



JOB DESCRIPTION FORM

Section 1 – POSITION IDENTIFICATION

GREAT SOUTHERN		Position No:	615622
Division:	Population Health	Title:	Consultant-Public Health Medicine
Branch:	Public Health	Classification:	MP Year 1-9
Section:		Award/Agreement	Medical Practitioners Agreement

Section 2 – POSITION RELATIONSHIPS

Responsible To	Title:	Regional Director
	Classification:	HSO Class 2
	Position No:	008024

Responsible To	Title:	Director Population Health
	Classification:	HSO Level G-11
	Position No:	007720

This position	Title:	Consultant – Public Health Medicine
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OTHER POSITIONS REPORTING DIRECTLY TO THIS POSITION:

Title
006018 Manager Primary Health Albany HSO LG-8
008059 Manager Primary Health Katanning HSO LG-8
008051 Regional Manager Public & Primary Health HSO LG-9
008064 Manager Aboriginal Health HSO LG-9
615352 Business Manager HSO LG-6

Positions under direct supervision:	Other positions under control:				
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Section 3 – KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsible for leading the disease control team and the provision of clinical expertise in communicable disease control.. Collaborating with WACHS-Great Southern staff and other key stakeholders to plan, implement and evaluate responses to emergencies that pose a threat to public health.

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The WA Country Health Service (WACHS) is the largest country health system in Australia and one of the biggest in the world, providing health services to approximately half a million people, including 45,000 Aboriginal people, over a vast two and a half million square kilometres area.

WA Country Health Service hospitals handle as many births as the State's major maternity hospital – and as many emergency presentations as Perth metropolitan hospitals combined. The range of health services provided cover population health, mental health, Aboriginal health and aged care.

Our dedicated and committed staff work hard to fulfil our purpose *Working together for a healthier country WA*, to deliver health services that support the health and well-being of individuals and communities in rural and remote Western Australia.

OUR PURPOSE

To improve, promote and protect the health of country Western Australians.

WHAT WE STAND FOR

Quality health services for all.

Improving the health of Aboriginal people and those most in need.

A fair share for country health.

Supporting our team – workforce excellence and stability.

OUR VALUES

Community – making a difference through teamwork, generosity and country hospitality.

Compassion – listening and caring with empathy and dignity.

Quality – creating a quality health care experience for every consumer.

Integrity – accountability, honesty and professional, ethical conduct in all that we do.

Justice – valuing diversity with a fair share for all.

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Section 4 – STATEMENT OF DUTIES

Duty No.	Details	Freq.	%
1	LEADERSHIP		
1.1	Leads the communicable disease control team providing clinical, professional and program management, direction and support.		
1.2	Contributes to the planning, implementation and evaluation of high quality services to enhance and protect the health of the population.		
	Provides leadership, direction and advice on:		
1.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issues associated with the delivery of health services across the region including the development, implementation and evaluation of evidence-based strategies, with an emphasis on disease prevention and health enhancement The effective and efficient delivery of public health programs including the management of disaster preparedness and emergency management response at a regional level Infection control, including supporting the Regional Infection Control Coordinator; and Environmental health, including the response to environmental health incidents 		
1.4	In collaboration with key stakeholders develop strategies to assist in the reduction of inequity and enhance the health of disadvantaged populations in the Great Southern.		
2	DISEASE CONTROL		
2.1	Ensures compliance with legislation relating to population health and disease control		
2.2	Manages outbreaks of communicable diseases and coordinates strategies to prevent transmission, including the delivery of effective immunisation services		
2.3	Collaborates with WACHS- Great Southern staff and key stakeholders to prevent, control and manage communicable diseases.		
2.4	Provides clinical consultancy to WACHS-Great Southern staff and key stakeholders on infectious disease prevention, control and management.		
3	EPIDEMIOLOGY, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT		
3.1	Identifies health issues and makes recommendations for action.		
	Makes recommendations based on evidence for appropriate public health interventions.		
3.2	Provides direction to and assists with the evaluation of population health interventions.		
3.3	Coordinates surveillance and in collaboration with key stakeholders develops appropriate actions.		
4	HEALTH PROTECTION		
4.1	Responds to emergencies that pose a threat to public health		
4.2	Ensures that public health emergency plans, including pandemic plans are in place and updated at a local and regional level		
4.3	Works with government and non-government agencies to develop and implement strategies to address threats to environmental health		
4.4	Liaises and coordinates with relevant key stakeholders to develop and enhance services that protect the community		
5	TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT		
5.1	Participates in the education and professional development of WACHS Great Southern staff and those of other relevant agencies in matters pertaining to public health.		
6	OTHER		
6.1	Undertake other duties as directed		
	The occupant of this position will be expected to comply with and demonstrate a positive commitment to the WACHS values and the highest achievement in demonstrating positive commitment to Equal Employment Opportunity, Occupational Safety & Health, Public Sector Standards, Code of Conduct, Code of Ethics, Quality Improvement, Performance Management, Customer Focus, Disability Services Act and Confidentiality throughout the course of their duties.		

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Section 5 – SELECTION CRITERIA

ESSENTIAL

1. Eligible for registration by the Medical Board of Australia
2. Demonstrated experience in public health practice
3. Demonstrated high level skills and experience in the development, implementation and evaluation of public health programs
4. Well-developed leadership, communication and interpersonal skills
5. Possession of a current 'C' class driver's licence

DESIRABLE

1. Experience in working in a cross cultural, rural or remote environment
2. Fellowship of the Australasian Faculty of Public Health Medicine or equivalent
3. Computer skills including familiarity with various data bases and data analysis software

Section 6 – APPOINTMENT FACTORS

Location	Albany	Accommodation	
Allowances/ Appointment Conditions	Appointment is subject to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of registration by the Medical Board of Australia must be provided prior to commencement • Completion of a 100 point identification check • Successful Criminal Record Screening clearance • Successful Pre- Placement Health Screening clearance • Current 'C' class drivers licence 		
Specialised equipment operated			

Section 7 – CERTIFICATION

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

Signature and Date: ____/____/____
Manager

Signature and Date: ____/____/____
Regional Director

As occupant of the position I have noted the statement of duties, responsibilities and other requirements as detailed in this document.

Name	Signature	Date Appointed	Date Signed

