



ABORIGINAL FAMILY LEGAL SERVICE SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND

Counsellor/Social Worker and Court Support officer

Location: **Southern Queensland, QLD**

- **Exciting opportunities for one experienced Social Worker/Counsellor to work within a growing Social advocacy service.**
- **Enjoy a wide range of benefits including travel, accommodation, and meal allowances, negotiable with the right candidate!**
- **Enjoy high levels of job satisfaction in a senior role making a true difference in the lives of disadvantaged people.**

About the Organisation

The *Aboriginal Family Legal Service Southern Queensland (AFLSSQ)* is a Community Legal Centre and Social and Emotional Wellbeing referral service offering legal advice, representation and advocacy to Indigenous victims of family violence in the communities of Charleville, Cherbourg, Cunnamulla, Goondiwindi, Mitchell, Murgon, Quilpie, Roma and St George.

AFLSSQ offers assistance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who have been affected by family or domestic violence.

Counselling Services We offer court support, confidential counselling and referral services to ensure client needs are met in an integrated and holistic way.

The role of the Domestic and Family Violence Counsellor is to provide counselling, group facilitation and program development for men, women and children who are or have been affected by domestic and family violence; and to work effectively with other relevant service providers to ensure an integrated response to family and domestic violence that is demonstrated by clear and consistent referral pathways, protocols and joint local initiatives.

About the Opportunity

The *Aboriginal Family Legal Service Southern Queensland (AFLSSQ)* is seeking two passionate and experienced Social Workers/Counsellors to provide counselling, referral, support and community education services to eligible clients, in the Roma and Maranoa area. WE also require a Client Support Officer to assist clients and Counsellors/ Social Workers. These roles are for 12 month contracts based in Southern Queensland, but will involve regular travel throughout the Southern Queensland region.

Reporting to the CEO, you will ensure the counselling and support practice fulfils AFLSSQ's strategic and philosophical goals, by coordinating the development and implementation of casework and client intake services. You will work with various families and individuals and managing clients, seeking out new clients to assist in organisation growth.

More specifically, your daily contributions will include (but will not be limited to):

- Establish and contribute to productive working relationships across a number of professional work teams within the program partnership;
- Participate in line management, professional supervision and professional development both internal and external;
- Participate in meetings that may include staff forums, staff meetings, working groups, peer supervision, planning and review of service;
- Managing casework in compliance with all relevant legislative and regulatory requirements;
- Contributing to the preparation of statistical and other reports regarding the operation and development of the Social and emotional wellbeing practice; and
- Undertaking appropriate professional development activities to maintain and enhance your knowledge and skills.

About You – Pre-requisites

To be considered for these roles, **Counsellors/Social Workers** must hold a relevant tertiary qualification in Psychology, Social Work, Mental Health, Social Sciences or equivalent or willingness to complete qualification;

Client support Worker will be an identified position and will be required to have a license. All applicants will have a broad general knowledge of and will be sensitive to the issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander victims and survivors of family violence, in particular women and children. Hold a valid current driver's licence and Have a current Blue Card to work with children in Queensland.

AFLSSQ is seeking organised, empathetic, motivated and driven self-starters, with a strong commitment to social and emotional wellbeing. The ability to multitask within a high pressure environment will be essential to your success in this role. You'll have a demonstrated ability to work autonomously and collaboratively within a team environment.

A current open driver's licence, an ability to work flexible hours and the willingness to travel extensively are also required for this role. A current First Aid Certificate will be highly advantageous, but is not a requirement in this role.

Whilst not essential, experience in an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander governed community organisation, would be highly regarded.

About the Benefits

This is a fantastic opportunity to change lives and truly help people who are struggling, and to see the results of your hard work first hand. **This position will also be provided with travel, accommodation and meal allowances**, an interesting and varied environment and **friendly, flexible working conditions**. In addition, you'll also enjoy **4 weeks of annual leave**. With an open-minded management team, ideas towards growth and change are always welcome.

*If you're passionate about people and human rights and are up for a challenge, don't miss this exciting opportunity - **Apply Now!***

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