



## VACANCY

### Regional Outreach Counsellor/Project Officer (Armidale)

Do you want to work in one of Australia's leading organisations providing treatment and rehabilitation to torture and trauma survivors; that's quality focused, diverse & committed to making a difference in the lives of vulnerable people in communities?

Come & join us!

#### The Organisation

"STARTTS is a not-for-profit Affiliated Health Organisation focused on providing a broad range of services to refugees in NSW. The focus of STARTTS approach is on building capacity and empowering people and communities to take control over their own lives, using a strengths-based approach and building on individual, family, community and cultural strengths."

#### The Role

The position is to provide a comprehensive assessment, referral and counselling service to Refugee and Special Humanitarian Program entrants living in the Armidale region of NSW.

The successful applicant will be part of a multicultural and multi-disciplinary team.

#### Skills and Qualifications Required

##### **Essential:**

1. Tertiary qualifications in health, counselling, behavioural or social sciences.
2. Demonstrated assessment and counselling experience in a cross-cultural context.
3. Demonstrated understanding of the issues affecting refugees in particular resettlement issues, and the effects of torture on individuals, young people, families, and communities.
4. Relevant clinical group work and training skills.
5. Excellent oral, written communication and interpersonal skills and ability to work independently and as part of a multidisciplinary team within a multicultural environment.
6. Knowledge of the cultures and health needs of refugee communities in Armidale and Northern NSW.
7. Knowledge and experience in community development, community liaison and advocacy.
8. Current NSW Driver's Licence.

##### **Desirable:**

1. Experience in working with children and adolescents in a clinical setting.
2. Knowledge of local communities in Armidale and available services.

\*This position is considered child-related employment and will require a Working with Children Background Check and a National Police Check.

*\*In line with the Public Health Order, all STARTTS workers are considered Health Workers and are required to be vaccinated against COVID-19. In order to be eligible for consideration for employment with STARTTS, all recruits must provide evidence of vaccination against COVID-19, or alternatively provide a Medical Contraindication in the approved form which complies with the requirements of the Public Health Order, prior to appointment.*

#### SUBMITTING A JOB APPLICATION

To view the position description (including selection criteria) and instructions on how to submit your application, please refer to the jobs section of STARTTS website: <https://www.startts.org.au/jobs/>

1. Fill out the [STARTTS Application for Employment Form](#)

**NB: Depending on the role, if appointed, as well as a Criminal Record Check clearance you may need a current 'NSW Working With Children Check' clearance, follow this link for information: <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check/paid-workers>**



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2. Write a **Statement Against the Selection Criteria** outlining how you meet the selection criteria (see the guide "[How to apply for a job at STARTTS](#)")
3. Updated **Curriculum Vitae**
4. Copies of relevant Qualifications
5. Statements of Service from previous relevant roles (if applicable, please ask us for a sample)
6. A cover letter is optional.
7. Email your applications to: [STTS-Jobs@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:STTS-Jobs@health.nsw.gov.au)

**Position No:** 1096

**Closing date:** Tuesday 17 May 2022

**Enquiries:** Mr Mark Davis; Rural & Regional Team Leader on 02 9646 6700

**Work Type:** Full-time. Contract to 30 June 2024 (Continuation subject to ongoing funding)

**Location:** Armidale

**Salary:** Health Education Officer, or other relevant classification based on qualifications, experience and requirements of the role under the NSW Health Awards. A generous salary packaging scheme is also offered to reduce the taxable income and increase the take home pay.