POSITION DESCRIPTION



Position Title Key Word Sign Australia – National Coordinator

Position Purpose

The role of the National Coordinator for Key Word Sign Australia is to oversee the development and growth of Key Word Sign in Australia.

Division:	Statewide – Northern	Reports to	Manager, Communication Services, Communication and Inclusion Resource Centre, Scope
		Direct Reports:	
Internal Relationships:	Communication and Inclusion Resource Centre, Scope Speech Pathologists	External Relationships	Key Word Sign state based organisations; KWS international; Speech Pathology Australia; AGOSCI; NDIA; Consumers
Delegation of Authority		Category	Specialist
Employment Contract	Permanent 0.2 EFT	Award	Speech Pathologist

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Scope's Mission	Scope's mission is to enable each person we sup	port to live as an empowered and equal citizen.	
Scope's Vision	Scope will inspire and lead change to deliver best practice. We will:		
	 support and listen to each person and their family. provide leadership to influence strategy and policy. 		
	 deliver person driven, flexible & responsive services to build a sustainable future. build on our foundation for success through our expertise in service delivery, workforce development, quality improvement and research. 		
	We will deliver better outcomes.		
	SEE THE PERSON:	DO IT RIGHT:	
Scope Approach	We listen to understand We see the potential We recognise how you do things and what you achieve We take personal responsibility We build excellent relationships with our customers and customers We understand the balance between risks and rights	We use systems and processes in our work We deliver quality outcomes safely and on time We understand risks and opportunities We are a financially sustainable organisation We own the consequences of our actions We take pride in the delivery of our Mission	
	DO IT TOGETHER:	DO IT BETTER:	
	We lead in line with Scope's approach We work together to achieve shared goals We build ethical and sustainable partnerships We support each other We communicate early and honestly We share responsibility for safety	We develop creative solutions We review and continually improve We understand what is working and what is not We seek and respond to feedback We build capacity in all that we do We are a leader in safety	
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Key Function	Key Accountabilities, Responsibilities & Deliverables		

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Service Provision	Responsible for:
	liaison, mentoring and peer support to Key Word Sign (KWS) state based organisations
	 information and advice in the use of Key Word Sign and natural gesture
	 increase the profile of KWS nationally
	 identify, initiate and coordinate the development of new KWSA resources in
	collaboration with the states
	maintenance of KWSA web pages
	 promotion and dissemination of evidence-based research into the use of KWS
	 develop KWSA strategic/business plan in collaboration with the states
Financial Outcome	Accountable for the financial viability of Key Word Sign Australia to ensure funding of
	national coordinator position
	development of new resources
Growth Delivery	Develop and implement KWSA Marketing Plan in collaboration with Scope and the states
	Coordinate and oversee the sale of KWSA products through online shop or other avenues
	 Develop new products for the long-term sustainability of KWS Australia in collaboration with states
	 Provide advice and consultancy to the train-the-trainer approach to presenter training
	 Provide mentorship/peer support to state representatives
	 Developing strategic partnerships to promote the use of Key Word Sign
	 Provide input into the mentorship/peer support of state-based trainers.
	Support the development and implementation of a national quality assurance framework
People Leadership	 Responsible for championing a culture of continuous improvement within the team that
	supports Scope's organisational culture and change program.
	 Provide team leadership that supports a people management culture that is underpinned
	by EEO, human rights and builds employee resilience and inclusion. That also recognises
	its Duty of Care responsibilities towards their clients and employees.
	Responsible for leading a culture of collaboration, sharing a vision and principles with the
	states
Workplace Health &	Responsible for ensuring that Scope complies with its legal requirements and strives for
Safety	best practice in the provision of a safe workplace for all.
	 Responsible for working in a safe manner that complies with Scopes current workplace and safety policies

SELECTION CRITERIA				
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Qualifications &	Speech pathologist exhibiting a depth of experience in AAC and multi-modal			
Knowledge/Experience	communication as demonstrated by the following experience:			
	 Strong experience as a key word sign presenter (essential) 			
	 Experience working with children and/or adults with complex communication needs (essential) 			
	 A respect and understanding of the relationship between KWS and the Deaf community (essential) 			
	 Involvement in resource development e.g. Involvement in the development and production of commercially available AAC resources 			
	 An up to date knowledge of relevant literature on unaided communication 			
	 Articles published in non-refereed journals or newsletters e.g. Two or more articles published in non-refereed journals 			
	 Proven experience in coordinating or leading a group 			
	 Involvement with lecturing in the field of AAC e.g. lectures in the area of AAC 			
	 Involvement with teaching at university level in AAC or related areas. 			
	 Presentation at national or international conferences on AAC e.g. paper or workshop 			
Technical Competencies	Computer skills in word, excel			
	Familiarity with KWS Apps including the use of the Key Word Sign Australia app			

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	An understanding of social media	
Behavioural	Excellent communication skills – written and oral	
Competencies	Established relationships with key stake holders	
	Self motivated	
	 A keen interest in the use and development of Key Word Sign nationally 	
Licenses & Accreditations	Working with Children's check (required for all direct support roles)	
	 Cleared Police Check for disability employment (this must be stated on the police check report) within the last twelve months 	
	 International Police checks are required from any new employee to Scope if they have lived in the one overseas country for a period of 12 months or more, over the past 10 years. Employees cannot commence work until they provide this. See below for details: http://www.immi.gov.au/allforms/character-requirements/character-penal.pdf Must satisfy all visa requirements for working in Australia. Drivers license (required for all roles where there is a requirement to travel to deliver services) 	
<u>I</u>	 Current registration to practice in Australia where required. 	

Authorisation:

This Position Description has been reviewed and approved by the General Manager (Catherine Lengyel) and is effective from the 01/03/17

People & Culture Authorisation				
Job Evaluation Completed:	Position Created:			
Organisation Hierarchy Amended:	_			

Date: 19/01/17

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