

Bereavement Counsellor

- Melbourne (Hawthorn) office, flexible working arrangements including some WFH
- Part-time (0.6 FTE) contract through to 30 June 2026 (Government funded position)
- Work as part of a dedicated, passionate and supportive team
- SCHADS Award Level 5

About Red Nose

Red Nose is Australia's leading authority on safe sleeping and safe pregnancy advice and has been a key provider of bereavement support following pregnancy, infant and child loss for over 40 years. We work hard to ensure parents whose baby or infant dies suddenly or unexpectedly are able to access appropriate bereavement support and care, regardless of where they are based in Australia.

Our Bereavement Services Team provides specialised bereavement support free of charge to any person affected by the sudden and unexpected death of a baby or child during pregnancy, birth, infancy or childhood. This includes professional counselling, support groups, peer support, our 24/7 Support Line, and other community-based support activities.

About the Role

The Bereavement Counsellor reports to the Counselling Manager and is a member of the Red Nose Bereavement Services team.

The primary focus of this role is to deliver timely and effective grief and bereavement counselling and support to individuals and families who have experienced the sudden and unexpected death of a baby or child from conception through to 18 years of age. This support is offered by the role through formal counselling and support groups offered to families in Melbourne and the broader Victorian community.

Working closely with the Intake Services Team, the role provides client focused services that are evidence based and delivered as part of a culture founded in clinical and operational excellence.

Service promotion and education activities that focus on increasing both community and professional understandings of grief and bereavement associated with the death of a baby or child, may be required from time to time.

This role will create community connections and establish strong working relationships with community leaders within First Nations and ethnically diverse population groups, creating a safe space for vulnerable families to feel seen and heard in their grief experience.

Red Nose considers that identifying as an Aboriginal or a Torres Strait Islander and/or coming from a culturally and linguistically diverse, migrant or refugee background is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under s28 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (VIC).

About You

You are a skilled practitioner who is knowledgeable regarding current practice standards in counselling and support settings, with a commitment to continued professional development.

You have at least three years' experience delivering high quality counselling services in a healthcare/community support environment, and experience and competency working with bereaved children, adults, couples and families.

You identify as an Aboriginal or a Torres Strait Islander or are from a culturally or linguistically diverse, migrant or refugee background, and you can demonstrate successful engagement of families with specific needs, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, emerging culturally diverse, migrant or refugee communities.

Please see the position description for full position details and pre-requisites, which can be accessed by visiting: rednose.org.au/page/red-nose-careers.

Apply Today

If you are excited by this opportunity to work with a highly motivated caring team supporting meaningful and life-saving work, please apply now.

Apply today by submitting your Resume and a short cover letter.

Applications close Monday 5th February 2024.

For more information, please contact Jo Baker on 03 9034 1252 or jobaker@rednose.org.au .

Red Nose is proudly inclusive and our goal is for our workforce to reflect the diverse community we serve. We continually seek to employ people of any gender, age, religion, sexual orientation, with a disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians, and those from varied cultural backgrounds.