

REGISTERED DIETITIAN

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Performs professional duties in the area of nutrition and dietary practices, including responsibility for planning, organizing and performing related work; serve as liaison for various health programs among health and social service agencies; develops related program activities; performs client evaluations and assessments, individual and group teachings. Works under the general direction of the Program Supervisor or his/her designee; and performs related duties as assigned.

STATEMENT OF TASKS:

Serves as a liaison for nutritional health services among community agencies;
Determines need for and authorizes Class I-A, II- B, and type III formulas;
Ensures nutritional high-risk clients are identified, referred and receive the appropriate nutritional care;
Evaluates the nutritional status of clients, considering dietary practices and deficiencies;
Completes comprehensive nutritional assessment/monitoring, and makes appropriate referrals;
Assesses social, psychological and economic factors in the life style of clients that may impact their nutritional status;
Teaches nutrition at the appropriate level of comprehension, and continuously evaluates the level of success;
Develops high-risk care plans and provides high-risk client education and counseling;
Communicates nutrition needs of client to interdisciplinary team and plans appropriate care;
Organizes and instructs volunteers or other community professionals;
Develops and facilitate implementation of special programs;
Prepares reports and maintains records as required;
Performs and documents anthropometric measurements;
Performs and documents hematological measurements;
Determines income eligibility.

The statement of tasks above is intended to be sufficient to identify the class and be illustrative of the many duties that may be assigned. It should not be interpreted to describe all of the duties an employee assigned to this class may be required to perform.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Comprehensive knowledge of the basic principles, practices and techniques of normal maternal and child nutrition and breastfeeding;
Comprehensive knowledge of public health methods and practices;
Knowledge of the dietary control of diseases;
Knowledge of the basic education fundamentals required in developing and teaching in-service education programs;
Knowledge of the function of health and social agencies and their relationships to the public health program;
Ability to deliver advice and consultation on nutrition to diverse groups;
Ability to work effectively with officials of other agencies, employees, and the general public;

Ability to be highly effective in both verbal and written communications;
Ability to plan, facilitate and implement nutrition programs;
Ability to provide direction and coordinate the activities of others;
Ability to work effectively with officials of other agencies, employees and the general public;
Ability to communicate effectively with individuals from diverse socio-economic backgrounds;
Ability to operate various office and medical equipment;
Experience with computer data entry;
Ability to attend work regularly and work under stressful conditions.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Bachelor's Degree and Registered Dietitian with no experience necessary.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Must have a current credential as a Registered Dietitian in good standing.
Must have a valid driver's license and an insured vehicle to drive on County Business.

Established: March 3, 2009



Human Resources Director