

Position: Diversional Therapist

An exciting opportunity exists for a creative and caring individual to join the team at Westmont Aged Care Services as a Diversional Therapist.

Westmont Aged Care Services Ltd are seeking a qualified Diversional Therapist to oversee two different activities programs – one for our 102-bed high care Homestead facility, plus 32 bed Cottages for people living with dementia and also our Community Social Connections program.

As the Diversional Therapist you will be required to plan, design, coordinate and implement a recreation and leisure-based activity program for the residential facilities and oversee the activity programs for the Community Social Connections groups.

The activity programs need to be tailored to meet the specific needs of each resident and client. They should support, challenge, and enhance the psychological, spiritual, social, emotional and physical wellbeing of all our participants. They need to include a focus on diversity, wellness and reablement principles along with sensitivity to diverse cultural and religious needs.

The Homestead facility offers activities seven days a week both one on one and in group sessions. We also host a variety of functions and luncheons. Our Cottages provide the opportunity for residents to be included in activities of daily living such as cooking, general household activities, laundry and gardening.

Our Community program offers an opportunity for clients to engage with their local community. The aim is to encourage those living independently to be involved in stimulating and meaningful social activities. We offer a Social Connections group five days per week and a dementia specific group three days a week and both include lunch. We also offer specific interest activities and movie nights.

This role demands superior communication skills both written and verbal. The ability to interact with staff, residents, clients, family members and the wider community is paramount. You will be responsible for reporting any issues, program changes/needs, staffing requirements to the respective Director within an appropriate time frame.

Qualifications & Experience

Essential

Friendly, helpful and cooperative team player

A degree in health science specialising in leisure, recreation or diversional therapy is required.

High level computer literacy and client management systems

Demonstrated experience in staff supervision

Current Drivers' License

VACANCY



Current Police Check and Working with Children Check
Current First Aid/CPR Certificate
Broad knowledge of Aged Care Industry and Aged Care Act

Demonstrated abilities

- Ability to work effectively within a team environment
- Effective interpersonal communication skills

Employment subject to a satisfactory police check and fit for task physical pre-employment assessment

We offer a strong and supportive workplace environment, and a commitment to ongoing professional development.

Application closing date: COB 26 March 2021

Please forward your resume and covering letter to:

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