

CHIEF OF CLINICAL SERVICES: EDUCATION AND TRAINING

NATURE OF WORK

This is professional work in the performance of complex psychological services including diagnosis, therapy and research.

An employee in a position allocated to this class performs advanced professional work which involves administering and evaluating tests: diagnosing mental and emotional disorders; applying appropriate therapy as indicated; conducting in-service training; and, performing research work. Work is primarily with "at risk" youth who are clients of the County's Division of Youth Affairs. Work is performed under the general direction of the Director of the Division of Youth Affairs.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

Selects, administers and interprets intelligence, academic achievement, interests, personality (structure as well as projective techniques), vocational aptitude and neuropsychological tests in order to diagnose and assist Family Therapists in case planning and management.

Assists in supervising Doctoral and Masters level interns.

Provides ongoing supervision of Family Counselors.

Provides ongoing supervision of a Clerk Typist.

Develops and manages an early intervention/prevention program.

Develops, revises and maintains a consistent parenting program.

Consults as needed with Family Therapist throughout division in assessment and determination of proper level of care for divisional clients.

Assists in required ongoing training programs for professional staff throughout division.

Provides assessment tools to County Administration when upper level management position applicants are being evaluated.

Assists in long term planning and assessment to ensure division is providing the most up to date and appropriate services to its customers.

Assists in research of effectiveness of divisional programs.

Travels to various divisional offices located throughout Palm Beach County as required.

Performs other duties as required.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Thorough knowledge of theories and practices in psychology, human behavior, counseling and family therapy.

Thorough knowledge of a variety of psychological measurements and testing techniques.

Thorough knowledge of treatment techniques.

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REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES - CONT'D

Ability to exercise mature judgment and initiative in utilizing therapeutic treatment techniques.

Ability to develop and maintain positive effective working relationships with clients and associates.

Ability to express ideas clearly, both orally and in writing.

MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Doctoral Degree in Psychology; and four (4) years of experience in psychological evaluation or any equivalent combination of related training and experience.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

Must be licensed in the State of Florida as a Clinical Psychologist; or have the ability to become licensed within one (1) year of hire.