

Position Title - *Family Safety Counsellor - Womens Contact (Men's Behaviour Change Program)*

- **Leading family relationship services organisation**
- **Part time permanent position available**
- **Access to salary packaging**
- **Based in Melbourne CBD and Frankston**

About us

Relationship Matters, is a dynamic, values based not-for-profit organisation specialising in relationship, family and individual counselling, mediation and education. For over 70 years we have been committed to making a difference to our clients no matter which sector of our Community they come from. We continue to provide high quality relationship counselling, dispute resolution and relationship education services. Relationship Matters also provide Employee Assistance Programs, training and workplace consulting.

About the role

We have an exciting opportunity for a Family Safety Counsellor (Partner Contact Worker) to join our growing Family Violence Intervention team. This role will provide safety assessment, referral, case work, group work and therapeutic / counselling support to women partners, of men who use violence in the home. The position may also provide information and secondary consultation to staff of Relationship Matters, and external prescribed organisations.

Responsibilities will include:

- focus on the partner and children's, safety and wellbeing;
- provision of safety assessment, direct support, referral, and case management for women partners and the children, of men who use violence against women and children;
- provision of therapeutic and group work interventions; and
- participation in family consultation, case planning and model development.

About you /Key Selection Criteria

- With tertiary qualifications in Social Work or a Behavioural / Social Science and / or postgraduate studies in family violence, and / or a minimum of 2 years' experience.
- You will have demonstrated experience in counselling and assessment.
- Must qualify as Family Safety Counsellor within the NTV MBCP Standards
- Have a demonstrated understanding of the men's behaviour change process and the gendered nature of male family violence;
- Have experience in direct service provision with women in the context of family violence;
- An understanding and practical knowledge of the Family Law Act 1975.
- Client focused practitioner with demonstrated experience in fee-for-service consultancy.

You will also have the ability to contribute to the team and to provide exceptional services, and to promote the profile of Relationship Matters in the community.

A professional in your field, you will have a clear understanding of the feminist framework and how male privilege impacts on our current social structures. You are able to work independently, while working within a cohesive, committed and high performing team.

Together with your exceptional level of ethical standards and well-developed interpersonal communication skills, you will have the capacity to work to high standards of practice. Previous experience working in a family violence services system would be highly regarded.

To apply

Application details and a position description are available from www.relationshipmatters.com.au/employment

We encourage applications from Indigenous Australians, people with disability, people from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Gender Diverse, Intersex, Queer and Questioning (LGBTIQ+) people.

Applications should be forwarded to HR – Relationship Matters, Level 4 - 255 Bourke Street, Melbourne 3000 or emailed to HR@relationshipmatters.com.au by Monday 8th November 2021.

For enquiries regarding this position, please contact Ann Smith, on 1300 543 396.