

PSYCHIATRIST

DESCRIPTION: Performs varying levels of medical work in supervising and treating patients or administering a program or major clinical unit at a neuro-psychiatric hospital, clinic or diagnostic and evaluation center. May instruct resident physicians in the modern principles and practices of psychiatry. Performs related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (A position may not be assigned all the duties listed, nor do the listed examples include all the duties that may be assigned.)

Coordinates and supervises activities and personnel in an assigned segment of a psychiatric program.

Makes ward rounds and periodic inspections to evaluate the care and treatment of patients and to discuss, observe and advise on the treatment of unusual or difficult cases.

Responsible for diagnosis of illness and the determination and administration of treatment to be used on patients.

Confers with, advises and instructs members of the medical and support staff on the care, treatment and prognosis of patients.

Administers or directs the administration of treatments and advanced techniques.

Conducts psychotherapeutic interviews and individual and group therapy and evaluates the progress of treatment.

Conducts and/or participates in staff conferences for the discussion of the diagnosis, treatment, parole and discharge of patients.

Develops short and long-range program and treatment goals and objectives.

Consults with supervisors on the methods, procedures and practices to be followed in the formulation and presentation of an extensive psychiatric residency training program.

May participate in a program of formal instruction in modern psychiatric principles and practices for resident physicians and supervises resident physicians in the treatment of patients.

May serve in a public relations function and as a child psychiatry resource to other mental health institutions.

Advises the agency Director and the Medical Services Director regarding the agency and community-based child and adolescent care programs.

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FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS REQUIRED: (These may be acquired on the job and are needed to perform the work assigned.)

Knowledge of: state and agency hospital policies, procedures, standards and code of ethics current developments in the field of psychiatry.

Ability to: effectively coordinate psychiatric clinical programs at a state hospital/facility; work effectively with the public at large; supervise and direct staff.

Skill in: applying and monitoring patient care treatment programs in accordance with the clinical policies of a state neuropsychiatric hospital.

ENTRY KNOWLEDGES, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS REQUIRED: (Applicants will be screened for possession of these through written, oral, performance, and/or other evaluations.)

Knowledge of: modern principles and practices of psychiatry; diagnosis and treatment of mental illness; types and techniques of treatment; diagnosis and specialized techniques in the treatment and care of the adolescent mentally ill; mental diseases and their symptoms.

Ability to: present information, both orally and in writing; instruct patient treatment staff team members; instruct residents, physicians and others in the principles and practices of psychiatry and the many facets of an extensive treatment and training program; direct, coordinate and supervise the work of graduate nurses and other members of the treatment team.

Skill in: developing and implementing clinical policies.

JOB PREPARATION GUIDELINES: (Entry knowledge, abilities, and/or skills may be acquired through, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, the following coursework/training and/or experience.)

Minimum requirements:

M.D. degree, completion of one year internship in an approved hospital; and license to practice medicine in Nebraska plus three years' experience as a psychiatric resident in a psychiatric institution or clinic approved for three years' residency training in psychiatry by the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association, plus accepted application for certification and successful completion of part one of the certification exam.

Child Psychiatry:

M.D. degree, license to practice medicine in Nebraska and certification in psychiatry with specialization in child psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, plus five years of increasingly responsible and varied clinical experience in psychiatry, two years of which must have included demonstrated experience in administering child psychiatric/clinical programs.