



**Position Title:** Collaborating Psychiatrist  
**Responsible To:** Director, Strategic Planning & Compliance  
**Effective Date:** February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Position Summary:**

Provident is a St. Louis based behavioral health agency with a rich history of serving the community for since 1860. We are adding psychiatric services to our treatment menu to best meet the needs of the over 2,100 counseling clients we treat each year.

The Collaborating Psychiatrist will engage in a Collaborative Practice Agreement with Provident's contracted Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) who is licensed in the state of Missouri and able to prescribe psychiatric medications. Per Missouri statute 334.104., advanced practice nurses must practice with a Collaborating Practice Agreement with a physician in order to have authority to administer, dispense, or prescribe medications.

The Collaborating Psychiatrist will be responsible for reviewing a minimum of 10% of the APRN's charts every 14 days. Chart reviews can be conducted remotely via Provident's Electronic Health Record. This position will be reimbursed at an hourly rate.

Missouri also requires that the Collaborating Physician be on-site during the first 30 days of the Collaborative Practice Agreement, which would be during the initial phases of Provident's outpatient psychiatry program when the APRN would be working between 4 to 8 hours per week.

**Job Requirements and Qualifications:**

Psychiatrist licensed in Missouri  
Experiencing working with both adult and child populations preferred

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Collaborate with Missouri Licensed APRN, who will be primarily providing psychiatric tele-health to St. Louis City and County youth and adults while the APRN will be physically located in Illinois.
- Available to be on-site, as assigned, at Provident for first 30 days of Collaborative Practice Agreement
- Willing to perform duties consistent with MO law on APRN's psychiatric collaboration requirements.
- Willing to enter controlled substance orders into EHR, if in agreement with APRN patient recommended medications.
- Willing to review biweekly prescribed number files and provide file signature to document as such.

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed in this role. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required of personnel so classified.

### **Missouri Collaborative Practice Agreement Specifications:**

- In writing, between a physician and collaborating nurse
- Collaborative practice agreement must be prominently posted at every office where the APRN is authorized to prescribe in collaboration with the physician, including a disclosure statement informing patients that they may be seen by an advanced practice registered nurse and have the right to see the collaborating physician;
- Collaborative practice must be consistent with each professional's skill, training, education, & competence
- Provide coverage during absence of collaborating physician
- **Geographic Proximity:**
  - Must maintain "**Geographic Proximity**" – Not clearly specified in MO nursing rules, but "geographic proximity" may need to be determined by the board of registration for the healing arts.
- **Prescriptive Authority:**
  - CPA must include a description of controlled substances the APRN is able to prescribe, as authorized by the Physician
  - Delegates **RPNs** the authority to **administer/dispense** drugs and provide treatment within the scope of practice and competence
  - Delegates **Advanced Practice RNs (APRN)** the authority to administer, dispense, or **prescribe** drugs and provide treatment, which can include controlled substances (schedules III, IV, and V) and Schedule II Hydrocodone (except these cannot be prescribed for sedation or anesthesia)
  - An APRN may prescribe buprenorphine for up to a thirty-day supply without refill for patients receiving medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorders under the direction of the collaborating physician.
  - Schedule III narcotic controlled substances and Schedule II hydrocodone prescribes shall be limited to a 124 hour supply, without refill.
- **Chart Review Requirements:**
  - APRN shall submit a minimum of **10%** of the charts to the collaborating physician for review every **14 days**
  - Charts can be submitted to the collaborating physician for review, or any other physician designated in the collaborative practice arrangement, every fourteen days;
  - The collaborating physician shall review every **14 days** a minimum of **20%** of the charts in which the advanced practice registered nurse prescribes controlled substances. (Charts reviewed for this criteria can be included in the total number of charts reviewed that is expected for 10% of all charts)
- A collaborating physician shall not enter into a collaborative practice arrangement or supervision agreement with more than **6 full-time equivalent advanced practice registered nurses**, full-time equivalent licensed physician assistants, or full-time equivalent assistant physicians, or any combination thereof.
- The collaborating physician is to determine and document the completion of at least a **one-month period** of time during which the APRN shall practice with the collaborating physician continuously present before practicing in a setting where the collaborating physician is not continuously present.
- The state board of registration for the healing and the board of nursing may jointly promulgate rules regulating the use of collaborative practice arrangements. Such rules shall be limited to:
  - Specifying geographic areas to be covered,
  - The methods of treatment that may be covered by collaborative practice arrangements
  - The requirements for review of services provided pursuant to collaborative practice arrangements including delegating authority to prescribe controlled substances.
  - Any rules relating to dispensing or distribution of medications or devices by prescription or prescription drug orders under this section shall be subject to the approval of the **state board of pharmacy**.
  - Any rules relating to dispensing or distribution of controlled substances by prescription or prescription drug orders under this section shall be subject to the approval of the **department of health and senior services** and the **state board of pharmacy**