

Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health

Classification: Chief Medical Officer
Reports To: Secretary
Location: Woden, ACT

Job Description

As **Chief Medical Officer** for the Commonwealth Government, you will provide advice and support to Ministers and the Department across the full range of health issues confronting the Australian community. As a member of the Department's Executive team, you will carry responsibility for the Office of Health Protection which has a focus on biosecurity, communicable disease surveillance, preparedness for national and regional health emergencies and the national immunisation program. In addition, you will contribute to the Department's work on research, quality of care, the burden of chronic disease and an outcomes focussed health system. You will also be responsible for leading the professional development of the Department's medical officers, maintaining high quality relationships between the Department, the medical profession, medical colleges, universities and other key stakeholders, and representing the Health portfolio in a range of national and international forums.

To succeed in this high profile and demanding role, you will need to be an acknowledged leader in your chosen medical speciality with substantial clinical experience. You will have a comprehensive understanding of Australia's health care system, including Commonwealth and State / Territory interactions, and a good appreciation of future national and international health care challenges. Your demonstrated capacity to engage senior stakeholders and to broker decisions through collaboration and consensus will be complemented by political sensitivity and high level policy advisory and leadership skills.

This is a critical senior appointment and the remuneration package and other benefits will be structured to attract an exceptional appointee.

Before applying, please obtain selection documentation by emailing **[exec.search.agent@email]**
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