

## Environmental Health Officer, HP3

### Your opportunity

In this role, you will deliver routine regulatory and non-regulatory environmental health services to protect, promote and prevent risks to the community arising from environmental health hazards that impact on the natural and built environment and human health across both the Darling Downs and South West Hospital and Health Services. You will provide routine advice on environmental health matters to internal and external stakeholders, commensurate with your level of experience.

### Our workplace

Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service (Darling Downs Health) provides public hospital and healthcare services to nearly 300,000 people from 30 facilities, which includes one large regional referral hospital, one extended inpatient mental health service, three medium sized regional hub hospitals, eleven rural hospitals, four multipurpose health services, one community outpatient clinics and six residential aged care facilities.

### How to apply

Please read this role description with the Candidate application guide that is provided. The guide will provide you with additional information to assist you with the preparation of your application.

Please provide the following information when submitting your application:

- your current CV or resume, including the names and contact details of two referees
- a short statement (maximum 2 pages) on how your key skills are relevant for the role, taking into account the key accountabilities
- additional criteria if required

*Note: Applications submitted by an Agency incurring a fee will not be considered.*



#### Vacancy reference

DD2501616517



#### Salary

\$79,051 - \$116,189 pr annum (pro rata) (plus superannuation and leave loading benefits)



#### Role type

Permanent full and/or part time, hours negotiable and Temporary full and/or part time, hours negotiable, for 6 months with possible extension



#### Location

Toowoomba



#### Team/Division

Public Health Unit and Community Medicine, Nursing and Midwifery Services Division



#### Reporting relationships

Direct reports: 0  
Reports to: Manager Environmental Health



#### Closing date

Thursday 13 February 2025



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#### Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

Darling Downs Health respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners, both past and present, of the region we service.



#### Strength in Diversity

Darling Downs Health is committed to providing a diverse, safe and inclusive workplace for our people and the community. We are not all the same and that is our greatest strength.

## Your key accountabilities

- Embrace and model behaviours that reflect Darling Downs Health values.
- Demonstrate expertise, skills, and knowledge, commensurate with the level of experience, to undertake routine environmental health services and incident response, and implement projects and research, under the supervision and professional guidance of a more senior environmental health officer.
- Develop ability to use evidence-based practice to investigate, enforce and prosecute in a court of law, relevant health legislation, in compliance with departmental policies and procedures and in line with contemporary investigatory practice, under the supervision of a more senior environmental health officer.
- Provide competent environmental health advice to internal and external stakeholders and prepare routine reports and submissions on environmental health issues to a more senior environmental health officer, commensurate with the level of experience.
- Work within a team of environmental health officers in the delivery of environmental health services and within a multi-disciplinary team in response to outbreaks and incidents to address specific public health issues, including the management of public health risk associated with water.
- Use knowledge obtained through tertiary education, professional development, and experience, to inform and improve environmental health practice.
- Commensurate with level of experience, provide guidance to less experienced staff and work experience students, in relation to routine procedures and practices, under the supervision of a more senior environmental health officer.
- Engage in continual learning and development of environmental health practice knowledge and expertise through active learning within the team and by engaging in ongoing, relevant professional development activities.
- This position is required to participate in a performance appraisal and development process to enable a collaborative approach to performance management with the position's line manager.

## Your key skills

We are looking for the best suited applicant for the role. We will do this by assessing your eligibility, your ability to perform the requirements of the role, and if relevant the way you carried out previous roles. We will also consider your potential to contribute to Darling Downs Health and how your engagement would support our commitment to equity, diversity, respect and inclusion.

- Demonstrated base level of knowledge, expertise and skill to deliver routine environmental health services, including the management of public health risk associated with water.
- Demonstrated ability or ability to rapidly acquire knowledge and expertise in the interpretation and enforcement of environmental health legislation and relevant state, national and international standards used in connection with environmental health practice in Queensland.
- Demonstrated ability to provide competent clinical advice on environmental health matters and ability to participate in a single-discipline or multidisciplinary team.
- Demonstrated ability to self-manage work activities and impart professional knowledge to environmental health colleagues.
- Demonstrated commitment to continually develop environmental health practice knowledge and expertise.

## Role requirements

### Mandatory requirements

The following are a list of conditions of employment for this role. Certified copies of documents and or proof of the requirement must be provided.

### Respiratory protection program

Every employee is responsible for complying with directions in relation to personal protective equipment. Some employees are required to wear a P2/N95 mask in their role and therefore must be able to achieve a fit check/fit test of a P2/N95 mask to ensure the safety of themselves, their colleagues, their consumers and our community.

### Additional Vaccine Preventable Diseases

Employee to be, and remain, vaccinated against the following vaccine preventable diseases during their employment: Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Varicella (chicken pox), Pertussis (whooping cough), and Hepatitis B.

### Qualification

Qualification as listed below.

- The successful applicant must hold a tertiary qualification accredited by Environmental Health Australia. For establishment management purposes, under Schedule 1 of the Health Practitioner Enterprise Agreement (2007), this position is deemed to be of the discipline 'Environmental Health Officer'. Graduating Environmental Health Officers must show proof of their tertiary qualification accredited by Environmental Health Australia prior to commencement.

### Drivers licence

'C' class motor vehicle licence

### Emergent attendance

This position may require the incumbent to work outside of usual rostered hours and on weekends in response to service requirements.

### Manual handling

This position requires the incumbent to undertake manual handling tasks that may include pushing, pulling, lifting, bending, reaching above shoulder height and reaching to the floor.

### On-call

Must participate in an on-call roster.

### Travel

Travel to deliver services may be necessary. Some travel may require overnight stays.

### Employment screening

Appointments are made subject to the following screening. Darling Downs Health will conduct the screening prior to appointment.

- **Citizenship/Visa check**  
Citizenship or visa requirements and have the right to work in Australia.
- **General Criminal History check**
- **Health Professional Registration check**  
Candidates will be requested to disclose their professional registration history.
- **Internet search**
- **Proof of identity**
- **Serious discipline history check**  
Candidates who are or were public service employees will be requested to disclose serious disciplinary history.

### Further information

Darling Downs Health organisational structure

- <https://www.darlingdowns.health.qld.gov.au/about-us/who-we-are/organisational-structure>

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