STATE OF CALIFORNIA
OPEN EXAMINATION FOR

CONSULTING PSYCHOLOGIST
DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION

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|                  | Selection Services Unit |
|                  | 721 Capitol Mall |
|                  | Sacramento, CA 95814 |
|                  | Attn: Victoria Medina-Perez |

Applications are available at California Department of Human Resources (CalHR) at www.jobs.ca.gov, local offices of the Employment Development Department, or Department of Rehabilitation's website site at www.dor.ca.gov

DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES OR ANY OF THE FIELD OFFICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION.

SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS
If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in Item # 2 of the "Application for Examination." You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

APPLICATION DEADLINE/REQUIREMENTS
Applications are accepted on a continuous basis and will be retained for twelve (12) months. After this period, applicants should re-submit an updated application.

NOTE: All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements for this examination at the time of filing.

TESTING DATE/PERIOD
Test dates are determined by the Department and can be set at any time as needs warrant. Applicants will be notified by mail when test dates are set.

The Testing Period for this examination is: January 1 – December 31. A candidate may be tested ONCE during any testing period.

SALARY RANGE(S)
$5,715.00 - $8,273.00

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION
Note: Applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements for this examination by the "cutoff date" announcement for each exam administration. Your signature on your application indicates that you read, understand, and possess the minimum qualifications required.

All applications submitted must include: “to” and “from” dates (month/day/year), time base, civil service or private sector titles, and the duties performed. College course information must include title, semester or quarter units, name of institution, completion dates, and degree (if applicable).

Applications received without this information will be rejected.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS
License: Possession of a valid license as a Psychologist issued by the California Board of Psychology and possession of an earned Doctorate Degree in Psychology from an educational institution meeting the criteria of Section 2914 of the Medical Board of California’s Business and Professions Code.

Unlicensed individuals who are recruited from outside the State of California and who qualify for licensure may take the examination and may be appointed for a maximum of two years at which time licensure shall have been obtained or the employment shall be terminated. AND

Experience:

1. Two years of experience in the California state service performing clinical psychology duties equivalent to those of a Psychologist (Various Specialties), Psychologist (Health Facility) (Various Specialties), or Psychologist Clinical, Correctional Facility. OR

2. Three years of full-time postdoctoral, post internship experience in the practice of psychology involving training, research, consultation, or program planning in mental health services.
**CONSULTING PSYCHOLOGIST**

**XLR7 - 7620**

**REVISION DATE: FEBRUARY 23, 2016**

**FINAL FILING DATE: CONTINUOUS FILING**

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**SPECIAL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Willingness to make frequent field visits away from established headquarters; empathetic and objective understanding of the issues of persons with mental or developmental disabilities; demonstrated leadership ability; tact; patience; keenness of observation; and scientific and professional integrity.

**POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Under the general direction of the District Administrator, the Consulting Psychologists (CP) plays a key role in the rehabilitation process by consulting with Vocational Rehabilitation staff on the assessment of consumers for vocational rehabilitation service delivery; reviewing, and interpreting the results of psychological evaluations to assist in long-term program development plans for mental health programs for consumers. The CP provides consultation and personalized training for district staff concerning psychological testing and psychological issues.

**EXAMINATION PLAN**

This examination may consist of a Qualifications Appraisal Interview weighted 100%. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained. Candidates who do not appear for the interview will be disqualified.

If conditions warrant, this examination may utilize an evaluation of each candidate’s Education and Experience compared to a standard developed from the class specification. The panel will be competitively evaluating your application and resume to give you a score. For this reason, it is especially important that each candidate take special care in accurately and completely filling out the application. List all experience relevant to the Requirements for Admittance to the Examination, position description, and SCOPE shown on this announcement. Supplementary information will be accepted, but read the Requirements for Admittance to the Examination, position description, and SCOPE carefully to see what kind of information will be useful to the staff doing the evaluation.

