

Nutritionist 2

Hawkins County Health Department

Hawkins County, TN

Who we are and how we impact Tennessee:

TDH incorporates our values into the work we do each day to achieve our mission, live our vision and address our two strategic priorities.

Mission:

Protect, promote, and improve the health and well-being of all people in Tennessee.

Vision:

- Healthy People
- Healthy Communities
- Healthy Tennessee

Our Values:

- Trust
- Compassion
- Service
- Excellence

Strategic Priorities:

Prevention:

- Prevention
- Access
- Efficiency
- Engagement
- Equity
- Workforce
- Excellence
- Innovation

An employee in this class is responsible for providing nutrition counseling services and medical nutrition therapy within a region of the state. An employee in this class must possess active status as a Registered Dietitian (RD) with the Commission on Dietetic Registration.

Key responsibilities:

- Determines patients' eligibility for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) to comply with program guidelines.
- Determines patient eligibility for therapeutic products to comply with program guidelines, as required. Assesses nutrition related information using approved program processes to ensure compliance with standards.
- Evaluates progress on nutrition goals utilizing patient input to determine patient stage of change.
- Assigns appropriate supplemental food packages to comply with program guidelines. Certifies patients who meet criteria and documents in medical records to provide appropriate services and develops and documents appropriate nutrition plan of care to comply with program guidelines and practice standards.
- Conveys information on breastfeeding techniques, diabetes care, and other nutrition issues by using multiple media to promote healthy lifestyle behaviors.
- Serves as the nutrition expert on multi-agency committees by providing technical nutrition information advice, as needed.
- Develops and provides a variety of teaching strategies and tools, including posters or lesson plans to promote healthy lifestyle behaviors, as needed.
- Documents information associated with the patients' nutrition care plan, Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT), nutrition counseling, and education into patients' medical records according to the policies and guidelines.

Minimum qualifications: (Education and Experience)

Possession of proof of registration in active status as a Registered Dietitian (RD) with the Commission on Dietetic Registration and experience equivalent to one year of full-time professional nutrition work or graduation from an accredited college or university with a master's degree in human nutrition, dietetics, or any public or community health field dealing with applied human nutrition; and possession of proof of registration in active status as a Registered Dietitian (RD) with the Commission on Dietetic Registration.

Salary:

Salary is based on education and experience, with a monthly salary of \$3,595.

To apply:

Send resume to Public Health County Director at Hawkins.Health@tn.gov

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