# Eastern Melbourne PHN Clinical Council Expression of Interest



### Overview

The aim of the Eastern Melbourne PHN (EMPHN) is to provide improved access to better patient care in a manner which is outcome focused. We aim to ensure enhanced integration between primary and acute care services by ensuring patients in our network are able to access the right care, in the right place, at the right time.

# **Clinical Council**

The EMPHN Clinical Council was established more than 12 months ago and is a GP-led advisory group to the EMPHN Board. The EMPHN Clinical Council has been established to provide a wide and deep reserve of knowledge to facilitate the identification of problems within the primary care sector. It will provide information to assist in finding opportunities to develop better integration of care. It will help maximise broad ongoing clinical engagement within and across the region and will be used to support the decision making of EMPHN. The Clinical Council will influence inter-sector collaboration and advice on the development and monitoring of integrated care pathways, the identification of solutions for service gaps and share best practice ideas.

Membership consists of representatives in the North and East regions of Melbourne.

Membership of the EMPHN Clinical Council will be GP-led and include broad clinician and stakeholder perspectives. Members will be chosen by the EMPHN for the purpose of ensuring the Clinical Council has an appropriate level of influence, current clinical experience and the ability to make sensible, astute decisions and recommendations. The Clinical Council will seek to ensure a membership that is aligned with a range of perspectives and geographical spread.

The composition will include:

- A minimum of five local General Practitioner representatives who will reflect diversity in GP practice arrangements and settings and have wide professional networks from which to draw knowledge.
- Primary Care Nurse(s)
- Allied Health Practitioner(s)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker(s)
- Local Health Network staff
- Two EMPHN Board Director(s)
- Two EMPHN Community Advisory Committee members

Accordingly, the **key skills, knowledge and attributes** required for members of the EMPHN Clinical Council include:

- Qualified General Practitioner
- Qualified Primary Care Nurse
- Qualified Allied Health Practitioner
- Practice Manager / Nurse with clinical ability
- Qualified / Experienced Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Health Worker
- Ability to think strategically and participate effectively on a Clinical Council
- Ability to identify and communicate issues from a clinical perspective
- An understanding and commitment to observe confidentiality and privacy when required.

Please refer to the **Terms of Reference** for further information.

# Information pertaining to these appointments

Two vacancies on the EMPHN Clinical Council have recently become available.

- 1. Candidates with skills, knowledge and attributes associated with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.
- 2. Candidates with Practice Management combined with Clinical Skills or a Practice Nurse from the Northern catchment are strongly encouraged to apply.

# **Application process**

Please submit your <u>resume</u> and completed <u>EOI application</u> form to <u>maryanne.borg@emphn.org.au</u> by **Thursday, 14 December 2017.** 

# **Meeting details**

The next meeting of the EMPHN Clinical Council is expected to be convened on Monday, 19 March 2018. The commitment to meetings is expected to be quarterly, with the exception of out of session meetings from time to time.

The location of the meetings will be the Box Hill office, subject to review. Meetings will be held on weekday evenings.

Remuneration will be provided to members in line with EMPHN policy.

Please contact Maryanne Borg (Senior Administrator) on **(03) 9046 0361** if you have any additional enquiries.