

FOOD SERVICE ASSISTANT I

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

This is non-skilled work in the food service operations of a state institution. Employees assist higher level personnel in preparation and serving of food and are also involved in the cleaning activities which facilitate good sanitation and food service. Work is performed under close supervision by a higher-level food service employee and is reviewed regularly for successful completion of assignments.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES PERFORMED

Peels, washes, and cleans vegetables for kitchen use; prepares salads, slices pies, and performs similar tasks as assigned.

Carries canned and fresh fruits, meats, and vegetables from the storeroom to the kitchen; transports breads, rolls, desserts, and other items from bakery to specified areas; transfers food items from cooking utensils to steam carts; and delivers cooked food to serving areas.

Serves food in a cafeteria line or as a waiter or waitress in a dining hall; sets up trays for service on the ward and serves trays to patients.

Scrubs, scours, and washes cooking utensils and ranges; cleans and mops kitchen; and scrapes plates and trays prior to washing.

Washes dishes by hand or by dishwashing machine including adding soap and detergents and regulating temperature and water flow to thoroughly clean dishes, glassware, and silverware.

Performs related duties as required.

RECRUITMENT STANDARDS

Knowledges, Skills, and Abilities

Ability to learn food preparation and cleaning procedures.

Ability to perform moderately heavy physical labor for extended periods of time.

Ability to maintain high standards of personal cleanliness and food sanitation.

Ability to maintain effective working relationships with employees and patients in the hospital.

Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions as well as keeping some routine records.

Minimum Education and Experience

Education and/or experience in food service that is directly related to the job and consistent with accepted practices of the trade.

Special Requirement

Possession of or ability to secure a valid health certificate issued by the County Health Department if required by the employing agency.