

STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

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> Daphne Kendrick Facility Director

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

JOB TITLE:	Mental Health Dietitian	<b>OPEN DATE</b> : 10/25/2024 <b>CLOSE DATE:</b> Until Filled
JOB LOCATION:	Taylor Hardin Secure Medical Facility 1301 Jack Warner Parkway NE Tuscaloosa, Alabama	<b>NUMBER:</b> 24-30 <b>JOB CODE:</b> F1000

### SALARY

- Range 73 (\$43,351.20 \$72,504.00 Annually).
- Salary will be commensurate with experience. Limitations apply to current State employees.

### BENEFITS

- 12 paid holidays.
- 1 personal leave day accrued each January.
- 13 sick leave days.
- 13 annual leave days accrued in the first year of employment.
- Longevity bonus annually after 5 years of employment.
- Continuous opportunities for acquiring CEU's needed for maintaining professional license.
- Very low-cost health and dental insurance through the <u>Alabama State Employee Insurance Board</u>.
- Defined retirement benefit (not impacted by economic downturns) and a pre-retirement death benefit through the <u>Retirement Systems of Alabama.</u>
  - After 1 year, the minimum amount of the pre-retirement death benefit paid to your designated beneficiary is at least equal to your current or previous fiscal year annual salary.

# MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

• Graduation from a four-year college or university with a Bachelor's degree in nutrition, dietetics, or a closely related field.

# SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

• Eligible for registration or registered by the Commission on Registration of the American Dietetic Association. If registered or eligible by or before December 31, 2023, a Bachelor's degree is required. If registered or eligible on or after January 1, 2024, a Master's degree is required.



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### **KIND OF WORK**

- Completes assessments of individuals to determine the level of nutritional risk, based on medical history, dietary history, and physical assessment.
- Monitors and updates nutritional plans based on individual's eating habits and prescription from a physician.
- Participates in the facility Nutritional Services department performance improvement program.
- Calculates non-standard diets according to physician orders to determine specific levels of nutrients and/or restrictions on nutrients in order to treat physical problems, to account for food-drug interaction and to meet the nutritional needs of the patients.
- Attends Treatment Care Planning Conference at the request of a team member to discuss nutritional problems of specific patients and/or families acquired knowledge in nutrition, diet modification, food purchasing and preparation before leaving the hospital.
- Communicates with individuals, facility staff, leadership, etc., so that appropriate information is disseminated as needed.
- Conducts in-service training for contract Dietetic Services employees as needed.
- Ensures compliance with department and facility standards.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

### **REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES**

- Knowledge of menu planning and methods of food preparation.
- Knowledge of personal and food sanitation principles.
- Ability to communicate effectively verbally, in writing, and electronically.
- Ability to provide training and technical assistance.
- Ability to establish and maintain working relationships with individuals and facility staff.
- Ability to use a personal computer, MS Office Software, and the internet.

# **METHOD OF SELECTION**

- Applicants will be rated based on an evaluation of their job-related training, abilities, experience, and education, and should provide adequate work history identifying experiences related to the duties and minimum qualifications as mentioned above.
- All relevant information is subject to verification.
- Drug screening and security clearances will be conducted on prospective applicants being given serious consideration for employment whose job requires direct contact with patients.

#### Click Here to Apply Now: https://laserfiche.alabama.gov/Forms/ADMH-Job-Application

**Only work experience detailed on the application will be considered.** Applications should be submitted by the deadline to be considered. Announcements open <u>until filled</u> will remain open until a sufficient applicant pool is obtained. Applications should be submitted as soon as possible to ensure the application will be considered for the position. Copies of License/Certifications should be uploaded with your application. A copy of the academic transcript is required. Appointment of successful candidate will be conditional based on receipt of the official transcript provided by the school, college, or university.

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