

POSITION OVERVIEW

Casual Disability Support Worker CREATE Access

Position Purpose:

This position is within the CREATE Access Geelong department which provides individualised support to people with a disability in the Barwon South West Region. The Disability Support Worker role will service a variety of programs, including Work Assist, Create Your Future, and Futures for Young Adults, and is responsible for developing individualised goals for participants and to assist them to meet their nominated outcomes.

Conduct of this role is to be within the context of:

- CREATE Mission, Commitment, Values, and Culture;
- CREATE policy & operational procedures;
- CREATE Code of conduct and Code of practice; and
- CREATE Personal standards criteria;

Principal Accountabilities:

Accountable to the Team Leader ACCESS

- 1) Establishing positive, professional relationships with participants, their families, and extended networks;
- 2) Providing one-to-one support to participants with a disability as per case management guidelines;
- 3) To be abreast of community networks and resources that would benefit people with a disability;
- 4) Working proactively to engage support to assist participants transitioning to a more independent life; and
- 5) In Conjunction with the Key Workers Assist individuals to develop and realise their goals through engagement in the community;

Typical Duties

- 1) Manage allocated participant Case loads in line with organisational policies, procedures and relevant legislation;
- 2) Complete reporting requirements including case notes and reports and participating in regular supervision meetings to provide feedback on case planning and behaviour management strategies;
- 3) Complete any incident reports in line with CREATE and Department of Human Services (DHS) requirements as appropriate and keeping the Team Leader informed of status of incidents;
- 4) To approach and network with clubs, community organisations and potential employers on behalf of participants;
- 5) Liaising with participants, families, and carers and Team Leader in dealing with issues as they arise;
- 6) Be an active team member of the Access department and attend staff meetings and training as directed.

KEY POSITION CRITERIA

Essential to this position:

- 1) Relevant qualification(s) and experience;
- 2) Sound understanding of issues confronting people with a disability;
- 3) High level of interpersonal skills including the ability to listen and negotiate with a variety of people;
- 4) Strong commitment to supporting people with a disability to achieve their goals;
- 5) Ability to problem solve with creativity and initiative;
- 6) Ability to set priorities and effectively plan and organise work independently;
- 7) Ability to work as part of a team; and
- 8) High level of computer literacy skills.

Also essential to all CREATE employees is a high level of personal standards including:

- personal presentation;
- work attitude, commitment and dedication;
- professionalism;
- work relationships with peers, senior management and all other staff; and
- problem solving and conflict resolution skills

SUPPORT

This position will be resourced and supported by:

- open door access to Team Leader – CREATE Training;
- monthly monitoring and evaluation sessions;
- professional development opportunities; and
- access to the Chief Executive Officer via department manager if required.

PERFORMANCE

Annual performance and achievement reviews are assessed against:

- Position overview;
- Key position criteria;
- Specific objectives as set with the Manager; and
- Comprehensive reporting of core functions.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

Position Title

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CREATE ACCESS

Classification

Social and Community Services employee level 1 – 2, depending on skills and experience.
Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010.

Contract period

Start Date:

Position casual AND **provisional** upon appropriate funding levels.

Hours of work

As negotiated

Salary

Salary range is as per Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010, relevant government legislation and CREATE's policies and procedures.

Salary is paid fortnightly, directly into employee bank account upon receipt of a signed CREATE timesheet. Salary packaging is available within CREATE (Geelong) Inc. guidelines.

Vehicle

No vehicle is provided in resourcing this position however pooled vehicles may be available for approved business related travel.

Entitlements & conditions

Entitlements and conditions as specified within the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010 and relevant government legislation.

Location

The primary location for this position is based at CREATE's Head Office, Mackey Street, North Geelong.

Responsible to

Team Leader - Access

Variations

Employment variations and changes by exception must be agreed and authorised by the Chief Executive Officer and documented within relevant confidential employee file.

Delegated authority

The level of delegated authority is that required to fulfill areas of designated responsibility and as per CREATE delegation of authority policies and procedures or CEO authorised delegation by exception.

Termination

Employment termination by either employee or employer must be as per the conditions of the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010, and relevant government legislation.

Confidentiality

All confidential records, documents and other papers, together with any copies or extracts thereof and/or intellectual property, made or acquired by you in the course of your employment shall be the property of the organisation and must be returned to CREATE on the finalisation of your employment.

All CREATE staff members are required to sign a Confidentiality Agreement upon commencement of their employment.

MANDATORY

Mandatory to this position:

1. Provision of certified transcripts of academic record and statement(s) of relevant professional experience and training;
2. Curriculum vitae beginning with most current employment particulars;
3. Statement addressing key selection criteria;
4. Three current referees;
5. Satisfactory police check;
6. Working with children check if relevant in employee actually working with children; and
7. Current Driver's Licence.

POSITION APPLICATION

Applications for this position to be marked CONFIDENTIAL and forwarded to:

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Applications must be received by
