



The Mental Health Social Worker will hold a tertiary social work qualification, the ANZASW Certificate of Competency and will be eligible for registration. Provide psychosocial assessment and intervention with clients and their family/whanau/carers based on social work values of consultation, participation, self-determination and respect for the individual rights within the therapeutic relationship

### **Core Responsibilities Of The Mental Health Social Worker**

- Provides a social work perspective to the MDT
- Works alongside the client applying social work principles and practice standards to ensure the client's wishes are acknowledged
- Participates in the client's treatment and recovery programme using a social work perspective.
- Provides support to clients and their significant others during periods of change, loss and grief
- Acts as an advocate for both individual clients and client group as a whole.
- Provides peer support to the wider MDT working with rehabilitation and recovery needs
- Provides specialist recovery and rehabilitation
- Contributes specialist family and social assessments
- Understands and implements processes of the Protection of Personal Property Rights Act (1988) and other legislation where appropriate.
- Advises MDT on issues of child safety, abuse and neglect, and specific social work issues for clients in relation to mental disorder.
- Acts collegially to support the wider team's use of specific rehabilitation interventions.
- Engages in clinical supervision, training and teaching as appropriate