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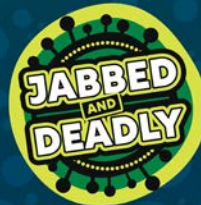


# \$25 for all kids

## COVID-19 VACCINATION

is now available for  
**CHILDREN**  
aged 5-~~14~~<sup>16</sup> years old

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Get your kids vaccinated at school **TOMORROW**, Wednesday and Thursday this week, and pick up \$25 per child from 5-16-years-old.

Consent forms are available now – less than 15% of our kids have been vaccinated, putting those of our elderly and vulnerable who haven't been boosted at risk.

COVID is still in our community and a second wave is still possible, health authorities say.

### Why vaccinate children if they don't get very sick?

Although COVID-19 in children is milder than in adults, there is strong evidence that vaccination against COVID-19 can provide an extra protection for children against serious illness from COVID-19.

It can also reduce the spread of the virus to protect family, friends and other vulnerable people in community.



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### How do I talk to my child about the COVID-19 vaccine?

Start a conversation with your child about COVID-19 and the vaccines. You can tell them how the vaccine works to fight illness in their body and listen to any fears and concerns they might have about being vaccinated.

It is important they understand that getting vaccinated can protect them, their family and their friends from getting very sick.



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## Manager Operational Services

**Location:** Palm Island, Queensland

As Manager Operational Services, you will coordinate cleaning and food services within Joyce Palmer Health Service ensuring standards of excellence are met, for example, Food Safety Standards and Infection Control Cleaning standards. Operational Services comprises catering, laundry, general cleaning, ward portage, patient and staff transportation grounds and maintenance. The role also supports the systems for bulk stores, equipment servicing and maintenance.

### What's on offer?

Generous remuneration package value up to \$80162 p.a. comprising salary range of \$64067 to \$70258 p.a. (OO4), 17.5% leave loading, 12.75% employer contribution to superannuation. Other employment benefits may include: professional development, salary sacrificing options, shift and locality allowances, corporate discounts, wellness programs and the EAP.

### The ideal candidate will demonstrate:

- Knowledge and experience of hotel and/or operational services management including commercial catering, cleaning, laundry and grounds, and the ability to deliver high quality services to clients.
- Ability to apply contemporary leadership principles in a culturally appropriate manner to develop and maintain an effective and motivated team.
- Knowledge or ability to rapidly acquire knowledge of relevant standards, legislation, policy and procedures applicable to infection control, general cleaning, food safety, workplace health and safety and stock control.

### Role Requirements:

- COVID-19 and Vaccine Preventable Diseases (VPD) requirements.
- Possession of class C drivers licence.
- Accommodation on Palm Island.
- New employees of Queensland Health and existing temporary or casual employees moving into permanent roles may be required to undergo a 3-month period of probation.

### Interested..?

For a confidential discussion please contact Glenn Carey on 0457 531 862.

Applications close on Monday 28 February 2022.

**Enquiries:** Glenn Carey

**Job Ad Reference:** TV404307

### Application Details:

<https://smartjobs.qld.gov.au/jobs/QLD-TV404307>

**Closing Date:** Monday 28 February 2022

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**You can apply online at [www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au)**

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job.  
A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.



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# Boosters essential

Vaccination rates have come up a lot on Palm, but some of our older and vulnerable people are still at risk.

Queensland's Chief Health Officer has confirmed those who haven't had their booster are more likely to end up in hospital or worse.

There have been COVID deaths in Cape York and in other Aboriginal communities, and there are several in ICU.

If you haven't had your booster, get it now – they will come to your house – call 0459 924 304 to book a visit, or go to the Primary Health Centre, now open seven days a week.

Our school kids are out in the community but only two out of three of our Elders have had a booster shot – Public Health advise vulnerable people should stay home until they have their booster.

Another ten days at home after their final vaccination is also recommended.

### OUR next DEADLINE\*

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