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| **Position Title** | Leisure & Lifestyle Assistant |
| **Position Number** | N5878 |
| **Department** | 70 Lowe Street |
| **Classification** | Leisure & Lifestyle Assistant (dependant on qualification) |
| **Agreement** | Victorian Public Health Sector (Health and Allied Services, Managers and Administrative Workers) Single Interest Enterprise Agreement 2021 – 2025 |
| **Reports to:** | Resident Support Coordinator & Nurse Unit Manager |

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| **POSITION DESCRIPTION** |  |

**Position Purpose:**

To assist residents to maintain independence and lifestyle choice wherever possible by providing guidance and support in accordance with the Montessori Improved Living in Aged Care philosophy.

Provide emotional support to residents, ensuring respect for cultural, spiritual backgrounds and choices.

**Department / Unit Specific Overview**

70 Lowe Street is a 45 bed residential aged care facility. Our aged care services focus on the individual, their family, friends and community. Individualised care is assured by identifying the resident’s personal preferences and interest in all areas across the social and clinical spectrum. We have adopted the Montessori environment to provide purpose and stimulation through everyday activities. This approach supports our residents to live their lives to the fullest and make the most of the services we have to offer.

**Our Values**

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| **Description: Description: S:\Health Information Management\EGHS Icons\EGHS_Integrity.jpg** | **Integrity** | We value integrity, honesty and respect in all relationships |
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| **Description: Description: S:\Health Information Management\EGHS Icons\EGHS_Excellence.jpg** | **Excellence** | We value excellence as the appropriate standard for all services and practices |
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| **Description: Description: S:\Health Information Management\EGHS Icons\EGHS_Community.jpg** | **Community** | We respect the dignity and rights of our community and acknowledge their beliefs, regardless of their cultural, spiritual or socioeconomic background |
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| **Description: Description: S:\Health Information Management\EGHS Icons\EGHS_Working_Together.jpg** | **Working Together** | We value equally all people who make a contribution to EGHS to achieve shared goals |
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| **Description: Description: S:\Health Information Management\EGHS Icons\EGHS_Learning_Culture.jpg** | **Learning Culture** | We strive to continually lead and develop through education, training, mentoring and by teaching others. |

**Organisational Context**

East Grampians Health Service (EGHS) is a rural health service located in Ararat and Willaura in Western Victoria. EGHS is an integral part of a thriving community and is committed to providing quality health and wellbeing services to people of all backgrounds.

Serving a diverse community, EGHS delivers an extensive range of acute, residential, home and community based services. We strive to continually improve our services to best meet the needs of our patients, consumers and the community.

**Our Vision**

East Grampians Health Service will improve the health, wellbeing and the quality of life for our community.

**Our Purpose**

To meet people’s health needs through leadership, strong partnerships and wise use of resources.

**Strategic Actions**

See [Strategic Plan 2023 – 2027](https://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Publications/EGHS%206pp%20DL%20Strategic%20Plan%20(2023-27).pdf).

**Organisational Responsibilities**

* Be aware of and work in accordance with EGHS policies and procedures, including:

[Victorian Public Sector - Code of Conduct](http://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Human%20Resources/Victorian%20Public%20Sector%20-%20Code%20of%20Conduct.pdf)

[Confidentiality, Security and Management of Information - SOPP 24.02](http://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Policies/CONFIDENTIALITY,%20SECURITY%20AND%20MANAGEMENT%20OF%20INFORMATION%20-%20SOPP%2024.02.pdf)

[Hand Hygiene - SOPP 70.18](http://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Policies/HAND%20HYGIENE%20-%20SOPP%2070.18.pdf)

[Occupational Health and Safety - SOPP 72.09](http://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Policies/OCCUPATIONAL%20HEALTH%20AND%20SAFETY%20-%20SOPP%2072.09.pdf)

[Person Centred Care - SOPP 60.20](http://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Policies/PERSON%20CENTRED%20CARE%20-%20SOPP%2060.20.pdf)

[Safety - SOPP 72.13](http://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Policies/SAFETY%20-%20SOPP%2072.13.pdf)

[Performance Development policy - SOPP 35.27](http://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Policies/PERFORMANCE%20DEVELOPMENT%20POLICY%20-%20SOPP%2035.27.pdf)

[Risk Management - SOPP 74.01](http://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Policies/RISK%20MANAGEMENT%20-%20SOPP%2074.01.pdf)

[Child Safe – SOPP 57.24](https://intranet.eghs.net.au/Files/Policies/CHILD%20SAFE%20-%20SOPP%2057.24.pdf#search=57%2E24)

* Be respectful of the needs of patients, consumers, visitors and other staff and maintain a professional approach in all interactions, creating exceptional experiences.
* Be aware of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and all other standards as it relates to your area of work and associated accreditation.
* Undertake other duties as directed that meet relevant standards and recognised practice.
* Agree to provide evidence of a valid employment Working with Children Check and provide the necessary details for East Grampians Health Service to undertake a national Police check. Also provide a National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) worker check or the necessary details (if required).
* Identify and report incidents, potential for error and near misses and supports staff to learn how to improve the knowledge systems and processes to create a safe and supportive environment for staff and patients, consumers and visitors
* Contribute to a positive and supportive learning culture and environment for health professional students and learners at all levels.
* Participate in all mandatory education and orientation sessions as outlined by EGHS.

East Grampians Health Service is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to providing for its employees a work environment which is free of harassment or discrimination.

EGHS reserves the right to modify position descriptions as required. Staff will be consulted when this occurs.

**Responsibilities and Major Activities**

* Undertake work within a multi-disciplinary team in achieving best outcomes for resident care and wellbeing
* Undertake all activities according to the Leisure and Lifestyle Assistant - duty statement
* Ensure cleanliness of common areas by putting away items not in use and keeping common areas used by Leisure and Lifestyle tidy, clean and restocked
* Work in close contact with nursing staff and volunteers to provide high quality, patient centred activities
* Support residents with appropriate signage in their rooms and around the facility
* Participate in the planning and support for resident outings
* Work within the designed Model of Care when planning and running resident activities
* Refer any clinical concerns/incidents to the NUM or Nurse in Charge to ensure residents health and safety is maintained
* Engage with the multidisciplinary team for the Behaviour Management and Intervention Plan
* Collate information for resident profile within first 7 days of admission including; sensory and reading, behaviour management, and activity risk assessment.
* Ensure that resident documentation is kept up to date, secure and within EGHS privacy policies

**Key Performance Indicators**

* Annual PDP with management
* Information feedback from staff / residents

Key Selection Criteria

**Essential Criteria:**

* Experience working with aged care residents with complex behaviours
* Well-developed communication and interpersonal skills
* Demonstrated commitment to holistic patient centred care
* Demonstrated ability to contribute and practice collaboratively as part of a multidisciplinary team
* Demonstrates strong computer literacy skills

Must comply to having or completion of:

* National Police Check (renewed every 3 years)
* Working with Children Check (renewed every 5 years)
* Immunisation requirements (annually)

**Desirable Criteria**

* Holds or currently in the process of obtaining Certificate 3 in Allied Health Assistant
* Previous experience working in a leisure and lifestyle role

**Acknowledgement**

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