

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Diabetes Educator
Reporting to:	Clinical Lead
Status of Employment	Casual
Location	Karratha Central Healthcare
Direct Reports:	Nil

The Position

The Diabetes Educator (DE) provides client-centred education, guidance and self-management support to assist individuals and their families/carers to adjust to living with diabetes. The DE provides individual and group-based education in accordance with endorsed models of care.

DE is delivered as part of a multi-disciplinary team of health professionals, therefore collaboration is essential to ensure the best level of care is provided for clients. The DE is required to be flexible, and able to work in partnership with a diverse range of individuals, groups and community agencies.

Primary Responsibilities

- Provide safe, effective evidence-based care that is reflective of current knowledge, skills and experience in diabetes education, management and stabilisation.

Key Duties

Clinical Responsibilities

- Provide safe, effective, client-centred care that is reflective of current knowledge, skills and experience in diabetes education, management and stabilisation.
- Work within the Scope of Practice and in accordance with the Australian Diabetes Association's National Core Competency for Diabetes Educators, 'National Standards of Practice for Diabetes Educators' and 'National Standards for Diabetes Education Programs.'
- Undertake assessment, planning, documentation, delivery, and evaluation of comprehensive and culturally appropriate diabetes education activities for clients with Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes.
- Conduct client clinical education sessions including individual and group education in accordance with evidence based best practice, clinical diabetes guidelines and adult learning principles.

- Collaborate with members of the multi-disciplinary team and other relevant medical specialists and stakeholders to provide advice, knowledge, and support, and actively contribute to team meetings and case discussions as required.
- Contribute to the development of a suite of programs, services and initiatives to facilitate and promote good diabetes management and prevention to minimise the risk of diabetes related complications as required.

Operational Responsibilities

- Completion of administrative tasks, correspondence and reporting requirements.
- Maintain accurate and confidential client records in the client management system.
- Adherence to organisational policies and procedures and participation in continuous quality improvement activities and planning processes.
- Communicates effectively and accurately documents relevant information according to policies and procedures where applicable.
- Collaborates with members of the multidisciplinary team in the development and review of guidelines, protocols or templates.
- Perform other relevant clinical duties as directed by the Clinical Lead.

Occupational Health and Safety

- Maintain a safe environment for clients by ensuring compliance with workplace Occupational Health and Safety policies and procedures.
- Collaborate with other members of the team to maintain Occupational Health and Safety including appropriate identification and notification of action for hazards, slips, lapses, accidents and incidents.

Hours of Work

This position will be employed on a casual basis – minimum 1 day per month. Ordinary hours of work are Monday to Friday between the hours of 7.00am to 7.00pm, however there may be occasions where work outside of these hours is required.

In addition to your ordinary hours of work, you may be required to work reasonable additional hours that are necessary to fulfil your duties or as otherwise required.

Qualifications

Graduate Certificate of Diabetes Education or equivalent along with current Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) registration.

Supervisory Responsibilities

There are no staff supervisory responsibilities.

Selection Criteria

Essential

- Current Registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) in a relevant field.
- Qualifications in Diabetes Education.
- Demonstrated cultural sensitivity and commitment to person centred care models.
- Demonstrated experience in providing diabetes education and promoting patient self-management within hospital, primary care and/or community setting.
- Demonstrated experience and understanding of pharmacology of diabetes medications including competence in insulin titration.
- Demonstrated, well developed interpersonal and communication skills.
- Ability to develop and maintain productive relationships with clients, their caregivers and within a multidisciplinary team.
- Competence with computer clinical software programs and Microsoft Office suite of applications.
- Knowledge of legislative and regulatory requirements in relation to Occupational Health and Safety.
- Current NDIS Workers Screening Check, Working with Children Check, current WA "C" class drivers' licence.

Desirable

- Credentialed status
- Experience in rural and remote health settings.
- Experience in working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with an understanding of and appreciation for Aboriginal culture.