

# \*\*\*\*3 Full Time Job Openings\*\*\*\*

## Bi-Lingual (English/Spanish)

# Nutrition Educators

## Hartford

### **Overview:**

The goal of the Center for Community Nutrition (CCN) is to improve the nutritional well-being of low income community members. The Center provides a wide range of nutrition programs that use social marketing strategies that are culturally tailored to the individual and to the target group enabling the Center to reach thousands of families through schools, community centers and other community settings. The Center has an immediate opening for 3 full-time, bi-lingual (English/Spanish) Nutrition Educators in its Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). This program provides community-based nutrition education in schools, health fairs and other community setting; utilizing a variety of teaching tools and strategies, including puppet shows, jeopardy games, and educational presentations in Bridgeport, New Haven and the Hartford area. The Center houses several programs: Breastfeeding: Heritage and Pride, Food Stamp Outreach Program, Diabetes Study.

### **The Organization:**

Established in 1978, the Hispanic Health Council (HHC) is a community-based, non-profit organization located in Hartford, Connecticut. HHC's unique organizational model integrates policy advocacy, community-based research and evidenced-based service to address health inequities experienced by diverse communities. To carry out this charge, the organization has established the following Centers of Excellence: Center for Community Health Research; Center for Women & Children's Health; Center for Community Nutrition; Center for Risk Reduction and the Latino Policy Institute. The Hispanic Health Council is also a founding partner with the University of Connecticut in the Center to Eliminate Health Disparities among Latinos (CEHDL).

### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Work with the SNAP-Ed Coordinator to develop and deliver puppet shows primarily at public schools, and nutrition education presentations at other community sites.
- Travel to schools from New Haven and Bridgeport on a regular basis, and other locations in the state, as needed, in order to conduct educational sessions. This includes carrying, transporting, assembling and disassembling a portable puppet "theater" and sound system with the help of co-workers, performance of the puppet show and collection of time and effort forms and satisfaction surveys from teachers.
- Conduct educational activities at health fairs and other community events, in which flyers, brochures and other educational materials will be distributed and explained.
- Contact school teachers or appropriate staff within school systems to schedule nutrition presentations.
- Keep records and promptly document nutrition presentations and daily activities on appropriate forms.
- Enter data from program logs into a database.
- Keep nutrition education materials in order and conduct periodic inventories of them.

- Participate in all other aspects of the program, including educational activities and program outreach activities, i.e., assisting with research interviews, provision of input into the development of materials for our social marketing campaign, program development strategizing; and other activities as needed.
- Participate in other Hispanic Health Council activities, as needed and as time permits.

**Qualifications:**

- Must have a high school diploma or GED
- Bilingual and bicultural (Spanish/English)
- Own transportation and valid CT driver's license and willing to drive from Hartford to New Haven and Bridgeport on a daily basis.
- Must have enthusiasm for nutrition, community work and working with children. Must have good interpersonal and communication skills in individual and group contexts. Must enjoy and excel in artistic presentation of educational material, i.e. playing voices of various characters during puppet shows, etc.
- Excellent documentation skills.
- Must be able to lift up to 30 pounds.
- Must be flexible to work on pre-scheduled weekends and/or evenings.

**Experience:**

- Post high school studies in nutrition or related field, social science or art preferred but not required.
- Community outreach experience preferred.

**Personal attributes:**

- Enthusiasm for nutrition and community work
- Be a team player

**To Apply:**

Interested candidates should send a *resume and a cover letter* specifying the position to Maria M. Martinez, Human Resources Manager, by mail to Hispanic Health Council, 175 Main Street, Hartford, CT 06106, by fax to 860-724-0437 or by email to [mariam@hispanichealth.com](mailto:mariam@hispanichealth.com).

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