



ACIPC

Australasian College  
for Infection Prevention and Control

## IPC Consultant Position Description

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The Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control is seeking an Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) consultant to join our team.

### About ACIPC

The Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control is the peak body for infection prevention and control professionals (ICPs) in the region. Our members are practitioners and decision-makers in the field of infection prevention and control and include nurses, aged care workers, industry professionals, scientists, academics, educators, and policy makers.

ACIPC seeks to be the voice for infection prevention and control professionals, focused on providing leadership, education, and evidenced-based practice for a healthy community. Whilst the COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of IPC in health and aged care settings, and the broader community, our members continue to address challenges such as hospital acquired infections (HAIs) and antibiotic resistance.

The College supports our members and IPC in the broader community through our activities, including:

- Education for members and nonmembers
- Advocacy on the importance of IPC to government and the community
- Collaboration with other health associations and international IPC organisations
- Publishing original research in our journal Infection Disease & Health
- Communication to our members and stakeholders, including our newsletter IPC News
- Representation on national and international panels, committees and working groups
- Our credentialing pathway to strengthen the roles of ICPs

### Overview of the Role:

The position will provide expert IPC guidance in various healthcare and clinical settings.

The consultant will provide general advice and support to members through:

- Developing content for our website to support members by curating resources available from different state, territory, and government jurisdictions.
- Providing general IPC advice and direction in a member forum for IPC professionals.
- Coordinating volunteer moderators for Infection Connexion.
- Developing templates for IPC policies, procedures, and protocols in accordance with industry standards and best practices
- Developing general IPC content for publication on the ACIPC website, social media, and in our newsletter, IPC News.

- Supporting the Practice Guidance Committee by coordinating feedback on guidelines submitted to the College for review and approval.
- Supporting education activities for members.
- Collaborating with healthcare facilities and public health authorities to ensure we provide relevant support and member services.
- Keeping up-to-date with current research and trends in infection prevention and control practices and sharing this knowledge with members through our communication channels.
- Supporting professional standards for the College.

The role will support our members to develop and implement infection prevention and control programs in a variety of healthcare settings through the provision of general advice and resources.

## Qualifications & Experience

This position requires a strong commitment to infection prevention and control practices, attention to detail, and the ability to adapt to changing situations and regulations. The qualifications and experience of suitable candidates will vary, and the following is a guide to consider if this is your ideal position.

- Healthcare professional registered with Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency (AHPRA)
- Bachelor's degree in a relevant healthcare field
- Minimum of 5 years of experience as a registered health professional in a healthcare setting
- Postgraduate qualification in IPC
- A sound understanding of the variety of different healthcare settings
- ACIPC credentialed infection control professional or willingness to become credentialed within the first six months of engagement. A strong candidate would be eligible for advanced or expert level.
- Experience in developing and implementing, policies, procedures and IPC programs
- Excellent communication skills to effectively work with healthcare professionals and stakeholders
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team, and to manage multiple tasks and priorities
- Sound understanding of Microsoft Office

## Remuneration & Hours

We are seeking a full-time staff member on a competitive FTE salary of \$140,000 plus superannuation. The role is working from home/remote work. The position will be engaged on a two-year contract.

## Applications

Applications with a resume and a cover letter can be sent to [employment@acipc.org.au](mailto:employment@acipc.org.au) to be considered for the position. Your cover letter should address your experience and how this will translate into supporting key functions of the role identified above. **Applications will close on Monday 9 October 2023.**