Role Description **HR Advisor**



| Agency | Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal |
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| Location | Sydney |
| Classification/Grade/Band | IPART Officer C |
| Kind of Employment | Ongoing |
| ANZSCO Code | 223111 |
| PCAT Code | 1224146 |
| Date of Approval | May 2018 |
| Agency Website | www.ipart.nsw.gov.au |

Agency overview

IPART provides independent regulatory decisions and advice to protect and promote the ongoing interests of the consumers, taxpayers and citizens of NSW. We act with integrity, earn trust and deliver excellence.

We are the independent regulator for the water, public transport, local government, electricity and gas industries and the Energy Savings Scheme in NSW. We also undertake reviews and investigations into a wide range of economic and policy issues and perform a number of other roles at the NSW Government's request.

Primary purpose of the role

The HR Advisor is responsible for providing a range of high quality, accurate and timely HR advice, administrative and support services to ensure the delivery of people management initiatives, projects, and reporting activities across IPART.

Key accountabilities

- Provide high quality, accurate and timely HR advice and support to managers and employees.
- Implement a range of HR policies, procedures and processes across recruitment and onboarding, training, staff movements, establishment, leave, payroll, WHS and injury management to support effective people management practices that comply with organisational and government requirements
- Deliver a range of administrative and support services including records management, developing HR correspondence, meeting and event management, and project documentation to support the effective operation of the HR team
- Source and compile a range of HR information across all HR projects and prepare documentation for a variety of organisational applications and databases to communicate HR information and inform decision making
- Identify and analyse emerging issues, trends, statistics and information relating to employee life cycle activities to inform effective decision making, including preparing reports, submissions and information
- Update and maintain HR records and databases, complying with administrative systems and processes, to ensure that all information is current, accurate, accessible and stored correctly Identify, analyse and recommend continuous improvement in HR and coordinate the delivery of projects to improve the delivery of HR initiatives and services



Key challenges

- Delivering a range of HR advice, support activities and services in line with agreed standards, given tight timeframes and the need to maintain accuracy and attention to detail.
- Maintaining data integrity and information quality given the breadth of operation across all facets of HR and the complexity of operating in a government environment
- Maintaining knowledge of current practice, legislation, policies and procedures in relation to the delivery of HR initiatives and identifying improvements where appropriate

Key relationships

| Who | Why |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Internal | |
| IPART staff | Provide HR advice, support and services Policy interpretation and guidance Issue resolution |
| Human Resources Manager | Guidance and direction Obtain strategic direction and organisational objectives Escalate complex HR issues |
| External | |
| External Stakeholders (Auditors) | Liaise on routine queriesEngage service providers |
| Shared Services provider | Establish and maintain relationships to ensure high quality issues management Liaise regarding personnel and payroll matters Respond to queries, identify needs, communicate services and redirect, escalate or resolve issues Work with service provider and attend relevant forums |

Role dimensions

Decision making

The role operates within defined parameters determined by the manager. The delivers HR advice and determines daily priorities to meet agreed deadlines and provide effective HR services to staff. The role uses independent judgment and initiative in the resolution of issues and escalates to the Human Resources Manager on more complex or sensitive issues that may require policy or legislative interpretation.

Reporting line

Reports to Human Resources Manager.

Direct reports

Nil



Essential requirements

Tertiary qualifications in Human Resources or related or equivalent experience in Human Resources

Capabilities for the role

The NSW Public Sector Capability Framework applies to all NSW public sector employees. The Capability Framework is available at www.psc.nsw.gov.au/capabilityframework

Capability summary

Below is the full list of capabilities and the level required for this role. The capabilities in bold are the focus capabilities for this role. Refer to the next section for further information about the focus capabilities.

