

# Support Worker – Disability and Inclusion Position Description

Directorate	Vinnies Services
Reports to:	Team Leader
Direct reports:	nil
Location:	Flexible within any of the Society's main metropolitan or regional offices across NSW.
Primary position objective:	Delivery of effective and efficient services with core focus on quality, flexibility, customised service designed for people living with a disability.

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#### **Directorate overview**

This position is in the Vinnies Services directorate. The Vinnies Services directorate provides a range of evidence-based services and programs that support men, women and children experiencing poverty or disadvantage to rebuild their lives. The teams within the directorate and their functions are:

**Homelessness and Housing:** this team is responsible for state-wide management of excellent homelessness and housing services.

**Disability and Inclusion:** this team is responsible for state-wide management of excellent disability and inclusion services.

Health: this team is responsible for state-wide management of excellent health services.

**Clinical Governance:** this role is responsible for driving accountability for state-wide provision of high quality and safe services to the people we serve.

**Program and Service Quality:** this team is responsible for developing and implementing a Society-wide Quality Framework to support a culture of continuous improvement; and supporting quality review and audit processes.

**Service Innovation and Business Development:** this team is responsible for service innovation and business development.

# Accountabilities and responsibilities

The Disability Support Worker will:

- Contribute to the successful implementation of the Strategic Plan within their directorate.
- Provide a variety of supports to participants and work in cooperation with the Disability and Inclusion division in a way that is consistent with a person we assist support plan.
- Ensure that participant support is consistent with the NDIS principals and the Quality and



Safeguard Commission requirements, including demonstrating support consistent with person-centred practices.

- Provide support to people with disabilities in areas such as personal care, health and well-being, accessing the local community, learning independent living skills and implementation of all supports in accordance to their funded support needs.
- Work with participants to increase capacity, independence, and community connections.
- Ensure relevant and appropriate participant information is communicated to relevant stakeholders.
- Maintain client records, data collection and reports in a professional manner as per service policy.
- Contribute to a safe working environment for members, staff and volunteers by implementing the Society's workplace health and safety practices.
- Adhere to risk management protocols and procedures that are in place to ensure compliance with legal, employment and governance requirements.

# **Critical Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)**

- Deliver targets and results within individual participants plans in the appropriate timeframe.
- To promote empowerment, choice and control and community inclusion of people living with disabilities and their families.

# **Key working relationships**

In addition to staff with the Disability and Inclusion division, and their direct reports, the Disability Support Worker will foster close working relationships with:

- Support Coordinators (Vinnies Services);
- Field Technology Support Partner (Corporate Services)
- Learning and Development team (People and Culture)

### **Essential criteria**

#### Critical capabilities

There are nine capabilities expected of all employees across the Society:

- 'People we serve' centric: (Level 1) Deliver, or support the delivery of, high-quality services that provide a hand up for the people we serve.
- Values based leadership: (Level 1) Develop an understanding and respect for and be aligned to the Society's mission, vision, values and lay Catholic heritage.
- Impact focus: (Level 1) Contribute to the delivery of positive impact through informed decision making and efficient and effective use of resources.
- Collaboration: (Level 1) Work collaboratively with others to solve challenges, foster the Society's mission and implement the Strategic Plan.
- Change leadership: (Level 1) Support the implementation of change.
- Team performance: (Level 1) Develop own performance and contribute to team performance.
- Digital engagement: (Level 1) Effectively participate in virtual, dispersed teams using digital tools.
- Innovation and improvement: (Level 1) Contribute to generating new ideas that will improve services and ways of working.
- Financial acumen: (Level 1) Use the Society's resources responsibly.



## Role-specific criteria

- · Certificate III in Disabilities or equivalent;
- Demonstrated experience in the delivery of person-centred services to clients, including customer services skills.
- Experience with or understanding of maintaining records of service delivery, or ability to acquire the knowledge.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- High-level interpersonal skills, including the ability to work in a multifunctional team and to interact with a broad cross-section of people.
- Certificate of completion for The NDIS Worker Orientation Module Quality, Safety & You or willingness to obtain Certificate of completion.
- NDIS New Worker Screening

#### Desirable criteria

• Experience working in a membership-based organisation to support and empower members and volunteers.