



DESCRIPTION

Position Title	Community Dietitian
Role Purpose	<p>The purpose of this service is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assist in reducing the incidence of lifestyle related chronic conditions• Assist in improving health status and/or independence for people with lifestyle related chronic conditions and to help prevent deterioration of or disability from these chronic conditions• To work with other health providers as part of a multi-disciplinary team in the delivery of nutritional services• To assist with resourcing, updating and training other health professionals and community health workers to improve the overall quality of nutritional information and support in the community• To assist in increasing capacity within the primary health care sector by up-skilling health professionals and community health workers on nutrition and chronic conditions prevention and management• Promote self-management, optimal independence and autonomy in nutrition and chronic conditions prevention and management• Improve the health and functional status of Maori by delivering services to best meet Maori health needs• Improve the health and functional status of other high needs groups by delivering services to best meet their health needs <p>All services will be evidenced based</p>
Role Location	Marlborough
Reports To	Community Health & Operations Manager
Role Specifics	Part-time 0.5FTE
Interactions	All employees of MPH, MPH Board of Trustees, General Practice Teams, Maori Health Providers, Nelson Marlborough District Health Board, Nelson Bays Primary Health and Community Agencies.
Settings	<p>Clients may receive the Service on an individual basis or in a group setting, as agreed.</p> <p>Group based support will be the preferred method of delivery.</p> <p>The Service will assist in the development of sustainable community-based programmes and will work with a wide range of stakeholders to achieve this.</p>
Commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi	Marlborough Primary Health is committed to the principles of te Tiriti o Waitangi, (a) Tino Rangatiratanga / Self-Determination; and (b) Pātuitanga / Partnership; and (c) Mana Taurite / Equity; and (d) Whakamarumarutia / Active Protection; and (e) Kōwhiringa / Options, that contribute to reducing the disparity between Māori and non-Māori.
Te Pae Ora	Marlborough Primary Health is committed to the principles of Te Pae Ora, to (a) protect, promote, and improve the health of all New Zealanders; and (b) achieve equity in health outcomes among New Zealand's population groups, including striving to eliminate health disparities, in particular for Māori; and (c) build towards pae ora (healthy futures) for all New Zealanders.

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Principle Requirements:

Clinical / Professional Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide a high quality, evidenced based, responsive, culturally appropriate and accessible Dietetic services for the Marlborough community and MPH enrolled/eligible populations. This involves individual clinics and group sessions covering areas listed in the referral criteria (appendix 1) with a focus on prevention of chronic conditions Undertake comprehensive and accurate nutrition and lifestyle assessments Nutrition care is client led and focuses on meeting client goals Provide education and follow-up support that is appropriate to the needs of the client and their whanau/family The service is by referral only Special authority applications are completed in a timely manner and meet criteria as per PHARMAC Provide consultancy advice and support services to primary care providers to assist them with nutrition management of patients/clients Provide and/or develop appropriate resources and guidelines to support nutrition education, including presentations Involvement in service planning and development Ensure all appropriate contractual obligations are met including reporting obligations in a responsive manner Comply with all service administrative requirements e.g. accurate client electronic records, referrals, appointments and feedback Communicate effectively with referrers and other members of the healthcare team Work within professional boundaries and refer onto other services as required (with client's permission) Maintain confidentiality of information Any other duties as required
Team Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work effectively within an interdisciplinary team environment Provide nutrition education support to self-management groups facilitated from Marlborough Primary Health Provide nutrition support to Active families and Green Prescription Network with other dietitians and health professionals Network and nurture relationships with all practices within Marlborough
Nutrition education for health workforce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure all training is evidenced based, current and relevant to the topic Establish contact with other health professionals and practice nurses to update their nutritional knowledge base in a planned and organised programme Work alongside experienced clinicians and to contribute dietetic support for people living with disordered eating Support Train the Trainer opportunities as relevant
Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure all communication has a health literacy lens applied Maintain effective interpersonal relationships including Maori Health Providers, Maori communities, Pacific Health providers and migrant communities
Professional development and continuing competency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in supervision, both professional and prescribing supervision, as per the requirements of Dietitian Prescriber endorsement Maintain professional competencies including eligibility for annual practicing certification

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional standards are maintained, including participation in the NZ Dietitians Board “Continuing Competency programme”, including endorsement as Dietitian prescriber
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performs any other duties that may be necessary from time to time as advised by the CEO or Management. Leads and implements the Treaty of Waitangi principles by participating in opportunities and initiatives that will contribute to reducing the disparity in health status between Maori and non-Maori. Acts as a role model for Health and Safety, always leads safe work practices and reports any accidents or near misses in a timely and accurate fashion.

Person Specifics:

Relevant Behaviours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teamwork, leadership, initiative/innovation, communication, robustness/resilience, interpersonal, pragmatic, attention to detail, privacy and confidentiality skills.
Qualifications, Skills and Experience	<p>Essential Qualifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A New Zealand Registered Dietitian Current Annual Practicing Certificate <p>Desirable</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current member of Dietitians New Zealand Endorsed Dietitian Prescriber <p>Knowledge & Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current knowledge of dietetic practice Demonstrate effective planning and prioritisation skills The ability to use appropriate communication when interacting with colleagues, clients and their whanau/families Understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and its implications in health Initiative and ability to be flexible Have commitment to quality and the provision of care Is self-directed and can work autonomously Ability to work well in a team, enhancing the capability and contribution of the team

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