

## Accessible Design Coordinator

Help evaluate and design inclusive products  
(Sydney based, fixed-term 12 month maternity contract)

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### About the role

This is an exciting, varied and rewarding role, which involves helping evaluate the products and packaging of leading brands to identify and measure their accessibility. Hard-to-use products and hard-to-open packaging is a challenge for all consumers, but it is a major barrier to independence for older people and those living with arthritis and other disabilities. Arthritis Australia's *Accessible Design Division* provides industry and government with product and packaging design evaluation expertise, in collaboration with research partners. This opportunity will allow you to develop your knowledge in designing products for arthritis consumers as well as the ageing population. The position is ideal for a recent graduate or someone with a few years of experience working in the design industry.

### Role responsibilities include:

- Undertake research and testing of products and packaging, using existing protocols (all training provided).
- Applying research findings to design development and work with organisations to find practical solutions considering both the abilities of the consumer and manufacturing constraints.
- Communicating with current and potential clients about services and results, as well as building business relationships.
- Maintain current partnerships (including *Accessible Product Design Alliance*) and explore new partnerships to further accessible design to address the needs of the community.
- Communicating results and feedback through appropriate avenues including verbal, written and visual.
- Undertaking administrative tasks associated with the project, including database management and contract preparation.
- Engaging with the community through graphic design and social media tasks.

### Key selection criteria to address in your application. You need to be able to:

- Demonstrate your experience in ergonomic or consumer testing in the design and evaluation process.
- Demonstrate an understanding of accessible, inclusive and/or universal design principles and how this has influenced your previous work.
- Communicate your experience in conducting research.
- Display an understanding of the factors that can make product and/or packaging designs more accessible, as well as the challenges with implementing this with technical manufacturing considerations.
- Demonstrate how you have worked collaboratively with different stakeholders on a project.

**The ideal candidate will be a recent graduate of one of the following courses:** Industrial design (Product Design), Human factors, Ergonomics, Applied science (Occupational Therapy) or equivalent degrees in related fields that demonstrate research skills and an understanding of design elements. Experience or knowledge in packaging design and manufacturing is highly desirable. Skills in using the Adobe creative suite and Canva is also desirable.

### To apply or to ask questions:

**Please submit your resume and a capability statement that addresses the above key selection criteria, no later than C.O.B Monday 24 October 2022 to:**

Alexandra Brayshaw | *Accessible Design Manager* | Accessible Design Division

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A more detailed position description is available on request.

A shortlist of candidates will be drawn up and interviews will be conducted the week beginning November 7. This role will commence in early December. Arthritis Australia is located at Level 2, 255 Broadway Glebe NSW 2037.