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Group Activities Facilitator

POSITION: Group Activities Facilitator

HOURS: Casual (including Saturdays)

CLASSIFICATION: SCHADS Award Level 3 (\$71,841.97 - \$77,033.84) & EBA entitlements

LOCATION: Alice Springs

REPORTS TO: Program Manager

ENQUIRIES: (08) 8950 4600

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ABOUT MHACA

MHACA is a specialist psychosocial recovery and mental health promotion organisation with a strong presence and reputation in the community. We strive to make a difference in the lives of people with mental health challenges by supporting participant-driven mental health recovery. Our support services and health promotion programs aim to enhance the mental health and wellbeing of people living in Central Australia through:

- NDIS funded support coordination, capacity building, living skills and recreational activities
- individual and group supports for people experiencing mental health issues
- tenancy support for people experiencing mental health issues who are homeless or at risk of homelessness
- a Day Program offering a Drop-in Centre, group activities and peer support
- mental health promotion campaigns to reduce stigma and encourage help-seeking
- suicide prevention networks and events
- training in mental health first aid, suicide intervention, workplace health and related areas.
- advocacy for improved services at local, State and National levels.

Position summary:

The Group Activities Facilitator will work in MHACA's Day Program to deliver a range of group programs and assisting participants in the program to feel welcome and get involved.

Key responsibilities:

Role Specific

The Group Activities Facilitator will work as a member of the Day Program and will:

- in collaboration with the line manager and participants, develop and facilitate a flexible program of educational, therapeutic and creativity-based activities in response to participant interest
- ensure accurate planning and evaluation of developed programs

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- accompany participants to community activities and support them to participate
- ensure all activities meet WHS guidelines and are adequately risk assessed.
- attend staff and planning meetings (as required)
- maintain attendance records and client data
- actively participate in the organisation's quality, safety and risk management systems
- perform any other duties which may reasonably be expected in relation to the role.

Selection Criteria:

Essential

- A commitment to and interest in working with people who live with mental health challenges.
- An understanding of the issues that impact on people experiencing mental health challenges.
- Demonstrated skills in group facilitation and the organisation of group activities.
- Good time management and organisational skills.
- Computer and report writing skills.
- Ability to work independently and within a team environment.
- Capacity to communicate well to participants from a range of cultural backgrounds. This
 includes being a good listener.

Desirable

- Training in mental health or community services.
- Database entry (or willingness to learn).

What's in it for you:

- A competitive Salary that is above award.
- Salary Packaging meaning a large amount of your package is tax free.
- 6 weeks' annual leave and leave loading.
- Superannuation.
- Annual Wellbeing Allowance of \$400.
- 11 days of personal leave.
- Access to an Employment Assistance Program.
- Monthly supervision.
- A comprehensive training and development program.
- Flexible work hours in appropriate circumstances.

The successful applicant will be required to provide a current police check and NDIS Worker Screening Clearance ID prior to the commencement of employment.

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Applications <u>must</u> address the Selection Criteria and include a resume and contact details of 3 current referees. Please forward to <u>christine.boocock@mhaca.org.au</u>

For further information on the role contact Christine Boocock 08 89504600 or email christine.boocock@mhaca.org.au

Applications will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.