

# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ALBUQUERQUE AREA INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE



The Albuquerque Area Indian Health Service defines its mission as a commitment to the well-being and cultural integrity of Indian people through a participatory and consultative process.

THE ALBUQUERQUE AREA INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE IS A "TOBACCO-FREE" ENVIRONMENT

# **VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NO.
SER-08-0439-ZSU

POSITION TITLE, SERIES, GRADE AND SALARY
Clinical Psychologist
GS-180-13, \$77,670 per annum
(Includes Locality Pay Adjustment)

OPENING DATE
08-29-08

Open Until Filled

LOCATION AND DUTY STATION
Division of Clinical Services
Department of Mental Health
Zuni, New Mexico

**AREA OF CONSIDERATION:** All Sources

**RELOCATION:** Relocation expenses will be paid.

## **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:**

- > One permanent full-time position. The incumbent of this position is subject to call back and/or standby work.
- This position involves operation of government vehicle to perform duties. Must possess and maintain valid state driver's license.
- If you are a male, born after December 31, 1959, and you want to be employed by the federal government, you must (subject to certain exemptions) be registered with the Selective Service System.
- In accordance with Chapter 12, Indian Health Manual, IHS Employee Immunization Program, selected candidate will be required to submit proof of immunity to the following diseases: Rubella and Measles.
- ➤ Before hiring, the IHS will ask you to complete a "Declaration for Federal Employment" and/or "Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment Indian Health Service Child Care & Indian Child Care Worker Positions" to determine your suitability for federal employment, to authorize a background investigation, and to certify the accuracy of all information in your application. Under P.L. 101-630 Indian Child Protection Act, anyone who answers in the affirmative will be found ineligible and unsuitable for employment in the Indian Health Service. If you make a false statement in any part of your application, you may not be hired; you may be fired after you begin work; or you may be fined or jailed.
- > This position requires that the selected individual obtain and maintain medical staff clinical privileges. If privileges are not obtained or maintained during employment, the employee may be subject to an adverse action, up to and including removal from the federal service.

# **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Provides a full range of psychological services including evaluation, diagnosis, referral, psychotherapy, crisis intervention and specialized treatment modalities for mental health problems of adults, adolescents and families. Administers and interprets psychological tests to adolescents and adults including intelligence, projective, organicity, MMPI, etc., testing and is especially sensitive to issues regarding minority groups and the Native American population served. Provides crisis intervention services to residents with a wide variety of acute mental health problems. Provides consultation to a wide variety of hospital staff (especially ER) about mental health matters. In the community, consults with schools, courts, state social services, and other organizations and to assess problems, survey resources, and explore alternative solutions to mental health issues. Develops and utilizes performance improvement programs and assists in establishing department goals and guidelines. Performs the work with full professional responsibility. Performs other duties as assigned. Performs other related duties as assigned.

#### COMPETITIVE AND EXCEPTED SERVICE QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

**Basic Requirements:** Satisfactory completion of all the requirements for the doctoral degree (Ph.D. or equivalent) directly related to full professional work in clinical psychology is required.

**In addition to meeting the Basic Requirements:** Candidates must have had 52 weeks of specialized experience equivalent to at least the GS-12 grade level.

**Specialized Experience:** Clinical experience working in acute care or critical care settings, i.e., emergency room, psychiatric hospital, crisis clinic, acute care hospital. The types of experience which will be credited are shown under "Duties and Responsibilities".

**PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE (PHS) LICENSURE POLICY:** Each PHS clinical psychologist must possess and maintain a valid, current, unrestricted licensure or certification in a State. This policy only applies to position filled in the 180 Psychology series and when the position description contains the term "clinical" in its title. Clinical psychologist who enter PHS, must have obtained a Doctoral Degree in the 12 months preceding appointment, yet do not meet the supervision – time requirements for licensure may not function independently but shall be under the direct supervision of a qualified licensed clinical psychologist.

**TIME-IN-GRADE REQUIREMENTS:** Merit Promotion candidates must have completed at least 52 weeks of service no more than 1 grade lower than the position to be filled.

**EVALUATION METHOD AND RANKING FACTORS:** Evaluation will be made of the extent to which experience, education, training, self-development, performance appraisal, outside activities, and/or awards demonstrate that basically qualified candidates possess the Ranking Factors-KSAs described below. **It is to the applicant's advantage to address the following KSA's on a separate sheet of paper.** 

- 1. Knowledge of professional clinical psychology.
- 2. Skill in community psychology.
- 3. Ability to provide case consultation to staff and other.
- 4. Ability to manage crisis.

#### WHO MAY APPLY:

**Merit Promotion Plan (MPP) Candidates:** Applications will be accepted from status eligibles (e.g., reinstatement eligibles and current permanent employees in the competitive federal service) and from current permanent IHS employees in the Excepted Service who are entitled to Indian preference.

**Excepted Service Examining Plan (ESEP) Candidates:** Applications will be accepted from individuals entitled to Indian preference. Current permanent IHS Excepted Service employees and competitive service employees or reinstatement eligible entitled to Indian preference may also apply under the provision of the Indian Health Service Excepted Service Examining Plan.

