

Department: Public Health/WIC
Classification: Competitive
Grade: 6

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MATERNAL HEALTH WORKER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves the responsibility for providing basic breastfeeding information and support based on personal experience and evidence based practice to pregnant and breastfeeding participants. The duties are performed under the general direction of the WIC Coordinator and Director of Public Health. The incumbent does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Provides breastfeeding information and support to mothers and significant others through personal interaction in clinics, over the phone at various sites and home visits as needed;
Documents data and referrals in the management information system;
Refers participants to other community breastfeeding resources as needed;
Assists breastfeeding coordinator with inventory management;
May answer phones, schedule appointments and perform other clerical duties;
Conducts program orientation, explains benefits;
Assists with community outreach and mobilization strategies;
Assists with grant related activities;
May perform other program related relevant tasks.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of programs and services available through the Public Health WIC Program; good knowledge of breastfeeding techniques; ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing, ability to deal effectively with people and maintain successful relationships with program participants; ability to understand oral and written instructions; ability to operate a personal computer; confidentiality; courtesy and tact

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Graduation from high school or possession of a equivalency diploma and one (1) year experience in a position which required interaction with the public.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION

1. Must possess and maintain a valid NYS Driver's License;
2. Must have successfully breastfed for at least 6 months.

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Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, continued;

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of nursing principles and techniques and their relation to medical practice; thorough knowledge of the theory and practice of preventive and public health care inclusive of those skills required to develop and implement a plan of primary health care to meet patient needs; thorough knowledge of normal and abnormal signs and symptoms related to physical and emotional health; thorough knowledge of nurse practitioner skills; skill in clinical nursing practices and techniques; ability to perform duties within the American Nursing Association code for Professional Nurses; ability to plan, organize, coordinate, administer and evaluate the effectiveness of program plans and provision of services related to mental health nursing; ability to understand and carry out technical oral and written instructions; ability to perform physical and mental status examinations and to assess the physical and mental conditions of patients; ability to recognize signs and symptoms associated with changes in the physical and emotional health of patients and ability to respond appropriately; ability to explain or interpret instructions of a technical and professional nature to patients, families, nursing staff or other personnel; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Possession of a current license and registration as Registered Professional Nurse in New York State and possession of a current New York State Certification as a Nurse Practitioner with a specialization in Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Program.

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