

BERRIEN COUNTY

JOB DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Public Health Nutritionist II

CODE:

DEPARTMENT: Health

GENERAL SUMMARY:

Under general supervision, provides nutrition and dietary consultation to Health Department programs, clients and the general public.

TYPICAL DUTIES:

1. Plans, develops and implements nutritional education and care plans for program participants in conjunction with the Women, Infants and Children's (WIC) program and the general health education programs of the Department.
2. Works with high-risk clients to develop individualized care plans and acts as a liaison with medical providers to approve requests for specialized infant nutritional needs.
3. Develops other nutrition protocols and nutrition education lessons to be used with high-risk clients.
4. Plans and conducts classes on nutrition and diets to groups with special nutritional needs such as heart and diabetic patients, and other participants in Health Department programs.
5. Serves as an advisor on nutrition to special health projects such as Family Planning and Maternal and Child Health programs.
6. Provides consultation and in-service training on nutrition to departmental employees and employees of related health organizations.
7. May conduct surveys, home visits, etc. to determine nutritional needs.
8. May conduct assessments for medical/nutritional eligibility for Departmental programs.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Education: Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition or Dietetics and certification as a Registered Dietitian.

Experience: Minimum of nine months experience working in field of nutrition or dietetics.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Possession of a valid vehicle operator's license and a vehicle is required.

In times of a public health emergency, may be required to report for specialized assigned duties inside or outside of Berrien County.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Thorough knowledge of the principles of human nutrition.
2. Considerable knowledge of dietary control of diseases.
3. Knowledge of the principles of health education and public health administration.
4. Ability to plan, organize and develop a public nutrition consultation and education program,
5. Ability to apply education and public information techniques to the science of nutrition.
6. Ability to work with community organizations in the development of nutrition programs.
7. Considerable skill in speaking and writing concerning nutrition.

This description is intended to describe the type and level of work being performed by a person assigned to this job. It is not an exhaustive list of all duties and responsibilities required by a person so classified.

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