

Job Description

Job Title	Catering Staff/Kitchen Assistant
Department	Catering
Reports to	Catering Supervisor/Catering Manager/Director of Facilities
Date	2014

Overall Aim of Job

To provide exceptional patient care in an environment where quality, respect, caring and compassion are at the centre of all we do.

Prepares and delivers food service with optimal nutritional care and meal service to hospital patients by performing the following duties.

Key Responsibilities and Deliverables

- Reads production sheets and menu cards to accurately determine items to place on tray.
- Sets up, assembles and serves food for patients and special function in a timely manner.
- Places items such as eating utensils, napkins and condiments on trays.
- Serves hot and cold food items and nourishment's such as entrees, sandwiches, desserts, salads, soups and beverages.
- Apportions and places food servings on plates and trays according to diet list on menu card.
- Ensures correct diet is served to specific patients.
- Washes dishes and cleans work area, tables, cabinets, and floors using appropriate solutions and techniques.
- Stocks storeroom and freezer, rotating supplies for first and last out.
- Participates in quality control and quality improvement data gathering.
- Follow HACCP guidelines and ensure that all the necessary information is being recorded accurately and efficiently.
- Pushes carts to units. Delivers late trays as needed. Returns carts to kitchen after meal service.



- Observes infection control and HACCP policies in food handling storage, wearing gloves and proper protective equipment.
- Collects and places rubbish in designated containers. Breaks down cardboard boxes.
- Records amount and types of special food items served to patients.
- Knows and follows fire and disaster plan, report of injuries, lifting techniques, Universal precautions, MSDS policies and procedures.
- Follow the diet sheets as set out by the Clinical Nutritionist and ensure that patients get the correct menu.
- Follow all dietary changes as outlined by the Nursing Staff.

Person Specification

Qualifications	Preferable Leaving Certificate or equivalent.Preferable Computer literate.
Experience	 Preferable 6 months relevant work experience. Preferable knowledge of Food Hygiene
Job Specific Competencies and Knowledge	 Observes all infection control policies for proper food handling, storage, hand washing, glove wearing, uniform and grooming. Works as team player to meet goals and department demands. Exhibits high level of customer & patient relation skills. Exhibits ability to work as member of team in daily performance of duties. Interaction with all hospital departments. Knowledge of all standard procedures for food preparation, goods in, storage and hygiene.
Personal Competencies	 Ability to work well as part of a team. A good level of English is required. All posts in Beacon Hospital require a high level of flexibility to ensure the delivery of an effective and efficient service. Therefore, the post holder will be required to demonstrate flexibility as and when required by their manager or hospital management.

This job description is intended to be an outline of the areas of responsibility and deliverables at the time of its writing. As the Hospital and the post holder develop, this job description may be subject to review in light of the changing needs of the Hospital.

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