

Job Posting

**Community Dietitian, RD – Diabetes Education Program
full-time, 18 month contract, January 2020 to July 2021
Lawrence Heights & Bathurst-Finch Sites**

Unison Health and Community Services is a non-profit, community-based organization that serves neighbourhoods in North West Toronto. Operating out of six locations, Unison offers core services that include primary health care, counselling, health promotion, Early Years programs, legal services, harm reduction programs, housing assistance, adult protective services, Pathways to Education and a Diabetes Education Program. Unison's mission is working together to deliver accessible and high quality health and community services that are integrated, respond to needs, build on strengths and inspire change.

We are currently seeking a Community Dietitian to provide diabetes education and diabetes management to clients living with pre-diabetes and type 2 diabetes in both, individual and group settings. The ideal candidate for this position is a Registered Dietitian with strong skills in nutrition education, individual counseling, and facilitation skills. Reporting to the Diabetes Education Program Manager, the Community Dietitian plans and implements the Diabetes Education Program to deliver quality client care that meets both the funder's and Unison's organizational objectives.

Responsibilities:

- Provide individual counselling to improve clients' nutritional status through assessment, dietary planning and evaluation, monitoring of nutritional status and making referrals
- Provide ongoing diabetes management support to clients' individually or in a group setting
- Provide information and leadership in case discussions
- Participate in and contribute to one of the DEP workgroups; Quality Improvement, Insulin etc.
- Participate in outreach activities, such as mobile clinics and lunch n' learn/meet n' greet sessions
- Conduct effective outreach activities in the community served to increase referrals to DEP
- Act as a resource for nutrition information to other team members
- Act as an expert advisor to outside professional organizations.

Qualifications:

- Hold membership with the College of Dietitians of Ontario
- Excellent nutrition assessment, counseling skills and group facilitation skills; utilizing evidence-based research in practice
- Effective group development, planning, implementation and evaluation skills
- Obtain and maintain C.D.E. Certification for R.D.s
- Effective oral and written communication to low literacy population
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively independently and as a member of a multi-disciplinary team
- Sensitivity to and knowledge of the needs of a multicultural, multiracial community
- Experience serving Unison's priority populations (seniors with complex needs, people with mental health & addiction issues, LGBTTQ2+, and youth facing barriers)

- Effective communication, interpersonal, organizational and administrative skills, including computer literacy skills specific to job requirements
- Experience with Electronic Health Records (experience in NOD is an asset)
- Knowledge of issues affecting communities facing barriers to access in an urban environment
- Ability to work flexible hours, including some evenings
- The ability to speak a second language is an asset
- Ability to travel across sites and willingness to work in a number of different locations.

Interested candidates are asked to email a résumé with covering letter by 4:00 p.m., October 30, 2019 to:

Hiring Committee - Community Dietitian
Unison Health and Community Services
Toronto, ON
hirings@unisonhcs.org

Please cite UN_2019_039 in the subject line of the email

We welcome applications from people who are reflective of the diverse communities we serve, including those who might need accommodation.

Where needed, accommodations for applicants with disabilities will be provided, on request, to support their participation in all aspects of the recruitment process.

While we thank all applicants for their interest, only those selected for interview will be contacted.