



JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Nutritionist
EXEMPTION STATUS: Exempt Non-Exempt
REVISED DATE: January 2023

SUMMARY: Under minimal supervision, the Nutritionist is responsible for providing nutritional counseling and education to patients.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

1. Consult upon request of physicians concerning nutritional assessment of patients (both outpatients and inpatients).
2. Provide guidance to patients concerning nutritional needs to support normal growth and development in pregnancy, to include follow-up.
3. Provide instructions and follow-up concerning any diet modifications needed by patients, adjusting these guides to the patient's lifestyle, food preference, etc.
4. Act as a resource to physicians and medical students concerning nutrition and diet therapy.
5. Provide all phases of diabetes education needed by patients.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of this job.

EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE: Bachelor's degree in Nutrition. Experience as a Patient Educator working with patient education is preferred.

LANGUAGE SKILLS: Ability to read, analyze, interpret, and comprehend instructions (whether written or verbal), correspondence, professional journals, technical procedures, and government regulations. Ability to express ideas clearly, concisely and convincingly.

MATHEMATICAL SKILLS: Ability to work with mathematical concepts such as probability and statistical inference. Ability to calculate and apply concepts such as fractions, percentages, ratios, and proportions to practical situations.

REASONING ABILITY: Ability to define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions. Ability to interpret and solve practical problems with an extensive variety of information that deals with several abstract and concrete variables. Ability to exercise good judgment in evaluating situations and making decisions.

OTHER SKILLS AND ABILITIES: Knowledge of the practices and principles of Nutrition. Ability to establish and maintain an effective working relationship with faculty members, students, residents, staff, patients, and other third parties. Ability to operate computer, keyboard, and printer. Ability to concentrate under high demands and listen effectively.

WORK ENVIRONMENT: The work environment characteristics are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate. Exposure to communicable disease, blood, body fluids, hazardous chemicals, and sharp instruments.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand, walk, sit; use hand to finger, handle or feel objects; reach with hands and arms; and talk or hear at normal ranges within the setting. The employee is occasionally required to climb or balance.

May work in high stress direct patient care areas. Demands high levels of concentration and the ability to work in emotionally charged situations.

DISCLAIMER: The above statements and performance expectations are intended to describe the general nature and level of work by individuals assigned to this classification. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, skills, and abilities required by personnel so classified.

I have received information regarding ETSU Physicians & Associates Policies and Procedures and understand how to access them on-line.

I understand and agree that in the performance of my duties as an employee of ETSU Physicians & Associates, I must hold information of a confidential nature in the strictest of confidence. I must not use or disclose any Protected Health Information other than as permitted by HIPAA requirements. I understand that any violation of the HIPAA policies may result in disciplinary action, which may include termination.

Management has the right to revise this job description at any time. The job description is not a contract for employment, and either you or ETSU Physicians & Associates may terminate employment at any time, for any reason.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have reviewed this job description and will comply to the best of my ability.

Employee Signature

Date

Supervisor's Signature

Date

Human Resources Director

Date