LTCS E-News



The Lifetime Care & Support Newsletter

Lifetime Care and Support Authority Staff Recruitment

Due to growth in participant numbers, we have new positions available as well as some current positions that have become vacant. For information and to apply, go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au. Using the advanced search tab, select the Compensation Authorities Staff Division. Applications must address the selection criteria. Current vacancies include:

Senior Service Development and Review Officers

2 full time permanent positions in Parramatta LTCS office.

1 full time temporary 2 year position in Sydney LTCS office.

1 full time permanent position in Sydney LTCS office (involvement in developing the Authority's computerised case management system "Navigator").

Contact Suzanne Lulham with queries on (02) 9394 1301.

Service Development and Review Officer

2 full time permanent positions, one in Parramatta LTCS office and one in Newcastle LTCS office.

1 full time temporary maternity leave position in Sydney LTCS office.

Contact Gemma Lloyd with queries on (02) 9394 1318.

Senior Lifetime Care Coordinator

1 full time permanent position located in Parramatta office. Contact Neil MacKinnon with queries on (02) 9394 1303.

Lifetime Care Coordinator

3 full-time permanent positions located in Parramatta office. Contact Neil MacKinnon with queries on (02) 9394 1303.

Shine - Participant Newsletter

In March 2012 we will be distributing the first edition of Shine our participant newsletter. Shine has a story from one of our participants and perspectives from one of our coordinators. We have a welcome from Mr Nick Whitlam who is the Chairman of our Board. Also included are some brief facts about the Scheme and we are excited to include an invitation for participants to consider applying for a new program MyOwnFuture that we are introducing around helping participants to think about exploring paid or voluntary work or study.

The name of our participant newsletter was selected from suggestions received from our participants; thank you to Ebony Dixon from New Zealand for submitting this name that we felt was positive and reflected how the Scheme is all about enabling people to shine.

We have a new email address to enable participants to provide us with feedback on the newsletter. We will be producing two newsletters each year and plan the content to be reflective of our participants' needs. For more information or to provide feedback, click here to contact <u>Jane Baker via email</u>.

Shine will be available shortly for you on our website under the "publications tab".

MyOwnFuture

The Authority is introducing a new program called MyOwnFuture. We're offering up to 5 individual sessions for participants to explore their hopes and future work (paid and voluntary) and study possibilities with a trained life coach or vocational counselor.

If you are interested in finding out more about this program and/or in providing this service, contact Garry Kent via email or (02) 93941305.

Wee Fim training change of date and venue

Due to low numbers we have had to change the date and venue for the Wee Fim training that was scheduled for 23 March 2012 at the Newcastle LTCS office. The training will now be held on Friday 11 May 2012 at the Sydney LTCS office training rooms and will be video linked to our Newcastle office training rooms. For further information and to apply, check our website http://www.lifetimecare.nsw.gov.au/Training and Workshops.aspx.

Changes to Statutory Declarations and Affidavit Forms

Amendments to the Oaths Act 1900, affecting NSW statutory declarations and affidavits will take effect on 30 April 2012. Information on this is available on the Lawlink website http://www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/.

This will affect anybody who is filling in one of our claim forms which incorporates a statutory declaration. The Authority will be updating our forms before this date and we will inform you when completed. We encourage you to use the most current version of forms that are available on our website. Contact <u>Sue Doenau Business Service Manager via email</u> for more information.

Spinal Cord Injuries Australia Independence Expo

Spinal Cord Injuries Australia (SCIA) is proud to present its inaugural SCIA Independence Expo on Saturday 17th March 2012 at Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park.

They would like to invite you and your clients to join them at this exciting event to see the most up to date products, services and programs available today for those with a physical disability. Come and see assistance dogs in action, view the latest 'wheelchair fitness' DVDs, talk to a specialist travel agent, participate in a wheelchair sport, trial the Tridis motorcycle, iPads and Wii games...and check out lots of mobility, continence and daily living equipment!

They are also offering you the opportunity to advertise your service at an Information Booth at the Expo which will display brochures, magazines, promotional materials etc from a range of organisations and services. Contact Sheree Hurley at SCIA on 0413 367 519 for more information.

Current participant profile

At January 31 2012 we have 613 participants in our Scheme (includes 259 lifetime participants).

	Total	TBI	Spinal Cord Injury	Amputations	Severe Burns
Adult	543	403	129	8	3
			(includes 3 with TBI as well)	(includes 1 with spinal cord injury as well)	(includes 1 with spinal cord injury as well)
Paediatric	70	63	7		
(16 and under)					
	613	466	136	8	3

Gender breakdown

438 male and 175 female participants

Location (local government areas)

Sydney outer	137	Central West	27
Sydney inner	114	Murrumbidgee	21
Hunter	82	South eastern	17
Mid North Coast	43	Richmond/Tweed	15
Sydney surrounds	40	North Western	12
Illawarra	33	Murray	9
Northern	31	Far West	1

Expected growth

• 1000 participants by 2015.

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