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## **Job Posting: Licensed Psychologist**

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**Location: Long Beach**

**Classification/Status:** Exempt/ Full-Time

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### **About The Guidance Center (TGC):**

The Guidance Center is a private, nonprofit community agency incorporated in California in 1946. We operate four mental health service delivery sites in southeast LA County, including Long Beach, San Pedro, Compton, and Avalon (Catalina Island). The mission of TGC is to provide comprehensive mental health treatment to our community's most disadvantaged children and their families struggling with mental illness and abuse, leading them toward a positive and productive future. TGC offers a competitive benefits package including medical, dental, vision, 403b with employer match, vacation, and 14 paid holidays.

### **Summary Statement:**

Under the supervision of the pediatric psychologist, the licensed psychologist provides mental health assessment and supportive treatment to underserved youth and families who have one or more medical conditions. Treatment is provided both as part of the pediatric consult team at Miller Children's and Women's Hospital and in the outpatient specialty mental health program (TWC) at The Guidance Center. Many therapist-client contacts are field-based (home, medical appointments, school, etc.), or more recently via telehealth, to overcome treatment barriers for vulnerable families. Cases seen through The Whole Child Program are typically referred directly via hospital discharges, specialty medical clinics, and primary care clinics.

Works well in a fast-paced environment; meet multiple and sometimes completing deadlines and at all times demonstrate ethical and cooperative behavior with staff, clients, visitors and others associated with The Guidance Center. Regular attendance is an important factor in employee's job performance in order for The Guidance Center to maintain efficient operations. Employees are expected to report to work as scheduled and on time.

### **Qualifications:**

Licensed as a psychologist with the California Board of Psychology (BOP)

Graduate of APA accredited clinical or counseling psychology doctoral program and APA accredited internship

Strong interpersonal skills and ability to work effectively with a team

Therapy and diagnostic experience with pediatric populations and work in medical settings

Experience with consultation and liaison and/or interdisciplinary consultation in a medical setting

Experience providing training or teaching to non-psychology professionals

At least two years of clinical supervision experience (may include time during graduate training)

Experience with brief treatment modalities



Excellent strategic thinking skills with the ability to operationalize concepts and transform ideas into action

Knowledge of and experience with providing therapy and psychological testing to children, adolescents, and families; in particular, experience with evidenced based practices

Knowledge of professional competencies for health service psychologists

Computer literate in Microsoft Office programs, such as Word, Excel and Outlook. Depending on position within the agency, may be required to have experience in or possess the ability to learn, PowerPoint, Publisher, Access or related database management software.

Must have vehicle and maintain a valid CA driver's license and automobile insurance, or other reliable transportation to travel to cities in Long Beach, San Pedro, Compton, or other areas in which the Center has business. Travel may also include travel by charter boat to the Island of Catalina in Avalon.

**Core Responsibilities (but not limited to):**

Participates in inpatient pediatric ward interdisciplinary rounds and provides mental health consultation as necessary (1/2 hour daily for each of two wards)

Reviews and responds in a timely manner to inpatient psychology consultation requests across three pediatric units (2 med/surg units and PICU) on designated "on-service" days

Participates in care/family conferences as appropriate

Provides consultation to multidisciplinary teams serving inpatients and outpatients

Assesses harm to self or others and provide behavioral de-escalation of patients, family members, and/or staff as necessary

Evaluates and provides brief, problem-focused treatment of childhood psychological disorders (i.e., adjustment disorder, depression, anxiety) and medical treatment adherence as identified while the patient is hospitalized

Provides direct clinical, psychosocial, and/or rehabilitative mental health services (office and field-based) to TWC clients, including but not limited to psych diagnostic assessment, individual, collateral, group, and family therapy, crisis intervention, telehealth, in-home, community services, and/or services at locations away from the Center. Coordination of services and case management, discharge planning, and case consultation are also required.

Interacts with the community at large and with specific allied agencies, other programs, and funding sources in a manner that facilitates and enhances the operation of the Center. In doing so, must understand the mission of the program and the Center.

Provides supervision to doctoral interns in an APA-accredited program and/or postdoctoral fellows

Participates in monthly The Whole Child program meetings

May be asked to deliver or pick-up important documents from/to other agencies in the greater Long



Beach/downtown Los Angeles areas.

Attends and participates on committees as requested and in job-related seminars, workshops, and webinars as required to maintain proficiency in designated field of employment. Participation is also required in program-specific and Center-wide meetings, including staff meetings and retreats/trainings. As a member of The Guidance Center, there is also a requirement to keep abreast of HIPAA security rules, and relevant regulatory body's administrative, physical, technical and security guidelines and laws as relevant to scope of responsibilities.

**Equal Employment Opportunities:**

The Guidance Center provides equal employment opportunities (EEO) to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion (including religious dress and grooming practices), gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, pregnancy (including breastfeeding and conditions related to breastfeeding), genetic information, marital status, ancestry or status as a covered veteran in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws. The Guidance Center complies with applicable state and local laws governing nondiscrimination in employment in every location in which the company has facilities. This policy applies to all terms and conditions of employment, including hiring, placement, promotion, termination, layoff, recall, and transfer, leaves of absence, compensation and training. We are firmly committed to maintaining a work setting in which people of diverse backgrounds and lifestyles may grow personally and professionally.

The Guidance Center expressly prohibits any form of unlawful employee harassment based on an individual's race, ancestry, color, religion (including religious dress and grooming practices), national origin, marital status, sex (including sexual harassment and gender identity), sexual orientation, disability (physical or mental including HIV/AIDS diagnosis), pregnancy (including breastfeeding and conditions related to breastfeeding), medical condition (cancer and genetic characteristics), age (40 or over), military and veteran status, or exercising the right to any legally provided leave of absence in the application of any policy, practice, rule or regulation. Improper interference with the ability of The Guidance Center employees to perform their expected job duties is absolutely not tolerated.

**How to Apply:**

For immediate consideration, please submit resume to [humanresource@tgclb.org](mailto:humanresource@tgclb.org)