



Nursing Consultant, Program Review

Exam Code: 0PBHK

Department: State of California

Exam Type: Servicewide, Open

Final Filing Date: Continuous

CLASSIFICATION DETAILS

NURSING CONSULTANT, PROGRAM REVIEW – \$7,600.00 - \$14,592.00 per month.

[View the Nursing Consultant, Program Review classification specification](#)

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Final Filing Date: Continuous

Who Should Apply:

Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated on this bulletin may apply for and take this examination.

Once you have taken this examination, you may not retake it for **six (6)** months.

How to Apply:

The link to connect to the Training and Experience Evaluation is located farther down on this bulletin in the “Taking the Exam” section.

Special Testing Arrangements:

If you require special testing arrangements due to a verified disability or medical condition, please contact:

California Department of Human Resources
CalCareer Service Center
1810 16th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
Phone: (866) 844-8671
Email: CalCareer@CalHR.CA.GOV

California Relay Service: 7-1-1 (TTY and voice)

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements as stated on this exam bulletin to be accepted into the examination. Part-time or full-time jobs, regardless of whether paid or volunteer positions, and inside or outside California state service will count toward experience.

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Possession of a valid license to practice as a registered nurse in California. (Applicants who do not possess such a license will be admitted to the examination, but they must secure such a license before they will be considered eligible for appointment.)

AND

Experience: Three years of progressively responsible experience in nursing/psychiatric nursing, which must have included in addition to direct care of developmentally disabled clients and/or psychiatric patients; and/or inmates or youthful offenders:

Either 1

Two years of administrative experience at a level of responsibility comparable to an assistant coordinator of nursing services in a large facility for the developmentally disabled and/or hospital for the mentally disabled or acute/subacute care correctional facility; or a Supervising Registered Nurse in a large correctional facility.
and

One year of experience as a nursing consultant, or as a director of nursing education/psychiatric nursing in an accredited State mental hospital/developmental center or acute care correctional facility or nurse training program with responsibility for instruction of students at several levels of nursing practice.

Or 2

Three years of experience as a nursing consultant.

AND

Education: Graduation from an accredited school of nursing, possession of a baccalaureate degree, and possession of a master's degree, preferably in nursing administration. (One year of additional experience in an administrative or consultative capacity may be substituted for the master's degree.)

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Nursing Consultant, Program Review

Under direction, to review nursing programs in the developmental centers, correctional facilities, and/or State mental hospitals; to make reports and recommendations on the

status of nursing services; to evaluate and recommend on nursing care standards; and to do other related work.

EXAMINATION SCOPE

This examination consists of the following components:

Training and Experience Evaluation – Weighted 100% of the final score.

The examination will consist solely of a **Training and Experience Evaluation**. To obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum score of 70% must be received. Applicants will receive their score upon completion of the Training and Experience Evaluation process.

In addition to evaluating applicants' relative knowledge, skills, and ability, as demonstrated by quality and breadth of education and/or experience, emphasis in each exam component will be measuring competitively, relative job demands, each applicant's:

Knowledge of:

1. Theory and practice of psychiatric/developmental disabilities and general nursing
2. Developmental center, State mental hospital, and/or State correctional facility organization
3. Management and procedure, particularly in relation to nursing services
4. Current developments in the field of general/psychiatric/developmental disabilities nursing; personnel management
5. Principles, methods and objectives of training nursing personnel; accepted practices of other health professions
6. Current trends in mental health/developmental disabilities
7. Research methods and techniques
8. Manager's/supervisor's responsibility for promoting equal opportunity in hiring and employee development and promotion, and for maintaining a work environment that is free of discrimination and harassment

Ability to:

1. Evaluate the effectiveness of a broad nursing/psychiatric nursing education program
2. Evaluate complex and varied administrative problems and take appropriate action
3. Effectively with a variety of administrators and others responsible for line operations
4. Interpret mental health/developmental disability programs to individuals and groups
5. Communicate effectively
6. Effectively promote equal opportunity in employment and maintain a work environment that is free of discrimination and harassment

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

A servicewide, open eligible list for the **Nursing Consultant, Program Review** classification will be established for the State of California (all State of California departments).

The names of **successful** competitors will be merged onto the eligible list in order of final score regardless of exam date. Eligibility expires **twelve (12) months** after it is established. Applicants must then retake the examination to reestablish eligibility.

Veterans' Preference will be granted for this examination. In accordance with Government Codes 18973.1 and 18973.5, whenever any veteran, or widow or widower of a veteran achieves a passing score on an open examination, he or she shall be ranked in the top rank of the resulting eligible list.

Veterans status is verified by the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR). Information on this program and [the Veterans' Preference Application](#) (Std. form 1093) is available online. Additional information on veteran benefits is available at the Department of Veterans Affairs.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

[Preview of the Nursing Consultant, Program Review Training and Experience Evaluation](#)

PREPARING FOR THE EXAMINATION

Here is a list of suggested resources to have available prior to taking the exam.

Employment History: Employment dates, job titles, organization names and addresses, names of supervisors or persons who can verify your job responsibilities, and phone numbers of persons listed above.

Education: School names and addresses, degrees earned, dates attended, courses taken (verifiable on a transcript), persons or office who can verify education, and phone numbers of persons or offices listed above.

Training: Class titles, certifications received, names of persons who can verify your training, and phone numbers of persons listed above.

TAKING THE EXAMINATION

[Take the Nursing Consultant, Program Review examination](#)

TESTING DEPARTMENTS

State of California (all State of California departments)

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The State of California is an equal opportunity employer to all, regardless of age, ancestry, color, disability (mental and physical), exercising the right of family care and medical leave, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, medical condition, military or veteran status, national origin, political affiliation, race, religious creed, sex (includes pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding, and related medical conditions), and sexual orientation.

DRUG-FREE STATEMENT

It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free State work place. Any applicant for State employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective, because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the State, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Examination and/or Employment Application (STD 678) forms are available at the California Department of Human Resources, local offices of the Employment Development Department, and through your [CalCareer Account](#).

If you meet the requirements stated on this examination bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described in this bulletin will be rated against a predetermined job-related rating, and all applicants who pass will be ranked according to their score.

The California Department of Human Resources 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 laws and rules and all applicants will be notified.

General Qualifications: Applicants must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgement, the work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history and fingerprinting may be required.

Eligible Lists: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on the bulletin.

High School Equivalence: Equivalence to completion of the 12th grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Education Development (GED) Test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college-level work; 3) certification from the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school authorities that the competitor is considered to have education equivalent to

graduation from high school; or 4) for clerical and accounting classes, substitution of business college work in place of high school on a year-for-year basis.