



# Job Description Form



GREAT SOUTHERN  
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**Position Title**

**Position number: 614291**

## Consultant Psychiatrist

### Regional Profile

The Great Southern is situated on Western Australia's south coast and covers 39,007 square kilometres. The Great Southern is unmatched for the scale, diversity and accessibility of its natural attractions, including rugged coastline, white sandy beaches, forests, wildflowers and the highest peaks in southern Western Australia. The region boasts robust tourism and primary production industries which provide the backbone of the economy. The town of Albany is central to WACHS Great Southern and is located alongside the historically rich and picturesque Port of Albany. The Regional Health Service offers one main health facility at Albany which is widely supported by a network of smaller Multi-Purpose Service (MPS) sites at Bremer Bay, Denmark, Gnowangerup, Jerramungup, Katanning, Kojoonup, Plantagenet, Ravensthorpe and Tambellup.

### About the WA Country Health Service

#### Our Strategic Priorities



#### Our Vision

To be a global leader in rural and remote healthcare.

#### Our Values

##### Community

We live and work in country communities. We are invested in the health, wellness and viability of country communities and the vibrancy, diversity and future of country WA.

##### Compassion

We are inclusive, respectful, and considerate. We care deeply about the people in our care and country communities.

##### Quality

We provide safe, high-quality care, constantly striving to innovate, improve and achieve trust in our care.

##### Integrity

We bring honesty, collaboration and professionalism to everything that we do.

##### Equity

We are passionate about fairness in healthcare for all Western Australians, especially the most vulnerable and disadvantaged people and communities.

##### Curiosity

We continually enquire and seek to understand, using the best evidence, insight and research to improve care.

#### Our Mission

To deliver and advance high quality care for country WA communities.

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## Directorate overview

Great Southern Mental Health Service (GSMHS) is a specialist service that provides acute inpatient and community care to mental health clients in the Great Southern.

The GSMHS has multi-disciplinary teams who provide high quality mental health care. The teams located in Albany and Katanning provide outreach services to surrounding areas. The region is split into the Lower Great Southern (LGS) and Central Great Southern (CGS).

Our Directorate actively supports and encourages diversity and inclusion across all occupational groups through the development and implementation of initiatives aimed at accessing and improving employment and mentoring opportunities for all people. Our strategies are located at [www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au)

## Position Details

Position Number:	614291	Registration Date:	
Classification:	MP Consultant Year 1-9	Location:	Albany
Award / Agreement:	Medical Practitioners Agreement		
Organisational Context:	Great Southern Mental Health Service - Lower Great Southern		

## Position Overview

Responsible for the provision of clinical assessment and psychiatric treatment for adults in the Great Southern catchment population, based in the Inpatient Unit and community.

## Reporting Relationships

<b>Responsible to:</b>		←	<b>Other positions reporting to this position:</b>	
007756	Director Psychiatrist MP Consultant Year 1-9		005544	Director Clinical Services Mntl Hlth MP Yr 1-5
↑			008028	Trainee Psychiatrist MP Yr 1-7
<b>This position:</b>			008077	Consultant Psychiatrist MP Yr 1-9
614291	Consultant Psychiatrist MP Consultant Year 1-9		614291	Consultant Psychiatrist MP Yr 1-9
↑			614956	Consultant Psychiatrist MP Yr 1-9
<b>Positions under direct supervision:</b>			614975	Senior Medical Practitioner MP Yr 1-3
	Nil		615443	Consultant Psychiatrist MP Yr 1-9
			615578	Trainee Psychiatrist MP Yr 1-7



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## Key Duties/Responsibilities

### 1. PROFESSIONAL/CLINICAL

- 1.1. Provides for psychiatric care and general treatment in both inpatient and outpatient facilities of the Great Southern Mental Health Service.
- 1.2. Provides supervision for community care including community treatment orders.
- 1.3. Participates in an on-call roster. (approximately one week in five)
- 1.4. Supervises trainee psychiatrists and medical officers and participates in the teaching of other health professionals.
- 1.5. Travels within the Great Southern region as required.

### 2. ADMINISTRATION

- 2.1. Liaises and confers regularly with general practitioners, other health care professionals and agencies on clinical matters and treatment programs.
- 2.2. Attends to statutory requirements concerning the admission, detention and discharge of patients.
- 2.3. Maintains clinical records and delivers letters in a timely manner

### 3. RESEARCH/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 3.1. Initiates and participates in research projects which are relevant to the operation of the Mental Health Service and will contribute to positive consumer outcomes locally.
- 3.2. Participates in professional development activities which are relevant to the operation of the Mental Health Service and will contribute to positive consumer outcomes locally.

### 4. OTHER

- 4.1. Carries out other duties as requested by the Clinical Director.
- 4.2. Maintains good public relations with patients, relatives, media and non-government services.
- 4.3. Demonstrates a capacity to manage diversity in the workplace.





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## Work Related Requirements

The following criteria are to be read together with the Brief Summary of Duties and considered in the context of the WACHS Values.

### Essential

1. Eligible for registration by the Medical Board of Australia
2. Fellowship of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists or approved equivalent
3. Extensive clinical experience in, but not limited to, adult mental health
4. Knowledge of/and experience in biological and psychotherapeutic interventions
5. Effective communication (oral and written) and interpersonal skills with a multidisciplinary interest
6. Demonstrated analytical ability
7. Highly developed report writing and policy formulation skills
8. Ability to manage people within a multidisciplinary setting, including leadership and motivation skills
9. Eligible for/or in possession of a current C or C-A Class drivers licence

### Desirable

1. Knowledge of the Western Australian Mental Health Act 2014 and other related legislation
2. Experience working in regional community mental health service
3. Experience training postgraduates and clinical supervisory skills
4. Current knowledge and commitment to Equal Opportunity, Disability Services and Occupational Safety and Health in all aspects of employment and service delivery.

## Appointment Pre-requisites

Appointment is subject to:

- Evidence of registration by the Medical Board of Australia must be provided prior to commencement
- Provision of the minimum identity proofing requirements
- Successful Criminal Record Screening Clearance
- Successful Pre-Employment Health Assessment
- Successful WA Health Integrity Check
- Successful Working With Children Check
- Completion of training for Mandatory Reporting Of Child Sexual Abuse
- Evidence of a current C or C-A Class driver's licence

**WA Country Health Service  
Great Southern**

**4 September 2023**

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