Your career with the Department of Communities as a disability services social worker

If you have a passion for connecting with people with a disability and making a difference to their lives, we want to hear from you.

What does a social worker do?
Social workers are an important part of the Department of Communities disability services team supporting people with a disability and their families.

As a social worker with the Department of Communities, you will provide information, advocacy, social support, practical help, and counselling to people with a disability and their families. You will work with people to assess their needs, help them set goals, work out strategies to achieve those goals and help people to develop the skills they need to manage their own lives. You may work with people with a disability of all ages.

The Department of Communities social workers negotiate, on behalf of people with a disability and their families, with government officials and organisations providing services. As a social worker with the Department of Communities, you are there for the ‘every day’ as well as in times of crisis.

“My job is all about helping people find their own strengths and then building on those strengths.”

Michelle, Social Worker
What qualifications do you need?
The Department of Communities requires its social workers to hold a degree in social work from a recognised tertiary institution. Further information about qualifications and other requirements is available at www.aasw.asn.au

What personal attributes do you need?
The Department of Communities social workers have:
• keen analytical skills
• emotional maturity
• strong communication skills
• networking capacity
• a strong sense of social justice.

Join the Department of Communities if you want a career that:
• combines teamwork with individual initiative
• allows you to use your professional training and clinical skills
• offers variety
• lets you help others get the most from their lives.

Salary information
For information on salary ranges, go to www.psier.qld.gov.au/psawards/cas/

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