# **Job & Person Specification**

Job Title	Service Planner	Classification	ASO5
Reports to	Manager, Service Planning	Direct Reports	N/A
Directorate	Services	Team	Service Planning

# About the LSA

The Lifetime Support Authority (LSA) manages the Lifetime Support Scheme (LSS) to provide necessary and reasonable treatment, care and support for people who are very seriously injured in motor vehicle accidents in South Australia, regardless of fault. Very serious injuries include brain and spinal cord injuries, amputations, burns and blindness.

Our Vision	Making a difference in the lives of LSS Participants, who are at the centre of what we do.	
Our Purpose	We plan and fund person-centred treatment, care and support services to make a positive difference to LSS Participants' recovery and independence.	





**People & Passion**: Our dedicated team offer a valuable set of skills, a like-minded community always working to better the lives of others. Passion fuels our motivation, and with a true sense of purpose and solidarity, we work towards our shared long-term vision. Together we're committed to building authentic relationships with each other, participants, their families and carers.

**Trust & Respect**: At the LSA we're accountable and lead by example. We understand trust is earned when actions meet words, so our colleagues, participants and their families can always expect honest, open communication and a genuine sense of care. We build mutual respect by treating everyone with dignity and kindness.

**Innovation & Growth**: Inspired by the courage and determination shown by participants and their families, we're continuously searching for new ways to make a greater difference. Always learning, it's with our innovative mindset and curious nature we ask; if not, why not? Encouraging growth, we empower those around us with knowledge and resources to overcome obstacles and reach new goals, so together we can look to the future with enthusiasm and optimism.

# White Ribbon

The LSA has a position of zero tolerance towards men's violence against women in the workplace and the broader community. In accordance with this, the incumbent must at all times act in a manner that is non-threatening, courteous, and respectful and will comply with any instructions, policies, procedures or guidelines regarding acceptable workplace behaviour.

### The LSA actively promotes flexible working arrangements and values diversity in the workplace.

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### **About the Role**

The Service Planner is accountable to the Manager, Service Planning for delivering quality coordinated, efficient and evidence-based services to the participants of the Lifetime Support Scheme (LSS) and their family, within the guidelines prescribed to maintain the sustainability of the LSS. The role is also responsible for assisting with supervising and coaching junior or entry-level Service Planners within the team.

# **Key Responsibilities**

### Service Planning

- Assess, coordinate, and review the needs of participants with serious injuries taking into account what is necessary and reasonable, to enable participants to achieve their desired goals and promote their life choices.
- Utilising a person-centred approach, work closely with participants to develop comprehensive, high quality and holistic plans, which respond to and support their unique and changing needs throughout the different phases of their recovery journey.
- Support participants to set meaningful goals that maximise their independence and increase their participation in the community and/or the workplace, and to make informed decisions relating to the provision of services that support their recovery.
- Provide information, advice and support to the participant and their family in a sensitive, open, and respectful manner along the continuum of the participant's injury recovery and over their lifetime.
- Consult and collaborate with a range of service providers to facilitate the delivery of timely and appropriate treatment, care and support services to participants that meets their evolving needs and goals.
- Ensure documentation and participant records are accurately maintained in a timely manner and are consistent with LSA policy and practice standards.
- Coordinate and administer service approvals and payments in accordance with agreed needs assessments and plans.
- Provide expert input into, and participate in the delivery of, quality improvement, research and service development programs and projects.
- Identify, recommend, and implement continuous improvement initiatives that deliver efficiencies and improve the overall quality of service planning delivery, including scheme evaluation and data collection and preparing written reports with recommendation.
- Provide support to the broader Service directorate in the delivery of project outcomes, strategic initiatives, and organisational priorities.
- Contribute to the ongoing development of the practice manual and maintain relevant guidelines and information resources in consultation with LSA staff to promote efficient and informed service delivery.

### Leadership

- □ Provide coaching and direction to junior or entry-level Service Planners to proactively contribute to the achievement of deliverables, in alignment with organisational priorities.
- □ Maintain a positive attitude, adapt to new situations quickly, role model adaptive behaviours and actively contribute to driving a positive, collaborate culture.

