



Join COORDINARE's Clinical Council

Expression of interest

COORDINARE - South Eastern NSW Primary Health Network (PHN) is seeking expressions of interest from a **primary care health professional working as an Aboriginal health consultant, allied health professional or nurse** to join our Illawarra Shoalhaven Clinical Council

Why Join the Illawarra Shoalhaven Clinical Council?

As a trusted primary care health professional in your community, you are uniquely positioned to influence how health care is delivered across Illawarra Shoalhaven region. This is your opportunity to:

- support a diverse range of health professionals on the clinical council and ensure a range of insights and experiences shape regional health planning
- act as a conduit between your local health provider perspectives and COORDINARE, bringing forward issues, and innovative ideas
- collaborate with like-minded clinicians and health professionals to improve access, equity, and outcomes in primary care.

Your voice will help ensure that decisions made at the system level reflect the realities of general practice on the ground.

About COORDINARE - South Eastern NSW PHN

COORDINARE is one of 31 PHNs across Australia and one of 10 in NSW. We work with governments, healthcare providers, community organisations and consumers to improve health outcomes and reduce inequity across our region.

Our region spans from Helensburgh to the Victorian border and inland to Cooma, Queanbeyan, Yass, and Goulburn.

We are committed to:

- improving health equity across diverse communities
- strengthening primary care through collaboration and integration
- activating communities to take charge of their health and wellbeing.

Learn more about our work [here](#).

The role of the Clinical Council

The Clinical Council provides clinical advice to help shape and strengthen how services are designed and delivered across the region. It focuses on improving how general practice connects with other parts of the health system, and ensuring programs respond to the real needs of people and communities.

The Clinical Council includes a range of health professionals who work in primary care who provide strategic advice to COORDINARE's Board Members on clinical issues impacting communities across South Eastern NSW.

Membership provides an opportunity to contribute to discussions on local health issues with a range of stakeholders and learn more about COORDINARE's projects and priorities across the region.

Contributions include:

- Advising on how COORDINARE programs and initiatives can better connect with general practice and other health services.
- Contributing to the design, rollout and review of programs, with a focus on what is practical and effective in everyday clinical settings.
- Providing input on how primary care can respond to local population health needs, particularly in the prevention and management of chronic conditions.
- Identifying opportunities to improve coordination between general practice, hospitals and community-based services.
- Highlighting emerging or locally relevant clinical issues impacting general practice, and suggesting practical and innovative ways to address them.

This is a collaborative space where your clinical expertise and community knowledge can directly influence health system improvement.

Why this role matters

Clinical Council members bring valuable local knowledge and frontline experience to discussions about healthcare across the Illawarra Shoalhaven. Their insights help ensure COORDINARE's decisions, programs and priorities are informed by community needs and the realities of delivering care.

By joining the Council, you'll have the opportunity to influence how health services are planned, commissioned and delivered, helping to improve access to care and health outcomes for communities across the region.

Who we are looking for

The Clinical Council values members with diverse healthcare experience.

For this vacancy, we would strongly value and encourage applications from professionals with experience in Aboriginal health, such as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers or Practitioners, allied health

professionals with AMS or ITC experience, practice managers in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander services, or others working closely with Aboriginal communities and services who:

- are actively practising in the Illawarra Shoalhaven
- have a strong understanding of the primary care environment and local health needs
- are committed to improving health outcomes and reducing service gaps
- are well-connected with their peers and willing to represent their perspectives.

Commitment and support

- Initial three-year term.
- Quarterly meetings (2 hours each) held online or in person; with up to 2 hours pre-reading of meeting.
- Additional engagement, occasional input between meetings (e.g. feedback requests).
- Members are reimbursed for their time and contributions.
- Members are also expected to share insights from their local networks and contribute feedback between meetings where needed.
- COORDINARE is committed to creating a respectful and supportive environment for all members. This includes valuing different perspectives, ensuring cultural safety, and providing clear information and support to help you contribute confidently.

How to apply

Submit your expression of interest [here](#). For further information, please contact:

- **Katherine Michelmores** - Medical Director, Illawarra Shoalhaven | 0439 450 989, or via email at kmichelmores@coordinare.org.au
- **Juanita Murphy** - Director, Community and System Collaboration | 0410 027 837 or via email at jmurphy@coordinare.org.au

Preparing your expression of interest

To submit your Expression of Interest, please provide:

- a brief statement outlining your interest in the role
- a summary of your experience in health care in the community
- any relevant qualifications or professional background.