



# NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NOTICE OF VACANCY

State of New Jersey

**The Department of Health has a career opportunity for qualified candidates for the following position:**

Title <b>Clinical Nutritionist [Classified Competitive]</b>			Salary <b>P21 \$62,164.36 - \$88,009.21</b>
Posting Number <b>571-24</b>	Position Number <b>055060</b>	Number of Positions <b>1</b>	Posting Period * From: <b>10/01/2024</b> To: <b>11/01/2024</b>
Location: <b>Office of Long-Term Care Resiliency 55 N Willow Street, Trenton, NJ</b>			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: <b>Applicants who Meet the Requirements</b>

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Office of Long-Term Care Resiliency (OLTCR) is seeking to expand the Mission Critical Teams that provide technical support and training to identified long-term care (LTC) facilities. To expand upon this initiative, the OLTCR is seeking a Clinical Nutritionist with expertise and skills in food service management to address quality-related issues concerning glycemic control, caloric intake, weight management, nutritional guidance, standards for sanitation, safety, and security in food preparation areas.

The Clinical Nutritionist position is responsible for providing onsite visits to identified LTC facilities to address weaknesses, allocate resources, share best practices, and facilitate operational structures to promote improvements in the quality of care. Duties include: touring the identified LTC facilities to observe staff knowledge and abilities, evaluating the provision of dietary services to the patient as specified in the patient treatment plan; assessing normal and therapeutic diet menus; sharing best practices and operational tools with onsite nursing staff; assuring that staff are providing dietary counseling and nutrition guidance to patients, family members, and other staff; inspecting food preparation and serving areas, equipment, and storage facilities; observing the appearance and personal habits of to detect deviations and violations of current health regulations and recommending corrective measures as necessary; evaluating the process for unplanned weight loss/gain and care plan interventions; recommending improvement and providing educational tools and resources to onsite staff; reviewing the facilities' regulatory history, staffing, and resident demographics/acuity; reviewing the facilities' quality assurance practices and policies; making recommendations based on resident council minutes; evaluating remediation processes; and completing evaluation reports for leadership.

This position is primarily a field position and will be required to travel to long term care facilities throughout the state. If operational need permits, employees will be assigned to regional locations.

### REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)

#### CERTIFICATION:

**NOTE:** Applicants must possess a current and valid Certification as a Registered Dietitian (RD) or Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) issued by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics or be eligible for registration (must have completed academic and clinical internship requirements and be waiting to take the registration examination).

**NOTE:** Eligible applicants not registered as a dietitian by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics will have twelve (12) months from date of appointment to become registered or be removed from the position.

#### LICENSE:



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Appointee will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position

## IMPORTANT FILING INSTRUCTIONS

If interested in this position, you can reply in one of two ways:

- Forward the required documents electronically to:  
***PSTOC@doh.nj.gov***
- Mail the required documents to:  
**Kevin Jennings, Supervising Mgt. Impr. Specialist**  
**Office of Commissioner**  
**Reference Posting #571-24**  
**New Jersey Department of Health**  
**PO Box 360**  
**Trenton, NJ 08625-0360**

### Required documents:

- cover letter
- resume
- completed application, found at:  
<http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf>

*\* Responses received after the closing date MAY be considered if the position is not filled.*



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## IMPORTANT NOTES

**State as a Model Employer  
of People with Disabilities  
(SAME) Applicants:**

If you are applying under the NJ "SAME" program, your supporting documents (Schedule A or B letter), must be submitted along with your resume by the closing date indicated above. For more information on the SAME program, visit their website at: <https://nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml>, email: [SAME@csc.nj.gov](mailto:SAME@csc.nj.gov) , or call CSC at (833) 691-0404.

**PHEL Candidates:**

If you are a candidate for a position in our Public Health and Environmental Laboratories, you may be subject to pre- and /or post-employment alcohol and drug testing.

**Direct Client Care:**

If you are a candidate for a position that involves direct client care in one of the State facilities/programs, you may be subject to pre- and/or post-employment drug testing/screening. The cost of any pre-employment testing will be at the candidate's expense. Candidates with a positive drug test result, or those who refuse to be tested and/or cooperate with the testing requirement, will not be hired.

**New Jersey  
First Act:**

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-7, the "New Jersey First Act", all employees must reside in the State of New Jersey, unless exempted under the law. If you do not live in New Jersey, you have one year after you begin employment to relocate your residence to New Jersey.

**Resume Note:**

Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency prior to the closing date. Failure to do so may result in your ineligibility.

**Authorization to Work:**

Selected candidates must be authorized to work in the United States according to the Department of Homeland Security, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Regulations. The State of New Jersey does **not** provide sponsorships for citizenships to the United States.

Note: Newly hired employees must agree to a thorough background check that will include fingerprinting.

**The New Jersey Department of Health is an Equal Opportunity Employer.**