

Nutrition Nurse

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Job Summary

Vacancy :

Deadline : Sep 28, 2024

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Employment Status : Full Time

Experience : Any

Salary : As per organization salary scale

Gender : Any

Career Level : Any

Qualification :

Job Description

About MEDAIR:

Medair is an international humanitarian organization established in 1988. Medair has been operating in Afghanistan since 1996 with programs mainly in the Health, Water & Sanitation, and Livelihoods sectors with significant reconstruction activities in remote areas. Current projects are Water & Sanitation, Food Security, & Disaster Risk Reduction.

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Job Description:

Responsibilities

- To work as part of a mobile health and nutrition team covering multiple sites
- To accurately and appropriately treat or refer beneficiaries in the nutrition program by adhering to national and international guidelines and organisational procedures.
- To provide nutrition, health, hygiene education and IYCF counselling to pregnant and lactating women and care takers of children
- To ensure accurate record keeping of all activities, following the provided data collection templates
- To ensure safe storage and handling of the stock (food products, medicines, equipment)
- To ensure appropriate History taking and physical examination of children under 5 years and pregnant and lactation women.
- To ensure safe storage and handling of the stock
- Any other activities not listed in the JD but requested by Line manager and Nutrition supervisor

Technical

- Assist the Health Assistant with the screening of children under 5 and PLWs whenever there is a high need.
- Admit beneficiaries to OPD SAM or MAM according to admission criteria and national guidelines
- Conduct appetite test and support care takers in feeding the children
- Conduct physical examination and history taking of admitted children and pregnant and lactating women and provide appropriate nutritional and medical treatment following National IMAM guidelines
- Examine admitted children for any signs of co-existing illnesses and provide appropriate nutritional and medical treatment or referral according to IMNCI guidelines
- Identify caretakers of children under 5 year and pregnant and lactating women who need psychosocial support, using validated screening scales and to refer it to MHPSS team
- Identify pregnant and lactating women and care takers that require Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) and other nutrition or health counselling and provide this support to them
- Give appropriate nutrition, health and hygiene education to the beneficiaries and care takers in individual and group sessions
- With the approval of the Health & Nutrition Supervisor refer children with severe or moderate acute malnutrition and medical complications to the nearest IPD SAM or paediatric inpatient facility
- Discharge children and pregnant and lactating women according to specified discharge criteria and national protocol and guidelines.
- In collaboration with the Nutrition Supervisor provide support to the community-based Nutrition Extension Workers (NEW) and liaise before and after each site visit to identify beneficiaries that need follow up (absentees, defaulters, non-responders)

Quality Management

- Ensure adherence to the provided internal and external protocols and guidelines
- Ensure accurate record keeping of all nutrition activities, filling in forms, cards, registration books and tally sheets as required
- Compile reports as required and requested by Nutrition supervisor
- Conduct on the Job training to Health assistant and NEWs based on need.

Logistics

- Ensure safe storage of all supplies, medicines and medical material and equipment
- Ensure accurate record keeping of stock movements
- Assist the Health and Nutrition Supervisors in preparing stock requests

Job Requirements:

Education

Diploma/Certificate of nursing or midwifery, or equivalent medical training

Work Experience

- At least 2-3 year relevant post graduate experience
- Nutrition training/experience (ie. IMAM & IYCF trainings or equivalent)
- IYCF counselling experience

Languages

Good English -oral and written skills

Excellent Pashto -oral and written skills

Computer

Working knowledge in MS word and excel

Other

- Ability to work in a team and coordinate tasks and responsibilities
- Ability to organize people in an orderly way and prioritize tasks
- Good listening and counselling skills, patient, and kind attitude
- Highly motivated to provide high quality services to beneficiaries of poor communities in a challenging setting
- Good problem-solving skills with a solution-oriented attitude
- Flexible and willing to perform other tasks as required
- Respectful and kind with other staff, beneficiaries, and communities
- Willingness to travel, work and live in a rural setting, and to behave in a manner appropriate to a conservative culture
- Willingness to learn and develop further
- Honest in dealing with beneficiaries and Medair staff

Submission Guideline:

Interested applicants should apply and forward their applications through the online **JOB APPLICATION FORM** which can be found under the submission email. The link should be copied, pasted, and opened on a new page.

Note: Please indicate the position title and vacancy number in your application letter. Applications received after the closing date or without the exact position title and vacancy number will not be given consideration. After submitting the online application, if some applicants do not immediately receive an automatic email from Medair, they shouldn't worry about their submission. When you open the link, please use the dropdown menu and choose the title of the position.

Medair will provide the following benefits for the selected candidate:

- Salary and additional monthly benefits in line with the National Staff salary scale and regulations.
- Working hours and leaves as per Medair regulations. Leave includes annual leave, sick leave, family leave, hajj leave, and maternity leave if applicable.

Submission Email:

<https://form.123formbuilder.com/4881255/grade-1-5-nil>

Education & Experience

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Must Have

Educational Requirements

Compensation & Other Benefits