



POSITION ADVERTISEMENT

JOB TITLE: Outstation Youth Worker
LOCATION: Yuendumu, NT

DATE: January 2012

The Mt Theo Program was established eighteen years ago as a community response to crisis levels of petrol sniffing in Yuendumu, NT. Today the Program also addresses alcohol and other drug issues in young Warlpiri men and women. The Program now encompasses four main arms of service: Mt Theo Outstation cultural treatment and rehabilitation; Jaru Pirrjirdi youth development/leadership and aftercare program incorporating Yuendumu Youth diversionary program; Warra Warra Kanyi counselling service; and an Outreach Program providing diversionary and media activities in Willowra, Nyirрпи and Lajamanu.

The Mt Theo Program is offering the opportunity to become part of this nationally acclaimed community response to substance misuse and youth leadership. The successful applicant will be part of a supportive team of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal staff that works with the community to provide essential youth services.

Position overview:

The Outstation Youth Worker will work within two teams at WYDAC, the Jaru Pirrjirdi Youth Team, and the Outstation team. The first role is to provide a program of sport and recreational youth diversionary activities in Yuendumu community, under the supervision of the Jaru Pirrjirdi Coordinator. The Youth Worker will also be involved in a range of youth development activities.

The second element of the position is designed to support the Mt Theo Outstation, with half of the roster being dedicated to this purpose, under the supervision of the Outstation Coordinator. The successful applicant will assist in meeting the requirements of quality care for the Outstation clients and workers.

Salary and conditions:

\$49,889 pa. plus benefits. An initial 3 month probationary period. The position requires a 5 day working week incorporating after hours and weekends as required, with attractive salary packaging including salary sacrificing, fully furnished accommodation provided, free utilities, phone and internet allowance.

Applicants must be willing to consent to a Police Check and be eligible to hold a current Ochre Card. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons are encouraged to apply.

Selection Criteria:

Essential

- Year 12 or equivalent
- Possess or be willing to undertake Certificate IV in Alcohol and Other Drug Work (with experience that would generate recognition for significant Prior learning)
- Possess or be willing to undertake Senior First Aid certificate
- Demonstrated understanding of, and experience in working with cross-cultural persons and community development, preferably in a remote context.
- Experience working with young people and in the management of recreational programs.
- AOD experience
- Case Management experience
- Experience working in administrative roles

- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Excellent computer skills and experience working with spreadsheets and databases
- Demonstrated ability to work in a team
- Demonstrated capacity for resourcefulness, self-motivation and independent decision making
- Demonstrated negotiation skills
- Demonstrated stress management skills
- Possession of a current 'C' Class Open Driver's License valid in the Northern Territory

Desirable

- Creative skills such as Music, Media, Arts, Dance and/or Performance Skills

Application Process:

Visit <http://www.mttheo.org/home/wydac/recruitment/> to download the Position Description and Expression of Interest Form.

Then email admin@mttheo.org with the following attachments:

1. Curriculum vitae
2. A Letter of motivation addressing above selection criteria
3. Expression of Interest Form
4. Copies of relevant Qualifications

Applications that fail to provide all of these documents will not be considered.

Contact Details:

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