FARE Position Description



Job Title:	Policy and Advocacy Advisor	Location:	Australia wide
Team:	Policy and Research	Position Type:	Full-time
Award:	Social, Community, Home Care & Disability Services Industry Award 2010	Award Level:	Level 4
Reports to:	Policy and Research Director		

Primary Job Purpose

The purpose of this role is to support the Foundation's work in advocating for changes to laws, policies and programs to prioritise the health and wellbeing of families and communities. The role includes undertaking policy analysis, drafting written materials, contributing to and operationalising advocacy plans and engaging with a range of senior government, ministerial and peak body stakeholders. The candidate will bring a degree of existing policy expertise in a relevant policy area.

The Policy and Advocacy Advisor will be responsible for working within the Policy and Research Team to undertake analysis of ongoing and emerging research areas develop constructive policy solutions, draft policy documents, contribute to advocacy strategies, Work with other areas of the FARE team, including the communications team to disseminate FARE's key messages.

Responsibilities

- Support the team in the delivery of consistent and effective high-quality policy outcomes.
- Engage in advocacy, including providing input into advocacy strategies, meeting with decision-makers and preparing briefings.
- Actively maintain a detailed knowledge of subject area to identify and respond to emerging issues within policy framework.
- Ascertaining FARE's policy and research requirements and supporting the delivery of consistent and high-quality policy and research outcomes.
- Monitoring, organizing, aggregating, analyzing and synthesizing research and data that is relevant to FARE's
 priority areas. This involves skills in both qualitative and quantitative research methods to determine the
 accuracy and reliability of data.
- Synthesizing and presenting data in various formats, e.g. reports, briefs, charts and other required formats.
 Ensuring that FARE maintains a high level of data integrity by liaising with stakeholders involved in the collection of primary and secondary data. This ensures that research used by FARE is accurate and reliable and supports evidence-based decision-making in stakeholder engagement.
- Working collaboratively with both internal and external stakeholders and utilizing strategic thinking to translate
 compelling research to support FARE's policy priorities. This involves collaborating with the campaigns and
 communications team and engaging with external stakeholders, such as government, research firms and nonfor-profit organizations to identify policy requirements and needs.
- Identifying policy options and providing advice for policy reform that is relevant to FARE's policy priorities. This involves identifying inconsistencies in current policies and advising on areas that require reform.
- Evaluating existing social, health and economic policies, legislation, and regulation to provide policy recommendations. Part of the evaluation is identifying key trends and proactively driving and managing allocated key issues to reach agreed outcomes in consultation with team members.
- Drafting high-quality written materials based on policy analysis. This includes policy positions, reports, briefing papers and submissions to government.
- Evaluating the feasibility and impacts, such as political impacts, of proposing policy recommendations. The evaluation takes into consideration the alignment with FARE's objectives and the interests of stakeholders.

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- Provide input to the Communications and Campaigns team on traditional and digital media and other communication outputs.
- In partnership with the Policy and Research Director, develop and maintain strong stakeholder networks.
- Perform other duties as directed by the CEO and/or Director of Policy and Research.
- Apply the principles and practices of FARE and adhere to the company's Values and Code of Conduct.
- Adhere to all the requirements of the Work Health & Safety Act and Regulations, both personally and in relation to the other staff and the company in general.

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