

Position Description

Position Title	Ward Clerk
Position Number	30027685
Division	Clinical Operations
Department	Women and Children – Special Care Nursery
Enterprise Agreement	Health And Allied Services, Managers and Administrative Workers (Victorian Public Sector) (Single interest) Enterprise Agreement 2021 - 2025
Classification Description	Administrative Grade 1A
Classification Code	HS1A
Reports to	Nurse Unit Manager SCN
Management Level	Tier 3 - Business Manager
Staff Capability Statement	Please click here for a link to staff capabilities statement

Bendigo Health

With more than 5,000 staff and volunteers and covering an area a quarter of the size of Victoria, Bendigo Health, is an expanding regional health service offering the advantages of city life combined with the beauty and freedom that comes from living in a regional area.

Bendigo Health is a 700 bed service that treats more than 45,000 inpatients, triages more than 65,000 emergency attendees and welcomes more than 1,600 new born babies in a year. In addition more than 15,000 operations are performed in our operating theatres and more than 100,000 occasions of services are provided in our clinics to outpatients.

The organisation provides services in emergency, maternity, women's health, medical imaging, pathology, rehabilitation, community services, residential aged care, psychiatric care, community dental, hospice/palliative care, cardiology, cancer services and renal dialysis to the people of the Loddon Mallee region.

With our main campus based in Bendigo, our services extend throughout the Loddon Mallee with sites in areas such as Mildura, Echuca, Swan Hill, Kyneton and Castlemaine.

Demand on services is increasing rapidly with Bendigo being one of Victoria's fastest growing regional cities.

Our Vision

Excellent Care. Every Person. Every Time.

Our Values

CARING – We care for our community

PASSIONATE – We are passionate about doing our best

TRUSTWORTHY - We are open, honest and respectful

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The Choose Division Division

The Clinical Operations Division encompasses acute and mental health services with a focus on excellent care, every person, every time. We provide a wide range of general medical, surgical and speciality services including oncology, cardiology, renal, emergency, women's and children's, critical care, specialist clinics and mental health services.

Within a state of the art hospital, the team provides high quality services using the latest technologies. Our eleven operating theatres (including 2 endoscopy rooms), critical care, emergency and women's wards all have access to critical services lifts that link to the helipad allowing rapid transfer of patients both in and out of the health service.

The Mental Health Service is a complex service that provides psychiatric care and treatment across a large catchment area in Victoria stretching from Swan Hill in the north of the state to Gisborne in the south. Family sensitive practice is central to our models of mental health care and best practice ensures the identification, inclusion and support of families, carers and children. The Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service provides services to patients from birth to 17 years, the Youth Team covers ages 18 to 24 years, Adult Services cover patients from 25 to 64 years and the Older Person's Service manages those individuals over 65 years old.

Each year our onsite specialist clinics provide almost 95,000 occasions of service, we also see more than 52,000 people in our emergency department and welcome around 1400 babies into the world. The Clinical Operations Division assists with the admission of more than 49,000 patients into the hospital each year.

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Bendigo Special Care Nursery is a Level 4 unit accepting babies born >32 weeks and 1500gms, and caring for approximately 500 neonates a year. We have the capacity for 10 cots, including an isolation room for infectious patients. We also have 4 pod rooms for a parent to stay with their bay when they are nearing discharge to establish feeding and improve parenting skills.

The Position

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warm personality. A thorough knowledge of Bendigo Health's computer programs and applications is also desirable.

Responsibilities and Accountabilities

Key Responsibilities

- Communicating with staff, families, and visitors via telephone and other technology
- Answering queries from families, staff and visitors
- Electronic correspondence to other stakeholders
- Booking accommodation at Bendigo Bank House
- Develop and maintain general office systems and procedures to ensure efficiency
- Undertake the full range of clerical duties activities including filing, faxing, emailing, and photocopying as required (& other administrative & customer service duties as required)
- Kronos entries
- Minute taking
- Ordering supplies
- Admission and discharge of patients on the computer programs
- Booking meetings and meeting rooms
- Ability to work within a team environment
- Ensure that all correspondence is dealt with in a timely manner.

