Deputy Director IV

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

Performs highly advanced (senior-level) policy administration and managerial work. Work involves strategic planning, state agency administration, and working closely with the executive director on the day-to-day operations of the agency or oversees major, complex, and functionally-related areas organized into multiple departments and/or divisions. Supervises the work of others including staff at the executive level and/or management level. Works under minimal supervision, with extensive latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

**DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS**

The Deputy Director job classification series typically embody greater scope and complexity than the Director job classification series and is intended for positions that typically either work directly with the executive director overseeing the operations of the agency or are responsible for oversight of major, complex, and functionally-related areas organized into multiple departments and/or divisions. Typically, employees would direct other executive, managerial, and professional staff and act with full authority of the executive director. The appropriate level within this job classification series will depend on the scope, complexity of duties and responsibilities, and/or the size or functions of the agency. It is possible for a high-level Director (such as Director V, VI, or VII) in a large organization to have a greater level of responsibility, scope of function, and impact than a Deputy Director for a smaller organization.

**EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED**

Directs the day-to-day operations of the agency, which may include the agency's financial and budget activities and other operational or programmatic activities or oversees major, complex, and functionally-related areas organized into multiple departments and/or divisions.

Directs the preparation of agency policies, procedures, reports, and studies.

Directs and approves the preparation of the budget and determines long-range budgetary plans agency wide, or for several departments and/or divisions.

Oversees and implements appropriate resources to ensure that the operations of the agency are appropriate.

Oversees the strategic planning process and implementation of strategic plans.
Provides strategic direction and approves operational and staff resources for departments and/or divisions.

Provides information, advice, and counsel to the executive director and other executives and management in the planning, development, and operation of agency services; keeps the executive director informed on the status and progress of operations in major departments or divisions and/or across the agency.

Provides information and advice to state agencies and the general public regarding agency activities and responsibilities.

Participates in activities related to the legislative process including conferring with the executive director to determine policy and legislative priorities; oversees the implementation of legislative changes.

Represents the agency in meetings with legislators, legislative staff, and other legislative liaisons; may provide testimony before legislative committees.

Confers with board members, organization officials, and staff members to discuss issues, coordinate activities, and resolve problems.

Reviews and analyzes agency operations to evaluate the performance of the agency and to identify areas of potential program modifications and improvements.

Ensures that the agency adheres to agency goals, objectives, and strategies.

Identifies and manages strategic risks.

May act as executive director in the absence of the executive director.

May oversee funding and operating agreements between agency and service providers.

Supervises the work of others including staff at the executive level and/or management level.

Performs related work as assigned.

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Experience in policy administration and management work. Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major coursework in business or public administration or a related field is generally preferred. Experience and education may be substituted for one another.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of local, state, and federal laws and regulations; of business and management principles involved in strategic planning, resource allocation, and leadership techniques; of accounting, budgeting and financial principles; and of the principles and practices of public administration and management.
Ability to plan, organize, and direct program activities and/or business functions; to establish program goals and objectives that support the strategic plan; to identify problems, evaluate alternatives, and implement effective solutions; to direct the development and implementation of agency policies and procedures; to prepare concise reports; to make presentations and testify at hearings; to communicate effectively; and to supervise the work of others.

**REGISTRATION, CERTIFICATION, OR LICENSURE**

May require registration, certification, or licensure in a specialty area.