

CLASS TITLE: PSYCHIATRIST (BHDDH)

**Class Code: 02912401
Pay Grade: 01A
EO: B**

CLASS DEFINITION:

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: To be responsible for psychiatric services of a clinical program in the Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals (BHDDH) and/or Eleanor Slater Hospital (ESH); to provide direct patient psychiatric care as assigned; to make daily rounds; to be responsible for the maintenance of standards of psychiatric care and treatment for such services of a clinical program; and to do related work as required.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED: Works under the general supervision of the Chief of Psychiatric Services from whom assignments are received, with wide latitude for the exercise of initiative and independent judgement; work is reviewed through conferences and/or reports for conformance to policies and objectives and/or adherence to accepted psychiatric practices and techniques.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED: As assigned, to plan, organize, supervise and review the work of a staff of physicians and others engaged in patient care and treatment.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED:

To be responsible for psychiatric services of a clinical program in the Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals (BHDDH) and/or Eleanor Slater Hospital (ESH).

To provide direct patient psychiatric care as assigned.

To be responsible for the maintenance of standards of psychiatric care and treatment for such services of a clinical program

To be responsible for admission, assessment and diagnosis, acute or chronic treatment, psychiatric (depending on the specialty and training of the doctor), geriatric and rehabilitation services, and discharge planning for assigned patients, or any outpatient, follow-up clinical services as needed or assigned.

To be responsible for the maintenance of and adherence to accepted standards of psychiatric care and treatment.

To be responsible for conducting regularly scheduled team meetings with physician/psychiatrist colleagues and members of other related services within the healthcare system to discuss and evaluate new admissions, problem cases and potential discharges or transfers on an individual basis and to participate in and contribute to the making of decisions and/or recommendations relative to such patients such as: diagnosis, prognosis, care and treatment, physical, occupational, recreational or work therapy, hospital and/or grounds privileges, trial visits with family, community visits, or referrals to other psychiatric, medical, or surgical services within the healthcare system or an outside healthcare system, as required, for further disposition.

To administer and/or prescribe appropriate clinical care and treatment involving difficult or complex cases.

To make daily rounds and to supervise and review the work of psychiatrists and others engaged in providing clinical care and treatment to patients.

To evaluate such patient care and treatment in terms of results obtained and, where necessary, to recommend a new, supplementary or amended program of care and treatment.

As required, to instruct staff psychiatrists and physicians in training (residents) through lectures, demonstration clinics, staff conferences and on-the-job clinical experience as part of the medical educational program within the BHDDH/state healthcare system.

To give lectures and conduct demonstrations for psychiatrists, physicians in training, nurses, allied health professionals, and healthcare professionals and students involving psychiatric care and treatment methods and techniques.

To maintain medical or psychiatric skills through participation in continuing education and maintenance of certification activities in their specialty/subspecialty.

To do related work as required.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT:

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND CAPACITIES: A thorough knowledge of the principles, practices and techniques in the field of general psychiatry or psychiatric subspecialty as determined by management, and the skill to apply such knowledge in the diagnosis, care and clinical treatment of patients; a thorough knowledge of the techniques of care and treatment of patients; the ability to detect, analyze, evaluate and interpret clinical symptoms of disorders and to administer and/or prescribe appropriate psychiatric care and treatment within their specialty field; the ability to handle the difficult or complex types of cases of a service or clinical program; the ability to plan, organize, supervise and review the medical specialist, and others engaged in patient care and treatment; the ability to instruct medical staff, residents and students within the BHDDH/state healthcare system educational programs; the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with peers and associates, patients and family members, nurses and other healthcare professionals, other agencies and institutions, community organizations, and the public; and related capacities and abilities.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Education: Such as may have been gained through: graduation from a medical school of recognized standing supplemented by advanced study in a field of psychiatry; and

Experience: Such as may have been gained through: successful completion of an Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) approved residency in the field of psychiatry.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: At the time of appointment, must meet established requirements of the Rhode Island Department of Health to practice medicine in Rhode Island, must hold an unrestricted license to practice medicine in Rhode Island, and must maintain these requirements as a condition of employment. At the time of appointment, must possess and maintain a Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration and Rhode Island controlled substance registration. At the time of appointment, must be American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology eligible or Board certified in psychiatry. If Board eligible when hired, must become Board certified within three (3) years of employment. Once Board certified, must maintain competency through meeting ongoing maintenance of certification requirements for specialty or subspecialty as a condition of employment.

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