

Position Description

POSITION INFORMATION	
Position Title:	Podiatrist - Graduate
Position Term:	Full time/ part time
Hours:	As negotiated
Award/Agreement:	HSAU-3 Grade 1 Victorian Stand-Alone Community Health Centres Allied Health Professionals Enterprise Agreement 2021-2022
Location:	This position will be based primarily at the Lilydale and Belgrave sites but may work at other sites within the community.
Reports To:	Team leader- Healthy Living Team
Date:	November 2023

ABOUT INSPIRO

Inspiro is a local, not-for-profit health service providing allied health, counselling, dental and health promotion services to the Yarra Ranges community. Inspiro is committed to providing an equitable, inclusive and respectful service and workplace for all. We embrace differences in health needs, and work to provide individuals and communities the care necessary to lead healthier lives.

Our Vision:

Inspiring healthier lives. Our vision is to inspire as many people as we can to identify and achieve their own health goals.

Our Values:

Friendly: we offer a welcoming and accessible place where people are treated with respect and dignity.

Client centred: We support the right of each individual to set their own health goals and actively work alongside and empower people to reach them.

Local: we provide a strong community membership, board and workforce which keeps us grounded on what is important for clients.

Our work environment is based around the workplace values of respect, recognition, collaboration, openness, integrity, and empowerment.

POSITION SUMMARY

The podiatry service at Inspiro supports clients to maintain their foot health and independence through a mixture of publicly and privately funded work. Interventions include diabetes foot management, biomechanics, wound care, nail surgery and general foot health. The service provides evidence based, high quality, safe, client centred care that meets best practice standards.

The role will offer opportunities to be part of our growth strategy, focussing on an expanded model of chronic care and balancing the more complex caseload with a less complex MBS funded service.

A clinical supervision structure is in place to help you grow and develop with informal and peer support also readily available.

POSITION RESPONSIBLITIES

- Provide a person-centred, outcome-focused podiatry service to people from a variety of backgrounds and funding sources
- Plan treatment programs with clients that aim to promote independence, participation and enhanced quality of life.

Teamwork, Quality Improvement and Professional Development

- Participate in team and service planning, and other project activities as required.
- Participate in Inspiro's continual quality improvement program including the development and implementation of new practice models.
- Be committed to ongoing professional development and undertake annual mandatory training. Keep up to date with developments and trends within the broader health & community sector.
- Ensure Inspiro's services are accessible, client focused; developed, delivered, and evaluated in partnership with our diverse communities.
- Support Inspiro's staff values Recognition, Integrity, Respect, Openness, Collaboration and Empowerment.

Workplace culture

- Actively contribute to a work culture based on curiosity and accountability
 - that encourages open and effective communication and a positive response to new ideas.
 - in which feedback is seen as a strategy to enhance goals, awareness and learning and is a positive experience for those involved
 - o that is ready to seize opportunities as they arise and to act to achieve results.
 - o that keeps the client at the centre of everything we do
 - o that is responsive to service demand and is accountable
 - o that has a zero-tolerance approach towards disrespectful and discriminatory behaviour
 - that takes a trauma informed care approach to the way we deliver services and interact with one another.

TRAUMA INFORMED CARE

• Take a trauma informed care approach in relation to interactions with clients, staff, and others.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

- Take reasonable care to ensure no risk or harm to self and others in the workplace. This includes immediately reporting any incidents, near miss, hazards, and injuries.
- Comply with relevant Occupational Health and Safety laws, standards, safe work practices, policies and procedures and attend all safety initiatives, improvements & training.
- Act as a role model by demonstrating safe work behaviours and conducting work in accordance with our safety management system.
- Comply with best practice infection control guidelines and actively participate in education related to emergency procedures and in some circumstances, first aid courses.

Financials, Budgets, Targets, Funding

• Understand the business rules for relevant funding stream and achieve targets in all areas.

- Demonstrate working at full clinical diary caseload and take active steps to prevent fail-to-attends (FTAs) and cancellations.
- Understand the impact of FTAs on reaching targets and on fee for service business streams.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES AND INDICATORS

Performance Targets

- Achievement of a minimum of 6 direct/indirect client contact hours/billable hours per day
- Average of 10 appointments per day.
- Evidence of participation in team meetings and secondary projects as set in annual work plan
- Accurate and timely statistics reporting

Practice Framework

- Compliance with Inspiro podiatry service model and practice framework
- Compliance with APHRA, credentialing and accreditation requirements
- Compliance with Inspiro policy and procedures
- Compliance with documentation and data reporting requirements
- Compliance with file audits and peer review

Quality Improvement and Evaluation

- Evidence of participation in quality improvement activities
- Evidence of participation in professional development activities relevant to the position
- Review programs and groups annually
- Completion of mandatory training

Performance objectives and indicators will be discussed with your manager and a workplan developed.

Qualifications, knowledge, and experience

- Bachelor's degree in podiatry
- Current registration with AHPRA
- Interest in:
 - o chronic disease management, especially diabetes and vascular disease
 - o wound care
 - o paediatrics
 - o orthotic prescription and manufacture
- Foundation knowledge in contemporary clinical practice with commitment to maintain and update knowledge
- Demonstrated knowledge of and/or experience working within Chronic Care models
- Well-developed communication and interpersonal skills
- Commitment to maintain up to date file records and data collection processes
- Ability to use technology to achieve efficiencies
- Membership with Australian Podiatric Association would also be advantageous (but not essential).

Relevant Checks in place:

- Current Victorian Driver's Licence and the ability to drive a range of vehicles if required
- Working with Children's Check valid for employment purposes

- NDIS Clearance Check
- Employment is subject to a Police check. Persons who have worked overseas may be required to obtain an international police check.
- Must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and able to provide evidence of COVID-19 vaccination status.