

MENSLINE COUNSELLOR

- **Join a friendly, supportive and multi-disciplinary team as we work towards the eradication of domestic, family and sexual violence.**
- **Full Time or Part Time Position available (male or female applicants encouraged to apply)**
- **Inner City location close to public transport and limited on-site parking**

DVConnect is the leading state-wide crisis response service that operates 24 hours a day 7 days a week to meet the safety needs of those living with domestic and family violence anywhere in Queensland, including remote areas of the mainland and the Torres Strait Islands. DVConnect's Vision is a Queensland free from Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence and our mission is to enable the seamless passage from violence to safety and beyond. We provide a frontline holistic service response to women, men and families through our critical telephone crisis support services and we have recently expanded our services providing specialist trauma counselling, partnering with 1800RESPECT.

About the Role

Join a highly professional and experienced team providing a front line holistic service in a fast paced and transitioning environment. Key activities of this role include being the primary point of contact for male callers (both perpetrators and victims); making general assessments of the callers' needs (counselling, referral and information); taking appropriate action on these assessments; liaising with relevant service providers; attending magistrate's court as required to provide court support and receiving and actioning police referrals regarding serious domestic violence incidents.

About You (Selection Criteria)

- Tertiary qualifications in Psychology or Social Work or other similar qualification(s) or other qualifications and experience/expertise acceptable to DVConnect
- Experience in the provision of professional counselling, advocacy, and related crisis work for men, preferably in the area of domestic violence
- Experience in assessing indicators of whether the caller is a person who uses violence or one who is subjected to violence in his personal relationship, and demonstrated ability to respond appropriately to this assessment
- Demonstrates understanding of and commitment to working from a strong gendered analysis of domestic and family violence
- A clear understanding of how cultural difference can be addressed to maximise the appropriateness of any assistance provided
- Knowledge and understanding of the Domestic and Family Violence Act 2012, Domestic Violence Orders and Child Protection Act 1999 (or ability to rapidly acquire)
- Desirable to have had court experience or ability to work in a court environment
- Well-developed oral and interpersonal communication skills
- Highly developed organisational skills including the ability to manage time effectively, the ability to prioritise tasks, and demonstrated attention to detail
- Sound IT and typing skills and experience working with a variety of databases and telephony system.
- Advantageous if you have experience in working within the domestic violence intervention sector, and working collaboratively with other domestic violence advocates.
- Flexible, friendly, positive and can work as a collaborative team member or autonomously
- Ability to work day/evening and weekend shifts on a fortnightly roster.
- Current positive notice (blue card) or capacity to obtain

Salary & Benefits

This position is remunerated under the SCHADS Award, plus generous salary packaging options, close to public transport and limited onsite subsidised car parking is available. Flexible work options are available as well as a family friendly workplace. Further information on pay rates and shifts available are contained in the position description attached.

How to apply

Read the attached position description for further information and send a cover letter outlining why you are interested in this role along with the [selection criteria form](#) and your resume, please make sure to detail shift availability. Applications to recruitment@dvconnect.org as soon as possible as **applications will be considered as they are received**. If you require further information please contact Kathy on Kathy@dvconnect.org

Please note those applications without a cover letter addressing the selection criteria and/or the right to work in Australia cannot be considered.

We thank you for your application, however only those shortlisted will be contacted.