**SCOPE:**

**A. Knowledge of:**

1. Clinical psychological theories and research.
2. Principles, techniques, and problems in developing and coordinating a specialized psychological treatment program.
3. Principles, techniques, and trends in psychology with particular reference to normal and disordered behavior, human development, learning, individual differences, adaptation, and social interaction.
5. Characteristics and social aspects of mental disorders and disabilities.
6. Program evaluation.
7. Institutional and social process, group dynamics, and professional training.
8. Interrelationships of Federal, State, and local professional and voluntary mental health agencies and of programs and services of such agencies.
10. Functions of psychologists in various mental health services.
11. Community organization and allied professional services.
12. Consultative methods in various mental health fields.

**B. Ability to:**

1. Plan, organize, evaluate and work in a clinical psychological treatment program.
2. Interpret and apply the mental health policies and standards of the Department’s program.
3. Promote the organization of community mental health resources and their effective utilization in a mental health program.
4. Provide consultation and personalized training for district staff concerning psychological testing and psychological issues.
5. Plan, organize, and conduct research, data analysis, and program evaluation.
6. Evaluate and conduct assessment on psychological treatment procedures.
7. Evaluate and assess forensic mental health treatment procedures.
8. Evaluate the quality and scope of psychological services provided under mental health programs.
9. Communicate effectively.
10. Provide professional consultation and leadership.
11. Recognize situations requiring the creative application of technical skills.
12. Develop and assess creative approaches to the assessment, treatment, and rehabilitation of mental disorders.
13. Conduct the research, development, and direction of a psychological program.
14. Secure the cooperation of professional and lay groups.

**ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION**

Names of successful competitors are merged on to the list in order of final scores regardless of date. Eligibility expires 12 months after it is established, unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period.

**VETERANS’ POINTS**

Veterans’ preference points will be granted in this examination.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

To learn more about the Department of Rehabilitation, (e.g., how to prepare for civil service examinations, information regarding Americans with Disabilities Act, the Limited Examination Appointment Program (LEAP), log on to our website at [www.dor.ca.gov](http://www.dor.ca.gov).
CONSULTING PSYCHOLOGIST  
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It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Department of Rehabilitation's Selection Services Unit in Sacramento at (916) 558-5545 three weeks after the final filing date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

If a candidate's notice of oral interview or performance test fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

If you meet the requirements stated on the reverse, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirement does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on the other side of this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The Department of Rehabilitation reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service law and rules and all competitors will be notified.

Examination Locations: When a written test is part of the examination, it will be given in such places in California as the number of candidates and conditions warrant. Ordinarily, oral interviews are scheduled in Sacramento, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. However, locations of interviews may be limited or extended as conditions warrant.

General Qualifications: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the classification.

Interview Scope: If an interview is conducted, in addition to the scope described on the other side of this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plans for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

Veterans’ Preference: Effective January 1, 2014, in accordance with Government Codes 18973.1 and 18973.5, Veterans’ Preference will be awarded as follows: 1) Any veteran, widow or widower of a veteran, or spouse of a 100% disabled veteran, who achieves a passing score in an entrance examination, shall be ranked in the top rank of the resulting eligibility list. Any veteran who has been dishonorably discharged or released is not eligible for Veterans’ Preference. 2) An entrance examination is defined, under the law, as any open competitive examination. And 3) Veterans’ Preference is not granted once a person achieves permanent civil service status.

Veteran's status is verified by the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR). Directions to apply for Veterans’ Preference are on the Veteran's Preference Application (STD. Form 1093), which is available at https://jobs.ca.gov/Public/Jobs/Veterans.aspx, and the department of Veteran's Affairs.

TTY is Telecommunications Device for the Deaf and is reachable only from phones equipped with a TTY Device. California Relay (Telephone) Service for the Deaf or Hearing-impaired:

ONLY INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED TO WORK IN THE UNITED STATES WILL BE HIRED

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THIS CANCELS & SUPERSEDES THE EXAMINATION BULLETIN WITH A DATE OF 02/20/2015.