Candidates <u>MUST INDICATE</u> whether their application is submitted under the IHS Excepted Service Examining Plan, the IHS Area Merit Promotion Plan, or both.

**Non-Status Candidates:** Applications will also be accepted from non-status candidates (individual who have never been employed by the federal government) and individuals eligible for non-competitive appointment (e.g., applicants eligible for appointment under the Veterans Readjustment Act, the severely handicapped, those with a 30% or more compensable service-connected disability).

**Commissioned Corps Officers:** The USPHS Commissioned Corps Officers who wish to apply for this vacancy announcement must submit a resume and all other documents specified in this announcement.

**Indian Preference**: Indian Health Service is required by law to give absolute preference in employment to qualified Indian preference candidates.

Under the <u>Veterans Employment Opportunities Act (VEOA)</u>, veterans who are preference eligibles or who have been separated from the armed forces under honorable conditions after 3 years or more of continuous active service may apply for <u>permanent</u> positions as an MPP candidate; however veterans' preference is not a factor in these appointments. Candidates must submit a copy of their DD-214 or other proof of eligibility.

**Reasonable Accommodations:** This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify Cynthia Tsalate (505) 782-7515. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

<u>Career Transition Assistance Program (CTAP)/Interagency Career Transition Plan (ICTAP):</u> Surplus or displaced employees covered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services CTAP program or the ICTAP program for all agencies, may apply and will be given special selection priority if determined to be eligible and well qualified. <u>Well qualified</u> is defined as meeting all education, experience, knowledge's, skills and abilities (KSA's) with a score in the above average range of a four-level crediting plan for all KSA's. For information on how to apply and required proof of eligibility, please refer to the following hyperlinks: **CTAP** at <a href="http://career.psc.gov/chpublic/ictap.html">http://career.psc.gov/chpublic/ictap.html</a>

Only U.S. citizens may be appointed to the competitive service.

## WHERE TO APPLY:

# Applications must be received at the following address:

Indian Health Service – Zuni Service Unit ATTN: Human Resources P.O. Box 467 Zuni, NM 87327

For copies of vacancy announcements, download from the IHS website at <a href="www.ihs.gov">www.ihs.gov</a> or the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) website at <a href="www.usajobs.opm.gov">www.usajobs.opm.gov</a>. Email applications will be accepted. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that application materials are formatted in a manner that will transmit successfully. **FAXED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** We do not FAX vacancy announcements. For inquires, contact Cynthia Tsalate, Human Resources Specialist, (505) 782-7515.

## **REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:**

- ➤ Verification of Indian Preference: Applicants who wish to receive Indian Preference MUST submit the BIA Form 4432, Verification of Indian Preference for Employment in BIA and IHS only. This certifies the applicant as an Indian as defined by the Indian Health Manual, Chapter 3, Indian Preference, dated March 14, 2001. Indian preference will not be given unless the BIA Form 4432 is attached to the application/Résumé.
- > OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment. Form may be downloaded from: http://www.opm.gov/Forms/pdf\_fill/of0306.pdf
- > Applicants must submit a copy of college transcripts to meet positive education requirements. Official transcripts will be required prior to entry on duty.
- > Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment IHS Child Care & Indian Child Care Worker Positions
- > Copy of valid license/registration as required by PHS Licensure Policy
- Copy of valid state driver's license.
- > See 'HOW TO APPLY' on last page, for additional information.

# OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- ➤ Persons who submit incomplete applications will be given credit only for the information they provide and may not, therefore, receive full credit for their veteran preference determination, Indian preference, education, training and/or experience.
- ➤ All material submitted for consideration under this announcement becomes the property of Division of Human Resources and is subject to verification. Therefore, careful attention should be given to the information provided. Fraudulent statements or any form of misrepresentation in the application process could result in loss of consideration for this position and/or a determination of unsuitability for federal employment.

- Additional or alternate selections may be made from a promotion certificate within 90 days from the date the selection certificate was issued. The positions to be filled must have the same title, series, and grade, be in the same geographic location and have the same qualification requirements. However, if there are no qualified Indian preference candidates left on the certificate, the vacancy <u>must</u> be re-announced.
- ➤ EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Except for Indian preference, consideration will be given without regard to any non-merit factor such as race, color, religion, sex, national origin, partisan politics, physical or mental handicap, marital status, age, membership or non-membership in any employee organization, or sexual orientation.

DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES CLEARANCE:						
08-28-08						
Date						

# Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment (OF 306) **Indian Health Service** Child Care & Indian Child Care Worker Positions

Item 15a. Agency Specific Questions					
Name:		Social Security Number:			
Job Tit	(Please print) le in Announcement:	Announcement Number:			
		lic Law 101-647, requires that employment applications for Federal child care positions contain been arrested for or charged with a crime involving a child and for the disposition of the arrest			
and Hun		tion, Public Law 101-630, contains a related requirement for positions in the Department of He with or control over Indian children. The agency must ensure that persons hired for these positiendere or guilty to certain crimes.			
To assu	re compliance with the above laws,	the following questions are added to the Declaration for Federal Employment:			
1)	Have you ever been arrested for or charged with a crime involving a child? YESNO				
		nation of the violation, disposition of the arrest or charge, place of ress of the police department or court involved.]			
2)	misdemeanor offense under Feder	f, or entered a plea of nolo contendere (no contest) or guilty to, any felonious or al, State, or tribal law involving crimes of violence; sexual assault, molestation, a; or crimes against persons; or offenses committed against children? YES			
	[If "YES", provide the date, exploration and address of the police depart.	nation of the violation, disposition of the arrest or charge, place of occurrence, and the nent or court involved.]	he		
years in copy of	nprisonment, or both; and (2) I have	ions is made under penalty of perjury, which is punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 or received notice that a criminal check will be conducted. I understand my right to obtavilable to the Indian Health Service and my right to challenge the accuracy and in the report.			
Applica	nnt=s Signature (sign in ink)	Date			
Public B		ith Paperwork Reduction Act (5 CFR 1320.8 (b)(3), a Federal			

agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Respondents must be informed (on the reporting instrument, in instructions, or in a cover letter) the reasons for which the information will be collected; the way the information will be used to further the proper performance of the functions of the agency; whether responses to the collection of the information are voluntary, required to obtain a benefit (citing authority), or mandatory (citing authority); and the nature and extent of confidentiality to be provided, if any (citing authority). Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the necessary data, and completing and reviewing the collection information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information to the IHS PRA Information Collection Clearance Staff, 12300 Twinbrook Parkway, Suite 450, Rockville, MD 20852. Please do not send completed data collection instruments to this address.

FORM APPROVED: O.M.B. NO. 0917-0028 Expires 02/28/2009

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

The federal government does not require a standard application form for most jobs, but certain information is needed to evaluate your qualifications and determine if you meet legal requirements for federal employment.

# Optional Application for Federal Employment – Form Number | Résumé or Other written application format with information **OF-612**

requested below.

http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf\_fill/of612.pdf

If your résumé or application does not provide all the information we request, you may lose consideration for a job. Applicants who submit incomplete applications will be given credit ONLY for the information they provide and may not receive full credit for their veteran preference determination, Indian preference, education, training and/or experience.

Procedure for using résumé or other written application: Format MUST contain the following information. FAILURE TO INCLUDE ANY OF THE INFORMATION LISTED BELOW MAY RESULT IN LOSS OF CONSIDERATION FOR THIS POSITION. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL NOT BE SOLICITED BY THIS OFFICE.

# **JOB INFORMATION**

Announcement number, title and grade of the job for which you are applying.

# **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Full name, mailing address (with ZIP codes), day and evening telephone numbers (with Area codes).

Social Security Number.

Country of citizenship.

#### **EDUCATION**

High School (name, city, state, ZIP code if known), and date of diploma or GED.

College and/or universities (name, city, state ZIP code if known), majors, type and year of any degrees received (if no degree show total semester or quarter hours earned).

To obtain educational credit, applicants must submit a copy of all college transcripts.

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Copy of latest Notification of Personnel Action (SF-50B) if current or former federal employee.

Highest federal civilian grade held (give job series and dates held)

Work experience (paid and unpaid)

Job title (include series and grade if federal job)

Duties and accomplishments

Employer's name and address

Supervisor's name and telephone number

Starting and ending dates (month and year)

Hours per week

Salary

Indicate if we may contact your current supervisor.

#### **OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

Give dates but do not send documents unless requested

Job related training courses

Job related skills, i.e., computer software/hardware, tools, typing speed

Job related certificates and licenses (if you are a licensed medical professional, submit copy of license to practice)

Honors, awards, special accomplishments, i.e., publications, memberships, in professional or honor societies, leadership activities, public speaking, and performance awards.

# **KSA**

Submit a copy of applicable documents with your application if you are in the following categories:						
COMMISSIONED OFFICER	INDIAN PREFERENCE	VETERAN PREFERENCE	FEDERAL EMPLOYEE			
<ul> <li>Current Billet description</li> <li>Most recent "Commissioned Officers Effectiveness Report".</li> <li>Child Care Statement Form</li> <li>Applicable Licensure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Verification of Indian         Preference for employment,         Bureau of Indian Affairs         (BIA) Form 4432.</li> <li>Preference will not be given         unless a copy of the BIA         Form 4432 is attached to         the application.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Certificates of Release or discharge from Active Duty, VA form DD-214, and/or</li> <li>Application for 10-point Veterans Preference, Form SF-15 and supporting documents.</li> <li>To receive preference if your service began October 15, 1976, you must have a Campaign Badge, Expeditionary Medal, or a service connect disability.</li> <li>Preference will not be given unless a copy of the DD-214 (with appropriate dates) is attached to the application.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Latest Notification of Personnel         Action, SF-50B verifying civil         service status, grade, etc.</li> <li>Current performance appraisal.</li> <li>Priority consideration will not be         given to DISPLACED FEDERAL         EMPLOYEES, unless a copy of the         appropriate documentation such as         a RIF separation letter, a letter from         OPM or your agency documentation         showing your priority consideration         status, is attached to the         application.</li> </ul>			