

# Do you want to be an Allied Health Worker?

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Allied Health Workers focus on the physical, emotional and cognitive wellbeing of patients. They work with various professionals, including Occupational, Physio and

Speech Therapists, assisting with a range of basic non-professional tasks within health therapy programs. Allied Health Workers are able to work in various areas including hospitals, community health centres, physical rehabilitation and orthoptics to name a few, so if lots of variety and diversity is your thing, this is the job for you!

### Who wants to be an Allied Health Worker? Someone who ...

- ✓ Is patient and understanding
- ✓ Is happy to work with a diverse range of people and with various disabilities
- ✓ Is not afraid to 'get their hands dirty'
- ✓ Has a calm and caring nature
- ✓ Is able to work with frail, sick or disabled people of all ages
- ✓ Has good communication skills

### What do Allied Health Workers do?

- ✓ Work as part of a team under direct supervision of therapists and other health professionals
- ✓ Assist patients with their mobility and communication needs
- ✓ Assist with rehabilitation exercises, basic treatment and delivering medication
- ✓ Participate in planning the care of individual patients
- ✓ Use equipment and aids associated with various therapies



*We can help you.*

## Where do Allied Health Workers work?

- ✓ Indoors in hospitals, clinics, therapy and health centres
- ✓ Private homes assisting recovering patients to rehabilitate in their own homes
- ✓ Allied Health Workers are employed across multiple industries including Health Care and Social Assistance, Support Services and Public Safety to name a few



## Why become an Allied Health Worker?

- ✓ Allied Health Workers are always needed to support therapy programs for recovering patients
- ✓ Personal job satisfaction of helping those in need that rely on your skills and support

## How do I become an Allied Health Worker?

- ✓ Start with a work experience placement to get some hands-on experience and get a feel for whether this is the RIGHT CHOICE for you
- ✓ Apply for a police check
- ✓ Obtain a senior first aid certificate
- ✓ Apply for and complete a 1 year Traineeship and achieve a Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance qualification (school based traineeships available)

## Want more Information?

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