



**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

Abstract

Health & Family Welfare Department - Medical Education Service - Establishment - Qualification and method of appointment of Clinical Psychologist and Psychiatric Social Worker - Revised orders issued

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**HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (S) DEPARTMENT**

**GO (MS) No. 54 /2009/H&FWD**

**Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26.02.2009**

- Read: 1. GO (MS) No. 216/81/HD. dated 27.07.1981.  
2. GO (MS) No. 220/82/HD . dated 30.09.1982.  
3. GO (MS) No. 190/83/HD . dated 25.07.1983.  
4. Letter No. H2/542/2000/DME dated 25.04.2000 from the Director of Medical Education, Thiruvananthapuram.  
5. Letter No. AII(3) 28077/05/GW dated 15.06.2006 and 20.12.2008 from the Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram.  
6. DO Letter No. H2/542/2000/DME dated 2.11.2007 from Dr. V. Geetha, Joint Director of Medical Education, Thiruvananthapuram.

**ORDER**

As per the Government Orders read as 1st, 2nd and 3rd papers above Government have fixed qualification and method of appointment to the post of Clinical Psychologist in Neurology Department, Clinical Psychologists and Clinical Audiometrician in the Department of ENT and Psychiatric Social Worker in the Department of Psychiatry in Medical Colleges under Medical Education Service.

As per the letter read as 4th paper above, Director of Medical Education has furnished the proposal for considering the Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical Psychology (PGDCP) and Post Graduate Diploma in Psychiatric Social Work (PGDPSW) conducted by the Centre of Behavioral Sciences under Director of Medical Education, Kerala as eligible qualification for the Posts of Clinical Psychologists and Psychiatric Social Worker respectively.

As per the letter read as 5<sup>th</sup> paper above, Kerala Public Service Commission has agreed to the proposal for including Post Graduate Diploma Course in Clinical Psychology and post Graduate Diploma Course in Psychiatric Social Work conducted by the Director of Medical Education, Kerala as an alternative qualification for the Posts of Clinical Psychologist and Psychiatric Social Worker respectively.

In the circumstances, Government are pleased to modify the Government Order read as 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above by including Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical Psychology and Post Graduate Diploma in Psychiatric Social Work conducted by the Director of Medical Education as an alternative qualification respectively for the posts of Clinical Psychologist and Psychiatric Social Worker in Medical Education Department and Health Services Department as follows:

## **Category - I - Clinical Psychologist in Neurology Department**

### **Qualifications:-**

- A (1)** M.A with I or II class  
**(2)** Successful completion of two years course of Diploma in Medical and Social Psychology from the All India Institute of Mental Health, Bangalore or equivalent.

OR

- B (1)** M.A in Psychology with I or II class.  
**(2)** Teaching experience in Clinical Psychology at least for a period of two years.

OR

- C (1)** M.A in Psychology with I or II class  
**(2)** Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical Psychology (PGDCP) course or equivalent conducted by the Director of Medical Education, Kerala.

### **Method of appointment**

Direct Recruitment

### **Age limit**

Should have completed 21 years of age and should not have completed 35 years, as on the first day of January of the year in which applications are invited, with usual relaxation to SC/ST and OBC.

## **Category - II - Post of Clinical Psychologist and Clinical Audiometrician - Department of ENT**

### **A. Clinical Psychologist**

#### **Qualifications :**

- (i) M.A. in Psychology with experimental Psychology as a subject or any other qualification recognized as equivalent by the Government of Kerala.  
(ii) Post Graduate Diploma in Medical and Social Psychology imparted from NIMHANS, Bangalore or Ranchi or any other equivalent qualification recognized by the Government of Kerala.

OR

- (i) M.A. in Psychology with experimental Psychology as a subject or any other qualification recognized as equivalent by the Government of Kerala.

- (ii) Post Graduate Diploma in clinical Psychology (PGDCP) course conducted by the Director of Medical Education, Kerala.

**Method of appointment**

By Direct Recruitment

**Age limit**

Should have completed 21 years of age and should not have completed 35 years, as on the first day of January of the year in which applications are invited, with usual relaxation to SC/ST and OBC.

**B. Clinical Audiometrician Grade II**

**Qualification**

- (i) A pass in S.S.L.C or its equivalent qualification with a minimum period of 3 years experience as audiometrician.

**Note:-** The experience should be one acquired from any Government Medical College, Government Hospital or from any major research programme involving hearing assessment.

- (ii) Sound knowledge in handling audiometers and using them to test hearing.

**Note:-** Knowledge in handling audiometers will be tested in a practical test conducted at the time of selection.

**Method of appointment**

Direct Recruitment

**Age limit**

Should have completed 21 years of age and should not have completed 35 years, as on the first day of January of the year in which applications are invited, with usual relaxation to SC/ST and OBC.

**Category III - Post of psychiatric Social Worker in the Department of Psychiatry**

**Qualifications**

M.Phil in Psychiatric Social Work

OR

M.A. Sociology or M.A Psychology with diploma in Psychiatric Social Work.

OR

MSW with diploma in Psychiatric Social Work.

OR

Post Graduate Diploma in Psychiatric Social Work (PGDPSW) conducted by the Director of Medical Education, Kerala

**Method of appointment**

By direct recruitment

**Age limit**

Should have completed 21 years of age and should not have completed 35 years, as on the first day of January of the year in which applications are invited, with usual relaxation to SC/ST and OBC.

By Order of Governor  
Dr. VISHWAS MEHTA  
Secretary to Government

To

The Director of Medical Education, Thiruvananthapuram  
The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram (with CL)  
The Registrar University of Kerala/Calicut/Mahatma Gandhi/Kannur/Sree  
Sankara Sanskrit University/ Cochin University of Science & Technology (with CL)  
The Principals of all Government Medical Colleges in Kerala  
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