

SUPERVISING PSYCHOLOGIST  
(COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is professional and administrative work conducted under the direction of the Director of Community Mental Health Services. The duties involve responsibility for supervising and administering psychological testing, scoring, evaluation and interpretation in the community mental health agency as well as the integration of the psychological service with the other activities. The incumbent may involve the supervision of psychologist, trainees and other assigned personnel. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Supervises and performs psychological evaluation for diagnostic purposes, using appropriate testing devices;  
 Participates in patient behavior modification and shaping, rehabilitation and counseling;  
 Participates in the intake, screening and diagnostic activities of the agency (exclusive of medical examinations);  
 Makes detailed analyses of test results, carries on necessary interviews to obtain complete information in each case and prepares diagnostic reports for case records and for presentation to staff;  
 Participates in staff conferences devoted to diagnoses, treatment, planning and administration;  
 Supervises the in-service training of other professionals and non-professionals in the contributions that can be made by psychology to treatment teams;  
 Supervises formal training programs approved by the New York State Education Department and the American Psychology Association;  
 Performs research in community mental health needs;  
 Performs individual, group and family therapy;  
 May participate in various "outreach" activities through various community campaigns;  
 Assists in preventative care through informational and educational community activities;  
 May act as an expert witness in legal matters.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Comprehensive knowledge of psychological tests and measurements, including the special ones used with children as well as adults; comprehensive knowledge of personality development and of the factors which contribute to mental, emotional and social maladjustments and deficiencies; good knowledge of educational disabilities and methods of remedial instruction; good knowledge of social casework, psychiatric terms and techniques; good knowledge of methods, techniques and statistical procedures used in research; knowledge of pertinent local community resources; the ability to supervise and train others in psychology and to work effectively with associates; the ability to exercise sound judgment in appraising situations and making decisions; the ability to analyze, evaluate and administer the psychology aspects of a mental health program and to make practical recommendations concerning solution of problems; and the ability to present ideas effectively to individuals and groups.

QUALIFICATIONS:

County Values: All employees of Ontario County are expected to uphold and exhibit the County's shared values and behaviors to achieve the County's Vision and Mission.

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: A license or limited permit to practice psychology issued by the New York State Department of Education at time of application AND one (1) year full-time, paid post-licensure work experience, or its part-time equivalent, in the practice of psychology.

Agreed to by Municipal Service Division and Department of Mental Hygiene, Division for Local Services and are based on the license requirements of the Education Law. March 1973

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT: Certain assignments made to employees in this class will require reasonable access to transportation to meet field work requirements made in the ordinary course of business in a timely and efficient manner.

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CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION: COMPETITIVE