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Job Description: Social Worker, initial 12-month contract \$70k + salary packaging & super

This position is part of an international team operating from CMT's offices in Nottingham UK, Perth and Melbourne to provide an integrated social work service for former Child Migrants and their families. Working across time zones is the norm rather than the exception. One team, different locations - managers work across all offices daily.

Duties

1. Provide an individual casework service to help former child migrants reclaim their personal and family identity and build relationships with family members from whom they were separated in early life.
2. Help former child migrants access the UK Government's Family Restoration Fund, a financial resource which offers opportunities to support reunions that strengthen family relationships fractured by child migration. Application assessment and post-reunion debriefing are critical tasks that develop longer term case planning goals.
3. Assist former Child Migrants prepare their applications for the Australian National Redress Scheme and other international, historical institutional abuse redress schemes, and provide continuing professional support for people impacted by childhood trauma.
4. Liaise with government departments and agencies to retrieve institutional childcare files and other historical records and provide family research briefings to colleagues at CMT's UK office.
5. Domestic travel may be required at times to provide a national service to former child migrants and their families.

CMT provides a detailed induction programme and other training opportunities.

Mandatory requirements – applications that do not meet these criteria will not be considered.

1. Qualification in social work
2. Right to work in Australia

Skills and experience preferred

1. Basic knowledge of the child migration schemes and national apologies to former child migrants in the UK and Australia.
2. Understanding of trauma informed practice, with experience in child protection or mental health services.
3. Demonstrated knowledge of grief, loss and end of life issues for older people.
4. Knowledge of reparation and social justice principles.
5. Solid writing skills for preparation of evidence-based statements for historic abuse Inquiries.
6. Current driver's licence.