

## Disability Review Psychologist

**Announcement Posted:**

04/19/23

**Responses must be hand delivered or postmarked by:**

07/31/23

**Salary Range:**

\$99,361 to \$111,111

**Plus Location Pay (New York City Only): \$3,026****Location:**

Division of Disability Determinations:

These positions may exist in one of the following locations:

Albany Processing Center  
One Commerce Plaza  
Albany, NY 12210

Buffalo Processing Center  
295 Main Street  
Buffalo, NY 14203

Binghamton Processing Center  
2001 Perimeter Road East  
Endicott, NY 13760

New York City Processing Center  
25 Beaver Street  
New York City, NY 10004

**Grade:**

25

**# of Positions:**

4

**Candidates Must Meet the Following Qualifications:**

Eligible for a lateral transfer or eligible for a 70.1 transfer by having one year of permanent competitive service in an appropriate title;

View a complete listing of [70.1 transferable titles](#); **OR**

Reachable on the appropriate eligible list in Albany, New York City, Endicott, or Buffalo; **OR**

Eligible candidates must possess a doctoral degree in Psychology and be licensed and currently registered to practice Psychology in New York State.

## Notes

1. Information regarding New York State licensure may be obtained from the State Board for Psychology by contacting the New York State Education Department Office of the Professions, Division of Professional Licensing Services, Psychology Unit, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12234-1000; or by calling (518) 474 3817, Ext. 592; or e-mail at [opunit5@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:opunit5@mail.nysed.gov).
2. In order to be eligible for appointment and to maintain employment, you cannot be listed as an excluded individual or entity on any of the Federal and/or State Medicaid and Medicare exclusion lists (or excluded from any other Federal or Federally assisted program). If you are appointed and subsequently listed as an excluded individual or entity on any of these lists (or excluded from any other federal or federally assisted program), you may be terminated from your employment.
3. New York State residence is not required.

**The agency may, at its discretion, nominate qualified candidates for a permanent appointment under the provisions of Rule 4.2 (b) of the Rules for the Classified Service.**

## Duties of Position:

The Disability Review Psychologist would participate as a member of a disability adjudication team, in the granting or disapproval of disability claims under the Social Security law.

The duties of these positions will include, but not limited to, the following:

- Evaluate medical and psychological information provided in support of Social Security disability claims. Interprets psychiatric and psychological tests and reports, applying Social Security Administration standards to ensure accurate and uniform documentation and determinations.
- Evaluate complex psychological or psychiatric issues using professional expertise and program guidelines to ensure an appropriate resolution, or to prepare a well-developed policy referral.
- Provide advice and consultation to the Division of Disability Determinations staff in the interpretation of medical and psychological information and in the pursuit of further information needed to apply the federal regulations and guidelines.
- Provide advice and consultation to Disability Analysts in determining the needs for consultative examinations and recommend alternate approaches to obtaining required evidence if it appears such examinations are unnecessary.
- Obtain additional documentation or clarifying information by specialist-to-specialist phone contacts with previously contacted or newly identified treatment sources (or other third-party sources)
- Provide training to staff in evaluation and interpretation of medical reports, data and examination results
- Working with the Division's Medical Relations Office, assist in developing and improving relations with the medical community to improve the flow of needed supportive medical documentation and to minimize case processing time.

## Conditions of Employment:

Full-time permanent or provisional appointments will be made. If certified by Civil Service, mandatory reemployment list candidates must be considered first for appointment to this title.

Please be advised that all hires or transfers to OTDA's Division of Disability Determinations must submit to mandatory fingerprinting and an associated FBI background investigation by the Social Security Administration under Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12. Not all prior arrests and/or convictions will prohibit appointment. Information is considered on a case-by-case basis.

## Remarks:

- Candidates should reference posting #23-081 when submitting your application.
- If submitting electronically, please reference posting #23-081 as part of your subject line.
- If you are interested in applying to this position, please visit [how to apply](#) for applicant instructions.