Public Health Nutritionist Overview - Brattleboro

Are you a nutritionist with an interest in chronic disease prevention? Do you want to make a difference in the lives of pregnant and postpartum women, infants and young children? We seek a bright, energetic, committed nutritionist to join the Vermont Department of Health, Brattleboro District Office. You will divide your time between direct service work in the WIC Program and community based prevention work as our Chronic Disease Designee. We value employees who embrace change and enjoy participating in a variety of activities to meet our public health mission.

A Bachelor's degree in nutrition or dietetics is required. Certification as a Registered Dietitian (R.D.) is preferred. The position is full time – 40 hours per week.

The Vermont Department of Health is especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the department’s diversity and commitment to foster an environment of mutual respect, acceptance and equal opportunity. Applicants are encouraged to include in their cover letter information about how they will further this goal.

Duties include:

- Provide nutritional counseling and breastfeeding support to individuals enrolled in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC).
- Conduct WIC clinics and work with nutritionally high-risk clients who will require the development of follow up plans.
- Develop and maintain relationships with community partners, coalitions etc. for sustainable chronic disease prevention and self-management initiatives at all levels of the Vermont Prevention Model.
- Facilitate and support community health assessments to address chronic disease prevention and management, including identification of gaps for self-management support and tobacco cessation, physical activity, and nutrition programs
- Examine opportunities for and advocate for potential policy, systems and environmental change initiatives to support healthy communities.

We offer a Monday through Friday, 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM work schedule and excellent benefits. Starting salary may be negotiable based on experience and education. Duties are performed under the general supervision of the District Director, with nutrition consulting assistance available from a higher level nutritionist professional. Brattleboro is a beautiful, culturally rich community with access to urban areas.

For more information, contact Prudence MacKinney, District Director at (802)251-2101, prudence.mackinney@vermont.gov.

Interested candidates must apply online at http://humanresources.vermont.gov/careers