



## Head Physiotherapist

**Join a club on the rise – lead physiotherapy services in a high-performance, united environment.**

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The Gold Coast SUNS is entering an exciting new chapter and we are seeking a driven and experienced Head Physiotherapist to help power that journey.

This key leadership role within our Medical and High Performance team combines hands-on delivery in the AFL program with strategic oversight and mentorship across all football programs. You will play a vital role in optimising player health, performance, and availability, while building alignment and best-practice standards across the Club.

You'll also have responsibility for shaping our injury prevention strategies, overseeing athlete screening, and guiding a dedicated team of Physiotherapists, Trainers, and Massage Therapists who are committed to elite care and continuous improvement.

If you're a proactive leader with a passion for performance and a desire to be part of a club on the brink of something great — we'd love to hear from you.

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### **Key Responsibilities:**

- Deliver high-quality physiotherapy services within the AFL program
  - Drive the development and alignment of injury prevention and screening strategies
  - Design and oversee individualised rehabilitation programs, ensuring consistency in best-practice treatment and progression
  - Provide expert guidance and make collaborative, evidence-informed return-to-play decisions, balancing performance readiness with long-term athlete wellbeing
  - Work closely with the High Performance Manager to ensure alignment of systems, treatment philosophies, and proactive athlete management strategies, fostering an integrated and forward-thinking high-performance environment
  - Lead and mentor Lead Physiotherapists in the VFL, AFLW and Academy programs
  - Provide clinical governance across physiotherapy services, including documentation, compliance and care standards
  - Offer strategic oversight of Trainers and Massage Therapists (with day-to-day led by the Head Trainer)
  - Collaborate with Club Doctors, S&C, and Sports Science staff to drive integrated athlete care
  - Lead match day physio coverage, including pre-game preparation, in-game support, and post-match assessments as required.
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### **What We're Looking For:**

- Master's qualifications in Physiotherapy
- Current AHPRA registration
- Minimum 5 years' experience in sports physiotherapy, at the elite level.

- Experience working in AFL or a high-contact sport environment
  - Strong clinical skills in musculoskeletal assessment, rehab and return-to-play planning
  - Demonstrated leadership and mentoring experience
  - Outstanding interpersonal and relationship building skills.
  - Flexible availability, including interstate travel, weekends, and match days.
  - A commitment to ethical practice, professional conduct, and continual learning and improvement
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### **Why Join Us?**

It's an exciting time to be part of the Gold Coast SUNS. With momentum building across all football programs, you'll join a club that values connection, growth and high performance. In this role, you'll be empowered to lead with impact — helping drive success both on and off the field.

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If you think you've got what it takes to join our team, please click on the link to apply via our candidate portal.

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Position closes 8am on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2025.