### Alignment with the policies and procedures of the LSA and SA's Public Sector

□ Work in accordance with the LSA's Values, the Code of Ethics for the South Australian Public Sector, and all policies, procedures, and legislative requirements.

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- Contribute to the promotion and implementation of Public Sector principles and practices, in particular:
  - Equal Opportunity and Work Health & Safety
  - Quality management and participant-oriented service
  - Risk Management: AS/NZS ISO 31000 Risk Management

### Key Working Relationships

- All LSA staff
- Participants
- Service providers
- Government agencies including Department of Treasury and Finance; Department of Health and Wellbeing's hospitals and rehabilitation facilities; Compulsory Third Party Insurance Regulator and the approved insurers.

### **Special Conditions**

- Some out of hours work may be required, including at times over Public Holidays and the Christmas and New Year period.
- Travel to health and community facilities, participants' homes, intrastate/interstate may be required.
- □ You may be assigned to other positions at the same remuneration level across the organisation.
- Appointment will be subject to a satisfactory criminal history check and DHS Screenings.



# **Key Selection Criteria**

## **Essential Minimum Requirements**

### **Education / Vocational Qualifications**

- □ A relevant degree (or equivalent qualification) in personal injury/disability services (such as vocational rehabilitation, personal injury management, nursing, etc), and a minimum of 2 years' experience in person-centred service planning/case management for people with disability or serious injury.
- □ Note: people without a relevant degree (or equivalent qualification) may be considered if they have a minimum of 5 years' experience in person-centred service planning/case management for people with disability or serious injury.

### Skills, Knowledge & Experience

- □ Sound understanding of the principles of person-centred service delivery and how to apply those within a case management environment.
- Demonstrated experience of working with adults and/or children with serious injuries including assessing, coordinating, and reviewing their health support needs, using a person-centred approach.
- Demonstrated ability to apply analytical thinking and sound reasoning to inform decisions about appropriate treatment, care, and support for people with serious injuries.
- Demonstrated knowledge of brain injury and spinal cord injury for adults and/or children and best practice in assessment and treatment methods in rehabilitation.
- Sound understanding of the needs of individuals with a disability, as well as culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, including proven ability to build rapport and communicate effectively.
- Demonstrated ability to exercise initiative, judgment, and delegated authority to make informed decisions in selecting appropriate assessment and treatment methods and techniques schedule complex tasks and balancing competing priorities to achieve defined outcomes, within tight deadlines.
- Sound interpersonal, written, and verbal communication skills that deliver excellent customer service, foster trust, confidence and co-operation with others, provide advice on matters of some complexity and clear and succinct written reports with recommendations.
- Understanding of the disability services sector.
- Demonstrated ability to develop productive working relationships with a range of stakeholders, both internal and external with competing priorities.
- A high degree of professionalism including the ability to deal with sensitive issues with tact and diplomacy and maintain a high level of confidentiality at all times.
- Demonstrated high level of digital literacy skills including the use of OneNote and other Office365 products (MS Excel and MS Word).
- Demonstrated ability to contribute to a team environment, provide support to meet deliverables, challenge team members in a constructive way and add value in a collaborative environment.
- Demonstrated high level of attention to detail and organisational and time management skills to manage multiple competing priorities under limited direction, within tight deadlines.

# **Desirable Requirements**

### **Education / Vocational Qualifications**

Relevant post-graduate qualifications.

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### Skills, Knowledge & Experience

- Experience in identifying trends in service delivery and philosophies of health and disability care to guide innovative resolution of complex issues.
- □ Knowledge of best practice in assessment and treatment methods in rehabilitation.
- Project experience working collaboratively across functions to deliver quality outcomes.
- Broad understanding of public administration, Government, Legislative and/or Parliamentary processes.
- □ Knowledge of the Motor Vehicle Accidents (Lifetime Support Scheme) Act 2013 and related Rules.