



JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Bank Dietitian
Responsible To:	Lead Dietitian
Reports To:	Lead Dietitian
Qualifications :	BSc in Nutrition and Dietetics with State Registration
Experience:	Well-rounded experience in general dietetics with training in Paediatric Dietetics.

JOB SUMMARY

To take responsibility for the efficient provision of a Paediatric Dietetic Service to Bupa Cromwell's patients, which is clinically evidence based or in line with best-practice.

To develop and run training sessions for hospital and paediatric nursing and multidisciplinary staff.

To also provide a dietetic service to some of Bupa Cromwell's adult patients including: cardiac surgery and oncology in-patients and general medical outpatients.

MAIN TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

To liaise with nursing and medical staff in the delivery of specialist Dietetic cover to the Paediatric ward and Paediatric Intensive Care.

To lead and deliver a patient focused and clinically based Dietetic service to Bupa Cromwell's Paediatric outpatients, including participation in Gastroenterology and allergy clinics.

To develop and implement evidence based protocols in the area of Paediatric Dietetics in order to deliver first class patient care.

To carry out appropriate nutritional assessment and provide advice that is targeted to the child's medical, nutritional and emotional needs.



To ensure provision of the correct therapeutic diet by using formula/ feed appropriate for age and clinical condition

To ensure adequate patient and carer education regarding dietary regimen for home, arranging nutritional support at home if required.

To produce suitable Paediatric diet sheets and to assist in the development of Dietetic Departmental resources.

To provide dietary advice for Bupa Cromwell's adult cardiac surgery and oncology in-patients and some general medical outpatients.

To be familiar with and assist in the development of the policies and procedures of the Dietetic Department and to contribute to ensuring all dietetic service levels are maintained.

To be fully aware of all ordering and stock control procedures. To advise on the type and amount of stock required for the Paediatric service.

To work within the agreed annual Dietetic departmental budget and to ensure correct charging for nutritional consultations and nutritional feeds dispensed.

To participate in the training of Nursing, Allied Health Professional and Medical staff members by organisation and active involvement in internal training days in paediatrics and other dietetic topics as required.

To support the Dietetic department and its members in the provision of the dietetic service to all of Bupa Cromwell's in and outpatients, as required.

To carry out any other duties as requested by the Lead Dietitian.

Health & Safety

Work closely with the Health & Safety Advisor on all matters related to Health & Safety.

Be aware of, and conversant with, the Health and Safety at Work Act and comply with the regulations set down to ensure safety to patients, visitors and colleagues.

Record all accidents and untoward occurrences according to Hospital policy.

Attend fire lectures and fire drills in accordance with the law and to be fully aware of the position of fire alarms, emergency equipment and exits.

Attend all mandatory training as required.



Infection Control

Infection prevention and control is an essential aspect of patient care. All post holders have a personal obligation to act to reduce Healthcare Associated Infections (HCAIs). They must attend mandatory training in infection prevention and control and be compliant with all measures required by the Hospital to reduce HCAIs. Post holders must be familiar with the Hospital's Infection Control Policies, including those that apply to their duties, such as the Hand Hygiene Policy, the Uniform Policy and Personal Protective Clothing Policy. Post holders who have clinical responsibilities must incorporate into their clinical activities up-to-date evidence that supports safe infection control practices and procedures, for example the use of aseptic techniques and the safe disposal of sharps.

Confidentiality and Disclosure of Information

In the course of your normal work you will come into possession of confidential information concerning patients, the Bupa Cromwell Hospital and its staff. This information should be treated confidentially and in accordance with the Bupa Cromwell Hospital's policy and the Data Protection Act (1998) and European Union regulations.

Data/Security

The post holder is responsible for ensuring that he/she maintains the integrity and quality of both computerised and manual data

This job description is intended as a basic guide to the scope of the duties and responsibilities. It will be subject to regular review and amendment as necessary, and in line with the development of this post.