



PSYCHOLOGIST 3

FUNCTIONAL DEFINITION:

This is professional and responsible administrative work in the field of psychology. Employees in this class plan, organize, and direct a psychological services program of major scope; provide administrative coordination for a specialized segment of a large catchment area psychological services program; or direct a moderate-sized catchment area psychological services program. Supervision may be exercised over professional and technical personnel. Work is performed under the general direction of a program administrator or a higher level psychologist and is reviewed for conformance to accepted psychological principles, practices and techniques and Mental Health/Mental Retardation and departmental policies through conferences, reports and evaluations of program effectiveness.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED:

- Plans, organizes and directs a major psychological services program, or serves as director of a catchment area psychological services program of moderate scope
- Provides administrative coordination to professional staff at the departmental level for a specialized segment of a large catchment area psychological services program
- Coordinates the psychological services program with other disciplines and integrates new policies and procedures in existing programs
- Conducts and participates in diagnostic and evaluative staff meetings to discuss the diagnosis, etiology, treatment and disposition of patients
- Consults with psychiatrists, physicians, social workers and other professional and non-professional personnel concerning diagnostic, evaluation and therapeutic treatment programs
- Conducts and participates in seminars, in-service and professional training programs
- Prepares reports on progress of the program and makes recommendations for improvement
- Performs related work as required

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Extensive knowledge of the principles and methods of psychology, including testing, diagnostic evaluation and psychotherapy
- Thorough knowledge of the principles and methods of administration
- Thorough knowledge of current social, economic and health problems related to personality development
- Considerable knowledge of mental diseases, their symptoms, treatment and social implications
- Considerable knowledge of the principles and methods of psychological research
- Ability to develop, plan, organize, implement and promote a psychological services program
- Ability to interpret and evaluate varied psychological data and develop recommendations
- Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with personnel and the general public

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

Three years of post-doctoral experience in the field of clinical psychology, including two years in an administrative or consultative capacity; and a doctoral degree in the field of psychology or educational psychology, including a one-year internship or one year of equivalent supervised experience.