CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST

FUNCTION OF THE JOB

Under supervision, to perform clinical professional work providing psychological testing and psychotherapy in a variety of settings to clients of all ages; and to perform other duties as required.

CHARACTERISTIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Administers psychological tests including projective, personality, intelligence, and neuropsychological assessments to clients with severe behavioral or emotional problems.
- 2. Prepares detailed reports of psychological findings, including test results, diagnostic impressions, and behavior analysis; and makes recommendations for treatment.
- 3. Provides psychological consultation to groups such as community agencies, organizations, schools, courts, and other Human Services Department staff.
- 4. Receives referrals of voluntary and involuntary clients with difficult mental health and behavioral problems and conducts assessment of treatment needs.
- 5. Provides psychotherapeutic services in a variety of settings to individuals, couples, families, and groups to treat social, personal, developmental, behavioral, and/or mental disorders.
- 6. Develops and implements a treatment plan to meet the needs of the client utilizing psychotherapeutic treatment methods.
- 7. Interprets nature of illness and prescribes course of treatment to clients and families.
- 8. Participates in client staffings, reviews and multi-disciplinary team discussions to formulate diagnoses and develop treatment and service plans.
- 9. Serves as a liaison and consultant to staff and other Human Services agencies.
- 10. Provides community education and public speaking on various community mental health issues and related topics.
- 11. Provides court related clinical duties such as assessments, testimony, reports, and recommendations.
- 12. Completes documentation for billing of services and maintains mandated clinical documentation.
- 13. Establishes and maintains effective working relations with clients and their families, staff, other agencies, and the general public.
- 14. Performs emergency government duties as assigned in event of Waukesha County Emergency Government declaration.
- 15. Performs other duties as required.

QUALIFICATIONS

Essential Knowledge and Abilities

- 1. Comprehensive knowledge of the principles, techniques, and practices of clinical psychology including psychological assessment.
- 2. Considerable knowledge of psychopathology, mental health principles, and techniques of psychotherapy.
- 3. Working knowledge of human service organizations, mental health, and other community resources.
- 4. Working knowledge of applicable codes, rules, statutes and regulations.
- 5. Working knowledge of the signs and symptoms of reactions to psychotropic medications used in the treatment of mental disorders.
- 6. Working knowledge of techniques to identify clients with alcohol or other substance use problems.
- 7. Working knowledge of computerized department program software, internet access, and database,

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Essential Knowledge and Abilities (continued)

- spreadsheet and word processing programs.
- 8. Working knowledge of confidentiality statutes and requirements, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996.
- 9. Ability to utilize electronic health record, word processing, database and spreadsheet programs.
- 10. Ability to administer a wide variety of psychological tests.
- 11. Ability to write detailed psychological reports.
- 12. Ability to apply the principles, techniques, and practices of clinical psychology, including psychological assessment in formulating diagnostic impressions and treatment recommendations.
- 13. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with clients and their families, staff, other agencies, and the general public.
- 14. Ability to effectively interact with sensitivity with persons from diverse cultural, socioeconomic, educational, racial, ethnic, and professional backgrounds, and persons of all ages and lifestyles.
- 15. Ability to interpret psychosocial and DSM V diagnoses to individuals and families.
- 16. Ability to develop treatment plans and to provide psychosocial and psychotherapeutic treatment services to individuals, families, and groups.
- 17. Ability to participate in multi-disciplinary decision making and treatment planning.
- 18. Ability to respond appropriately to mental health emergency situations and utilize crisis intervention techniques and procedures.
- 19. Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.

Training and Experience

- 1. Master's degree from a recognized college or university in psychology, educational psychology, or a closely related field including coursework and practice in test administration and interpretation.
- 2. Currently enrolled at a recognized college or university in a doctoral psychology program; must attain doctoral degree in psychology within one (1) year of employment.
- 3. Possession of or current eligibility for a license to practice psychology in the State of Wisconsin.