

POSITION OVERVIEW

| Position Title | VCCC Alliance Equity Advisory Group Consumer member |
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| <p>Background</p> | <p>An important goal of the VCCC Alliance is improving outcomes for all Victorian patients with cancer. There is increasing recognition of the differences in cancer outcomes for people from diverse communities. Reducing these inequities will require carefully targeted and strategic action.</p> <p>The VCCC Alliance Health Equity Advisory Group has been established as an initiative of the Strategic Program Plan 2020-24 Health Equity Program. The Equity Advisory Group will provide advice and guidance on how to address inequities in cancer outcomes across a range of diverse communities.</p> <p>Consumer engagement is an important part of this work. The Equity Advisory Group is actively seeking applications from consumers. Applicants from regional Victoria, from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds, and people with disability are strongly encouraged to apply.</p> |
| <p>Accountability To</p> | <p>The Equity Advisory Group will report to the Equity Steering Group during the life of the current Strategic Program Plan (2021-24).</p> <p>Direct: Chair, Equity Advisory Group</p> <p>Indirect: Co-chairs, Health Equity Steering Group</p> |
| <p>Main Purpose of Position</p> | <p>The Equity Advisory Group will provide strategic direction to VCCC Alliance Health Equity Program on development and implementation of strategies to address inequities in cancer outcomes across Victoria.</p> |
| <p>Key Effectiveness Areas</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide experience, guidance, and priorities to the Health Equity Program • Provide guidance and recommendations on the integration of an equity approach into all VCCC Alliance programs • Develop a VCCC Alliance Equity Framework • Work collaboratively with VCCC Alliance staff to embed equity initiatives in all strategic program areas • Advocate for the health equity program (and the projects within the program) within VCCC Alliance and beyond (external partners and region) • Contribute to mandatory quarterly and yearly reports and provide a yearly report to VCCC Alliance Board Groups on critical issues and potential future initiatives |
| <p>Key Relationships</p> | <p><u>VCCC Alliance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Equity Program Steering Group • Research and Education Lead, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander |

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| | <p>Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Equity Program Team • Member organisations <p>External:</p> <p>Members of the Equity Advisory Group will broker relationships with key partners across Victoria as required for successful program implementation.</p> |
| <p>Key Selection Criteria</p> | <p>The VCCC Alliance values diversity and promotes equity and broad representation on its committees. To ensure a breadth of expertise, membership will be drawn from diverse communities. Consumers from diverse communities are encouraged to apply.</p> <p>Skills and Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consumer and/or lived experience within a health system or service, including but not limited to: personal experience of inequities; experience of addressing inequities; experience of supporting/advocating for others experiencing inequities. • Specific experience of inequities in access and treatment of cancer is desirable but is not essential. <p>Essential</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commitment to the mission of the VCCC Alliance Strategic Program Plan • Demonstrated experience of equity issues in health research and/or service delivery • Proven experience in collaborative projects • Capacity to attend each Equity Advisory Group Meeting (at a minimum of bi-monthly) |
| <p>Commitment</p> | <p>The Equity Advisory Group will meet bi-monthly (6 times per year). Meetings will be 90 minutes duration and will be held during business hours, initially via Zoom. Meeting papers will be distributed one week before the meeting. Members will be expected to have reviewed papers before the meeting, and there may follow-up tasks interested members choose to engage with.</p> |
| <p>Remuneration</p> | <p>All consumer members of the Equity Advisory Group will be remunerated for their time. The VCCC Alliance has developed a cost model that aligns with the Victorian Department of Premier and Cabinet’s Appointment and Remuneration Guidelines.</p> |

If you would like to discuss this expression of interest form, or you would like to receive these documents in a more accessible format, please contact the Health Equity Manager, Vijaya Joshi: Vijaya.joshi@unimelb.edu.au.