Generic Responsibilities

Code of Conduct - The Victorian Government's Code of Conduct is binding on all Bendigo Health staff. Contravention of a provision in the code may constitute misconduct and/ or regarded as a breach of the employee's employment agreement and will be dealt with under the organisations Counselling and Disciplinary Action Policy.

Compliance with policies and procedures - All Bendigo Health's policies and procedures are set out in its clinical and managerial policy manuals located on the intranet under PROMPT and in hard copy. All staff must ensure they comply with policies, procedures and standard ways of work practices when carrying out their work. Any breach in compliance may result in disciplinary action.

Occupational Health and Safety - Every staff member has the responsibility to take reasonable care of their own health and safety and the safety of others, to cooperate with Bendigo Health's OH&S policies and to participate in appropriate safety education and evaluation activities. All staff are expected to participate in reporting any health, safety and wellbeing issues. Any breach in compliance may result in disciplinary action.

Infection Control - Every staff member has the responsibility to minimise incidents of infection/ cross infection of residents, staff, visitors and the general public. All staff must adhere to the policies and procedures as set out in Bendigo Health's infection control manuals. Any breach in compliance may result in disciplinary action.

Confidentiality - All information concerning Bendigo Health, its patients, clients, residents and staff should remain strictly confidential. Any unauthorised disclosure of such information may result in disciplinary action.

Quality Improvement - Bendigo Health is dedicated to improving the quality and safety of health services by providing care within the following domains of quality: Consumer Participation, Clinical Effectiveness, Effective Workforce and Risk Management. As a result, we apply the concept of the quality cycle for all our quality activities, initiatives and projects thereby ensuring the best possible care and treatment results are achieved. The underlying principle of the cycle is that an activity is not complete until evaluation shows that it has been effective and reached the desired outcome. As a Bendigo Health employee you have a responsibility to participate in and commit to ongoing quality improvement activities using the framework of the NSQHSS (National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards).

Diversity – Each person has a right to high-quality health care and opportunities regardless of diversity factors, which might include aspects such as cultural, ethnic, linguistic, religious background, gender, sexual orientation, age and socio-economic status. Every staff member has a responsibility to recognise and respect diversity. Inclusiveness improves our service to our community and promotes engagement amongst staff.

Employees are required to carry out lawful directions outlined above or delegated to them. The work to be performed is set out in this position description and, where relevant, any professional standards and codes of conduct and ethics issued by the relevant professional association.

Key Selection Criteria

Essential

1. Demonstrate an excellent standard of customer service to provide families with a positive experience while visiting Bendigo Health
2. Ability to undertake the full range of clerical duties activities including filing, faxing, emailing, minute taking and photocopying as required (& other administrative & customer service duties as required)
3. Ability to work with a multi-disciplinary team
4. Uphold Bendigo Health's values: Caring, Passionate, Trustworthy

Desirable

5. Worked within Bendigo Health
6. Experience working with IPM
7. Experience working with Kronos
8. Develop and maintain general office systems and procedures to ensure efficiency

Mandatory Requirements

National Police Record Check A current and satisfactory National Police Record Check must be completed by all new staff prior to commencement at Bendigo Health.

Immunisation As a health provider dedicated to providing quality patient care, we all need to be aware of the critical importance of infection control. Each staff member has a responsibility to comply with Bendigo Health's Staff Immunisation Policy and various infection control policy and procedures. All staff are required to provide evidence of vaccinations prior to commencement at Bendigo Health

Working with Children Check Bendigo Health has a responsibility to provide a child safe environment. This position is a defined "child-related role" at Bendigo Health. As such you must maintain a valid working with children check. In addition, you will be required to assist Bendigo Health in providing a child safe environment by participating in any training or reporting required to ensure the protection of children in our care.

All Bendigo Health sites, workplaces and vehicles are smoke free.

This position description is intended to describe the general nature and level of work that is to be performed by the person appointed to the role. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required. Any elements of this document may be changed at Bendigo Health's discretion and activities may be added, removed or amended at any time.