

# ESSENDON FOOTBALL CLUB VFLW Doctor

**Contract Term: March to Oct 2018** 

Essendon Football Club has a reputation as a leader in the Australian sports industry and we are committed to our vision of being recognised as the most respected, inclusive and successful sporting club in the country, consistently setting the benchmark both on and off the field. We currently have a fantastic opportunity for a the Club's inaugural **Doctor - VFLW** to 'Don the Sash' and join our VFL Women's team in its first season

Our VFLW team will train at the Club's state of the art High Performance Centre and facilities located at Melbourne Airport as well as spend time at the Calder Cannon's Headquarters.

## **The Opportunity**

Reporting to the AFL Doctor and working closely with the VFL Operations Manager, this role will be responsible for supporting our VFLW players with training as well as game day health, fitness and injury management. The role will assume the responsibility within the team structure for making medical decisions that affect the players' safe participation and will integrate medical expertise with other health care providers, including medical specialists, fitness staff and allied health professionals. In addition, the role will also:

- Undertake player injury consultations inclusive of:
  - injury assessment;
  - diagnosis and intervention and / or relevant referral as required; and
  - reporting of findings and recommendations to Head Coach, VFL Operations Manager, and other members of Sport Science and Medical team as required.
- Organise appointments for medical imaging services, specialist opinions and other medical investigations and deliver reports on outcomes on each case.
- Attend meetings with all associated staff (allied, fitness, coaching, etc.) to continually monitor the health and fitness of all players on the list. Reports to be prepared in conjunction with medical and conditioning staff for dissemination to coaching staff and others.
- Be available to attend team-training sessions, medical meetings and recovery sessions as required, attend all (or otherwise as agreed) the Club pre-season games, the Club home and away games including interstate and possible interstate travel as required.
- Provide for proper document and medical record keeping, including keeping the Club's injury management system up to date as required by the Club.
- Plan and train for emergencies during competition and training sessions.
- Address equipment and supply issues as pertaining to the medical department.
- Where requested, advise on any environmental concerns and playing conditions, as they may be relevant to risks of injury or illness.
- Player medical screening including, but not exclusive to the screening undertaken at the conclusion of each season, and the start of each pre-season.
- Coordinate vaccination and immunisation for all club players and staff.
- Implementation and supervision of EFC supplement protocol.

You will be required to work 2 evenings a week to facilitate training session with the VFLW Players as well as attend every Game Day.

#### What we're looking For

To be considered for the role, candidates <u>must</u> have the following essential skills and experience:

- Minimum of General Registration with AHPRA and have General Practitioner experience, preferably with special interest in Musculoskeletal, Exercise Physiology, and Nutritional and Environmental medicine
- Experience working with state level sporting teams
- Current Victorian Driver's Licence
- Permanent Residency in Australia, or appropriate visa to work permanently.

# Other attributes which we would value but are not essential include:

- Experience with an athlete management system to record treatment notes
- Exercise science qualifications and related experience would be seen favorably

## **To Apply**

For further information regarding this opportunity, please contact Ash Brown (EFC VFL Operations Manager) via email on <a href="mailto:abrown@essendonfc.com.au">abrown@essendonfc.com.au</a>

To apply, please email a cover letter along with your resume to <a href="mailto:recruitment@essendonfc.com.au">recruitment@essendonfc.com.au</a>.

Applications close 9pm, Sunday 18 March 2018.

Please note that this role will be subject to background checks.