

Position Description

Position Title	Student Midwife
Position Number	30102749
Division	Clinical Operations
Department	Womens Ward
Enterprise Agreement	Nurses And Midwives (Victorian Public Health Sector) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2024-2028
Classification Description	Nurse Student Midwife G2 Y2 – Y8
Classification Code	YO2 – YO8
Reports to	Midwife Unit Manager
Management Level	Non Management
Staff Capability Statement	Please click here for a link to staff capabilities statement
Mandatory Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Police Record Check • Working with Children Check • Registration with Professional Regulatory Body or relevant Professional Association • Immunisation Requirements

Bendigo Health

Bendigo Health is a leading regional health service, learn more about us by visiting our website: [Bendigo Health Website - About Bendigo Health](#)

As an organisation we are committed to delivering safe, inclusive and high-quality care to our diverse communities across the Loddon Mallee Region. We value and respect the unique backgrounds, cultures and experiences of the people we serve and those who work with us.

We are a proud child safe organisation, dedicated to the safety, wellbeing and voice of all children and young people. We are committed to creating a culturally safe and welcoming environment where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples—adults, children and families—are respected, supported and empowered to express and celebrate their culture.

Our Vision

To be a trusted regional healthcare service recognised for delivering exceptional care, being a great place to work, and being deeply connected to our community.

Our Values

PASSIONATE – We are passionate about doing our best – for our patients, our colleagues and our community.

ACCOUNTABLE – We take ownership of our actions and outcomes, always striving for integrity and improvement.

CARING – We care deeply for our community – and our community cares for us. Compassion is at the heart of everything we do.

TRUSTWORTHY - We are open, honest and respectful in all that we do – earning the trust placed in us every day.

The Position

Bendigo Health is seeking motivated and passionate Registered Nurses to join our Postgraduate Student of Midwifery Program. This 52-week, 0.8 EFT fixed-term position provides a supportive and comprehensive learning experience across a range of maternity services.

The program includes 0.6 EFT working within staffing ratios on the Women’s Ward (antenatal and postnatal care) and 0.2 EFT supernumerary experience across Birthing Suite, Women’s Clinics and Lactation Services. Participants will also rotate through the Special Care Nursery to gain valuable neonatal care exposure.

Supported by dedicated Program Coordinators, clinical support staff and experienced midwifery mentors, students will receive allocated study days to support university requirements and core midwifery education. The program offers exposure to both low and high-risk maternity care across the pregnancy, labour, birth and postnatal journey, providing an excellent foundation for a career in midwifery.

Successful participants will also have the opportunity to transition into a Graduate Midwifery Program upon completion.

Responsibilities and Accountabilities

Key Responsibilities

- Provide safe, quality midwifery care in line with the Registered Nurse/ Registered Midwife standards for practice (Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia), policies, protocols, guidelines and legislation
- To develop and maintain professional midwifery standards and practice
- Assist in the assessment, planning, delivery and evaluation of a safe and high standard of midwifery care in consultation with the healthcare team for all patients, clients, consumers and their carers/families
- Engage in effective communication so as to include the woman, family and healthcare team in the immediate and ongoing health care.
- Ensure all patients, clients, consumers, families, visitors and other staff are treated with respect, dignity and courtesy
- Ensure accurate documentation of patient records
- Assess the need for and provide health education for patients and their families within the scope of practice for the beginning practitioner
- Work within scope of practice, accepting accountability for own actions and seeking guidance from those more experienced when limited by own level of expertise
- Refer relevant, significant and important issues to educators/preceptors, clinical support midwives, senior staff or appropriate health care team members in a timely manner
- Act as a positive professional role model for midwifery at Bendigo Health

- Actively participate in and satisfactorily complete all specific requirements of the relevant Post Graduate Program and identify continual learning needs through reflective practice
- Identify own learning needs and actively participate in reflection and self-review of own performance development with the midwifery educator/ clinical support midwives and midwifery managers identifying key areas for professional and personal growth.
- 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. Registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (Australian Health Professionals Regulation Agency) as a Registered Nurse.
2. Demonstrated knowledge of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia, Standards for practice (nurses & midwives), Code of Ethics (nurses & midwives), Code of conduct (nurses & midwives).

Desirable

3. Well-developed written, verbal and electronic communication and interpersonal skills.
4. Demonstrated evidence of a commitment to the profession of midwifery in a regional setting.
5. Awareness of current issues, trends and research in Midwifery.
6. Strong computer literacy and embracing of health technologies and informatics.
7. Ability and willingness to learn and operate in an environment of change with a personal approach which demonstrates values such as caring, passionate and trustworthy.
8. Demonstrated evidence of commitment to ongoing education and professional development.
9. Understanding of what it means to provide safe and respectful midwifery care in a multidisciplinary environment.

Generic Responsibilities

All Bendigo Health staff are required to:

- Adhere to the **Victorian Government's Code of Conduct**
- Uphold **Occupational Health and Safety** responsibilities, including self-care, safeguarding others, and participating in safety initiatives and reporting.
- Comply with all **Bendigo Health policies and procedures**, including those related to clinical, managerial, and standard work practices.
- Follow **Infection Control** procedures to prevent cross-contamination and ensure the health and safety of all.
- Maintain **strict confidentiality** regarding all organisational, patient, and staff information.
- Engage in **continuous quality improvement** activities aligned with the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards (NSQHSS).

- Recognise and respect **diversity**, fostering inclusive practices in the workplace and service delivery.
- Support research activities in alignment with the National Clinical Trials Governance Framework to ensure high-quality, safe, and ethical clinical trials and research practices across Bendigo Health
- Staff must carry out all lawful and reasonable directions and comply with relevant professional standards and ethical codes.
- Safeguard children and young people in our care, by ensuring that your interactions are positive and safe, and report any suspicions or concerns of abuse by any person internal or external to Bendigo Health.
- Maintain ability to perform the inherent requirements of this role. Inherent requirements are the essential tasks necessary to perform this role, including reasonable adjustments. Bendigo Health is committed to a safe workplace that supports all employees. The role may require specific physical and cognitive abilities, which can be discussed with the manager during recruitment or at any time. We understand that personal circumstances can change and impact your ability to meet these requirements; additional policies are available to guide you through this process. Please request the relevant procedures for more information.

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.