| NSW Public Sector | NSW Public Sector Capability Framework | | |
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| Capability Group | Capability Name | Level | |
| 2 | Display Resilience and Courage | Intermediate | |
| | Act with Integrity | Intermediate | |
| Personal Attributes | Manage Self | Intermediate | |
| Attributes | Value Diversity | Foundational | |
| Relationships | Communicate Effectively | Foundational | |
| | Commit to Customer Service | Adept | |
| | Work Collaboratively | Intermediate | |
| | Influence and Negotiate | Intermediate | |
| Results | Deliver Results | Foundational | |
| | Plan and Prioritise | Foundational | |
| | Think and Solve Problems | Adept | |
| | Demonstrate Accountability | Intermediate | |
| Business | Finance | Foundational | |
| | Technology | Intermediate | |
| | Procurement and Contract Management | Foundational | |
| Enablers | Project Management | Intermediate | |

| Human Resources Professionals Capability Set | | |
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| Capability Group | Capability Name | Level |
| 2-2 | Organisational Culture | Level 1 |
| \ <u>.</u> | Workforce Insights | Level 2 |
| Human Resources | Employee Services | Level 2 |

Focus capabilities

The focus capabilities for the role are the capabilities in which occupants must demonstrate immediate competence. The behavioural indicators provide examples of the types of behaviours that would be expected at that level and should be reviewed in conjunction with the role's key accountabilities.



| NSW Public Sector Capability Framework | | |
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| Group and Capability | Level | Behavioural Indicators |
| Personal Attributes Manage Self | Intermediate | Adapt existing skills to new situations Show commitment to achieving work goals Show awareness of own strengths and areas for growth and develop and apply new skills Seek feedback from colleagues and stakeholders Maintain own motivation when tasks become difficult |
| Relationships Commit to Customer Service | Adept | Take responsibility for delivering high quality customer-focused services Understand customer perspectives and ensure responsiveness to their needs Identify customer service needs and implement solutions Find opportunities to co-operate with internal and external parties to improve outcomes for customers Maintain relationships with key customers in area of expertise Connect and collaborate with relevant stakeholders within the community |
| Relationships Influence and Negotiate | Intermediate | Utilise facts, knowledge and experience to support recommendations Work towards positive and mutually satisfactory outcomes Identify and resolve issues in discussion with other staff and stakeholders Identify others' concerns and expectations Respond constructively to conflict and disagreements Keep discussion focused on the key issues |
| Results Deliver Results | Foundational | Complete own work tasks under guidance, within set budgets, timeframes and standards Take the initiative to progress own work Identify resources needed to complete allocated work tasks Seek clarification when unsure of work tasks |
| Results Think and Solve Problems | Adept | Research and analyse information, identify interrelationships and make recommendations based on relevant evidence Anticipate, identify and address issues and potential problems and select the most effective solutions from a range of option Participate in and contribute to team/unit initiatives to resolve common issues or barriers to effectiveness Identify and share business process improvements to enhance effectiveness |
| Business Enablers Technology | Intermediate | Apply computer applications that enable performance of more complex tasks Apply practical skills in the use of relevant technology Make effective use of records, information and knowledge management functions and systems Understand and comply with information and communications security and acceptable use policies |



| NSW Public Sector Capability Framework | | |
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| Group and Capability | Level | Behavioural Indicators |
| | | Support the implementation of systems improvement initiatives and the introduction and roll-out of new technologies |

| Group and Capability | Level | Behavioural Indicators |
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| Human Resources Professionals Capability Set Employee Services | Level 2 | Deliver required workforce management services to employees and managers in line with service-level agreement for the division or organisation, ensuring compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements Advise managers and employees on more complex employment issues, escalating matters as required Provide specialist support to managers and employees during the implementation of new or changed employee service offerings Use tools to analyse processes in order to identify opportunities to improve response times, increase quality and reduce costs Evaluate internal feedback to inform and facilitate high quality, responsive employee services Conduct analysis to determine the impacts of legislative or policy changes and implement required changes in order to maintain compliance Evaluate service levels and provide timely adhoc and regular feedback to third party suppliers |

