



Athlete Readiness & Performance Physiotherapist

(Full-Time, Fixed Term)

The opportunity

Reporting to the Head Physiotherapist, you will work as part of our multidisciplinary Performance and Medical team, supporting the health, wellbeing, rehabilitation and performance readiness of Gold Coast SUNS athletes.

While injury assessment, treatment and rehabilitation remain important parts of the role, your impact will extend well beyond the treatment room. You will use screening, monitoring, player history, objective information and strong working relationships to recognise potential issues early and help athletes prepare for the demands of elite football.

Your work will include:

- Providing high-quality physiotherapy assessment, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation
- Delivering hands-on physiotherapy that supports athlete wellbeing and performance readiness
- Developing individual injury prevention and rehabilitation programs in partnership with the Performance and Medical team
- Undertaking musculoskeletal screening and using the information to support early intervention
- Monitoring player injury and readiness trends and contributing to discussions about individual risks and appropriate support
- Using athlete management and VALD performance systems to inform decisions and improve athlete availability
- Providing clear advice to coaches and other football staff, with athlete wellbeing and training and match availability at the centre
- Collaborating closely with physiotherapists, doctors, performance staff, players, coaches, trainers and massage therapists
- Support Academy Medical team by case managing the rehabilitation of identified players.
- Providing coverage at training and nominated AFL and VFL matches
- Maintaining accurate medical and injury records.

About you

You are an experienced physiotherapist who understands the pace, complexity and shared responsibility that come with working in elite sport.

You can build trusted relationships with athletes while also contributing confidently within a multidisciplinary team. You are comfortable having balanced conversations about player wellbeing, risk, rehabilitation, training demands and availability, and you understand that the strongest outcomes come from collaboration rather than working in isolation.

You will bring:

- A Bachelor or Master of Physiotherapy
- Current AHPRA registration
- At least five years of clinical experience
- Experience working within an elite sporting environment
- Experience treating and rehabilitating sporting injuries involving elite athletes
- A strong understanding of rehabilitation, injury prevention and athlete screening
- Experience using the VALD suite of performance systems
- The ability to contribute effectively within a collaborative Performance and Medical team
- Strong communication and relationship-building skills
- Sound judgement, discretion and the ability to work calmly under pressure

- A commitment to ongoing learning and continuous improvement.

The environment

Elite football is demanding, fast moving and highly collaborative. Success in this role will require flexibility, strong professional judgement and a willingness to work around the training and competition schedule.

Just as importantly, you will need to enjoy being part of a team. You will be someone who shares information openly, respects different areas of expertise and builds genuine relationships with athletes, coaches and colleagues.

If your approach to physiotherapy is proactive, performance-focused and grounded in helping athletes remain ready for the demands of elite competition, we would like to hear from you.

Application Process

To apply for this role, please submit your CV and cover letter via our recruitment portal by COB Wednesday 14th October 2026 using this link below:

https://goldcoastfc.my.salesforce-sites.com/recruit/fRecruit_ApplyJob?vacancyNo=VN151