

Nutritionist I

The Lenoir County Health Department is seeking to hire a Nutritionist to work with the Women, Infants and Children's (WIC) Program. If you like to work with Infants, children and women, this is a great opportunity for you. This federally funded program is in need of a self-motivated Nutritionist to provide services for a diverse population.

The program is designed to provide supplemental nutritious foods and nutrition education as an adjunct to good health care during critical times of growth and development in order to prevent the occurrence of health problems and improve the health status of these persons. The WIC nutritionist is responsible for providing nutrition counseling and identifying medical/nutritional risk criteria for those customers applying for the WIC program.

Schedule for position will be as follows:

Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Qualifications

The ideal candidate will possess the following knowledge, skills, and abilities:

Considerable knowledge of principles of normal and therapeutic nutrition and health promotion.

Considerable knowledge and skill in nutrition and dietary assessment techniques (anthropometric, biochemical, clinical and dietary), and in interpretation of data.

Knowledge of human behavior and techniques for effecting behavior change.

Ability to write clear and concise entries using the protocol for progress notes in patient's medical records.

Ability to interview and provide counseling.

Ability to communicate with patients tactfully, courteously and effectively.

Ability to express ideas and communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

Ability to maintain effective working relationships with other employees.

Minimum Education and Experience:

Graduation from a Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education-approved Didactic Program in Dietetics; or Dietetic Technician, Registered with the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education with a Bachelor's degree in any subject area from an accredited four-year college or university; or a Bachelor's of Science degree in Dietetics, Public Health Nutrition or Community Nutrition from an accredited four-year college or university. As well as be trained in and will be competent in the CPA role in the Crossroads data system.

A higher education level may be considered as a substitution for all or part of the experience requirement.

Valid NC Driver's License required.

Bilingual candidates (English/Spanish) preferred.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

Essential duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to:

Provides nutrition counseling and education to patients in the WIC Program.

Completes nutrition assessments by analyzing data obtained from patient interviews and review of medical history, laboratory and clinical data.

Develops a care plan based on information collected and knowledge of clinical application of nutrition.

Provides diet instructions to patients both verbally and with the use of educational aids such as pamphlets and posters.

Charts in medical record subjective and objective data, assessment and plans of actions.

Determines medical eligibility of patients for the WIC program using established guidelines.

Provides nutrition consultation and education sessions to other health care professionals.

Coordinates County and Worksite health promotion activities.

Reviews and updates clinical and administrative policies and procedures for maternal nutrition services.

Performs related work as required

Application Process: Applications must be submitted online at www.co.lenoir.nc.us by 11:59 p.m. on the closing date to be considered for the position. In order to be considered, final transcripts showing date degree was awarded and/or any required certificates or licenses must be uploaded with your application even if you are a current employee or we have received it with a previous application.

Closing Date: Opened until filled

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