people to promote positive growth and development. Works therapeutically with children and young people who at times display challenging behaviour, in a way that is consistent with a team approach. Contributes to the daily routine and activities of children and young people and provides a high level of care, engagement and supervison (inclusive of supervising around swimming pools etc where applicable) Follows up on outstanding tasks and contributes toward identified outcomes for children and young people. Provides accurate written case notes and recording of activities and critical incidents to assist with the record keeping and meet statutory requirements.
2.	 Other duties Liaises with Department, government and non-government agencies and family members when appropriate or required. Performs administrative duties including data entry and provides written, verbal and computer reports. Undertakes and organises housekeeping and maintenance to ensure a positive and safe physical environment. Participates in training, performance management and staff development programs. Performs other duties as directed. Participates in Emergency Management and Response duties as required.

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SECTION 6 - WORK RELATED REQUIREMENTS

ESSENTIAL

- 1. Understanding of therapeutic residential group home care of traumatised children and young people from Aboriginal and other culturally and linguistically diverse groups.
- Demonstrated knowledge of engaging with children and young people in life skills and recreational activities, and commitment to promoting positive self-worth and development.
- 3. Ability to work therapeutically as a team member, to reflect on practice and evidence resillience.
- Certificate III and Certificate IV in Community Services (Protective/Residential Care) or approved equivalent OR equivalent experience in working with or caring for troubled children and young people who have experienced trauma.

SECTION 7 – ESSENTIAL EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

The occupant of this position will require the following prior to appointment:

- Current 'C or A' class driver's licence
- Current Senior First Aid Certificate
- Satisfactory Criminal Record and Departmental Checks
- Working with Children Check
- · Assessed medical fitness to undertake the duties of the position as required by the district
- Willingness to commit to shift work, including weekends and Public Holidays

SECTION 8 – CERTIFICATION

The details contained in this document are an accurate statement of the duties, responsibilities and other requirements of the position.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY:

(Director or above)

SIGNATURE:	
NAME:	
POSITION TITLE:	
DATE:	