

Dietetic Technician

CLASS TITLE	CLASS CODE	SALARY GROUP	SALARY RANGE
DIETETIC TECHNICIAN I	4001	A10	\$30,910 - \$42,571
DIETETIC TECHNICIAN II	4002	A12	\$33,840 - \$49,798

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Performs dietetic work by providing technical assistance with dietetic and nutritional care, supporting nutrition programs, implementing and monitoring care plans, and assisting with educational nutrition programs.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Documents and assesses dietary histories to plan nutritional programs and log dietary restrictions.

Monitors the serving of modified diets to clients and notes information that will improve the nutritional care of clients.

Conducts food acceptance studies.

Maintains records and files on dietetic and/or nutritional care.

Performs related work as assigned.

DESCRIPTION OF LEVELS

Examples of work and descriptions are meant to progress through the levels. For example, an employee at a level II may also perform work identified for level I.

DIETETIC TECHNICIAN I: Performs entry-level dietetic work. Works under close supervision, with minimal latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

DIETETIC TECHNICIAN II: Performs routine (journey-level) dietetic work. Works under moderate supervision, with limited latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment. May provide guidance to others. Employees at this level may:

- Screen clients to identify nutritional risks, collect data for use in the assessment of dietary status, and document dietary restrictions.
- Develop dietary and nutrition care plans based on established guidelines.
- Develop methods for translating diet prescriptions to food preparation areas.
- Monitor dietary and nutrition care services and food service activities.

- Monitor the effects of nutrition intervention and assess client food acceptance.
- Provide dietetic training and nutritional counseling.

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Experience in dietetic work. Graduation from a standard senior high school or equivalent, supplemented by coursework in dietary needs or nutrition, is generally preferred. Experience and education may be substituted for one another.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

For all levels

- Knowledge of nutrition, food service operations, and diet therapy techniques and procedures.
- Skill in listening, and in documenting and monitoring dietary and nutritional needs.
- Ability to assess nutritional status, to follow policies and procedures, and to communicate effectively.

Additional for Dietetic Technician II

 Ability to develop dietary and nutrition care plans, to monitor the effects of nutrition intervention, to interpret medical record information, and to provide guidance to others.