

MAURITIUS PUBLIC SERVICE

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT NO. 2 OF 2021

Vacancy for Post of Psychologist/Senior Psychologist
Ministry of Gender Equality and Family Welfare

Applications are invited from qualified candidates who wish to be considered for appointment as Psychologist/Senior Psychologist in the Ministry of Gender Equality and Family Welfare.

II. AGE LIMIT

Candidates, unless already in the Service, should not have reached their **40th** birthday by the closing date for the submission of applications.

III. QUALIFICATIONS

A. Candidates should possess -

- (i) a degree in Psychology from a recognised institution.
- (ii) a Master's Degree in Clinical Psychology or Counselling Psychology or Psychology with specialisation in Clinical Psychology from a recognised institution.

OR

Equivalent qualifications to A(i) and A(ii) above acceptable to the Public Service Commission.

B. Candidates should also –

- (i) possess good interpersonal and communication skills; and
- (ii) be computer literate.

NOTE

1. **The onus for the submission of equivalence of qualification (if applicable) from the relevant authorities (Higher Education Commission or Mauritius Qualifications Authority) rests on the candidates. Applications will not be considered in case of non-submission of Equivalence Certificate, as appropriate, by the closing date.**
2. Candidates may be required to sit for a written examination as part of the selection process.
3. The Commission reserves the right:
 - (i) to convene **only** the best qualified candidates for interview; and
 - (ii) not to make any appointment following this advertisement.

IV. DUTIES AND SALARY

1. To provide psychological assessment and treatment services for clients referred by the various units of the Ministry by utilising a variety of evidence-based practices, established principles and techniques.
2. To provide evaluation that addresses particular psychological and developmental needs of children and/or parents that are relevant to child protection issues and child custody.
3. To evaluate the effectiveness of counselling or psychological treatments, and the accuracy and completeness of diagnoses and modify plans and diagnoses as deemed appropriate.
4. To make referral, where appropriate, to other specialists, institutions or support services, as necessary.
5. To assist technical staff of the Ministry in assessing the risk posed by the perpetrators.
6. To participate in the education and training of relevant staff and stakeholders on psychological knowledge and skills.
7. To conduct mass counselling sessions and talks/sensitisation programmes on psychological/mental health issues.
8. To prepare reports for other services (court, police, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions), as and when required.
9. To provide forensic psychological interventions in cases referred by the Judiciary and the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions.
10. To provide psychological evaluation (including assessment of criminal responsibility) and assessment of competency to stand trial in cases referred by the Judiciary and the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions and to act as expert witness in court cases involving children victims of violence, alleged child perpetrators and child custody issues.
11. To provide pre-trial and post-trial support to children victims of violence and alleged child perpetrators involved in court proceedings.
12. To advise the Ministry in the formulation of plans and policies relating to children and families, as and when required.
13. To effect visits and provide psychological assistance to families in distress, victims of domestic violence and victims of sexual assault amongst others.
14. To use ICT in the performance of his duties.
15. To perform such other duties directly related to the main duties listed above or related to the delivery of the output and results expected from the Psychologist/Senior Psychologist in the roles ascribed to him.

Note

Psychologist/Senior Psychologists may be required to work outside normal working hours including Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays and officially declared cyclone days.

The permanent and pensionable post carries salary in the scale Rs 29,400 x 775 – 32,500 x 925 – 37,125 x 1,225 – 40,800 x 1,525 - 49,950 x 1,625 – 62,950 a month.

V. MODE OF APPLICATION

1. Qualified candidates are advised to submit their application **electronically** at the following address:

<http://psc.govmu.org>

2. Candidates may also apply electronically at the Enquiry Counter of the Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side from **9.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. on weekdays and not later than 3.00 p.m. on the closing date.**
3. Candidates are requested to follow the procedures that can be accessed through the **“How to Apply”** option on the above address.
4. Candidates already in the service **should** also submit a printed copy of their electronic Application Form, **duly signed**, through their respective Supervising Officer/Responsible Officer.
5. Acknowledgement of applications will be made, as far as possible, by **e-mail**. Candidates are, therefore, advised to submit their e-mail address.
6. For queries regarding **Username & Password**, the Government Online Centre (GOC) may be contacted on the e-mail address **support@ncb.mu** or on phone number **454 9955**.
7. For **technical support and other queries**, the helpdesk of the Public Service Commission may be contacted on e-mail address **pdsc@govmu.org** or phone number **670 9705** or fax number **670 3417**.
8. Candidates are also advised to read carefully the **“NOTES AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE APPLICATION (in response to Public Advertisement)”** before filling in the Application Form. Care should be taken to fill in the online Application Form correctly. **Incomplete, inadequate or inaccurate filling of the Application Form may entail elimination of the candidate.**

9. The Commission reiterates its request to candidates to submit their application electronically. However, qualified candidates not applying online may submit their application on **PSC Form 7** which may be obtained **either** from the Enquiry Counter of the Ministry of Public Service, Administrative and Institutional Reforms, Ground Floor, Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Port Louis **or** from the Enquiry Counter of the Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side **or** from the Chief Commissioner's Office, Port Mathurin, Rodrigues **or** from the offices of the Mauritius High Commissions/Embassies overseas.

VI. CLOSING DATE

Applications should reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, 7, Louis Pasteur Street, Forest Side, **not later than 3.00 p.m. (local time) on Tuesday 09 February 2021.** Applications received after the specified closing date and time will **not** be considered.

Date: 20 January 2021

Public Service Commission,
7, Louis Pasteur Street,
FOREST-SIDE.