

PSYCHIATRIST III

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is professional psychiatric work which requires independent judgment in providing medical and psychiatric clinic services as well as directing and administering programs within the Community Mental Health Center. An incumbent of this position may also act as the department's Medical Director, supervising and directing all medical activities of the Department of Mental Health. The work is performed under the direction of a higher level psychiatrist. Supervision is exercised over all personnel in the particular program involved. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Supervises psychiatric and neurological diagnostic services for patients and clients utilizing the contributions of other psychiatrists, psychiatric social workers and psychologists;
Administers a clinical program or programs within the Mental Health Center;
Supervises and participates in conferences concerned with diagnosis and treatment of patients and clients;
Provides psychiatric treatment for patients;
Supervises the preparation of reports to practicing physicians about patients attending the Center;
Consults with community organizations and individuals concerning the treatment of patients;
Provides ongoing training to other psychiatrists and consults on their more difficult cases;
May act as department's designated Medical Director.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of the principles and techniques of medical and psychiatric practice;
thorough knowledge of public health functions in community organizations and state and local relationships in the work of psychiatric clinics; good knowledge of administrative and supervisory techniques as applied to Community Mental Health programs; ability to supervise and participate in the treatment of patients; ability to exercise sound judgment in evaluating situations and making decisions.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Possession of a license to practice medicine in New York State and certification in Psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology or proof of eligibility* for certification and four (4) years of post-psychiatric residency experience, at least one (1) year of which must have been in a clinical administrative capacity.

NOTE: Two (2) years of psychiatric experience in a Community Mental Health or similar setting may be substituted for three (3) years of the required general psychiatric experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Licensure to practice medicine in the State of New York. Must maintain license throughout the course of employment in this title.
2. Must have a current DEA registration number which must be maintained throughout the course of employment in this title.

*Evidence of licensure by the New York State Education Department to practice medicine and completion of three (3) years of approved resident training in Psychiatry together with the candidate's written statement that he/she has applied to take the current or proximate certifying examination will be acceptable proof of eligibility for Board certification.