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Title: Registered Dietitian
Location: 1309 Louis Niñé Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10459
Reports to: Director of Home-Based Childcare Services

The Women’s Housing and Economic Development Corporation (WHEDco) is a community development organization founded on the radically simple idea that all people deserve healthy, vibrant communities. We build award-winning, sustainable, affordable homes – but our work is not over when our buildings are complete. WHEDco believes that to be successful, affordable housing must be anchored in strong communities that residents can be proud of. WHEDco’s mission is to give the South Bronx access to all the resources that create thriving neighborhoods – from high-quality early education and after-school programs, to fresh, healthy food, cultural programming, and economic opportunity. See www.whedco.org for more information.

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Job Summary:

Making sure children maintain a healthy body weight is a priority for WHEDco, given the staggering rate of obesity in the nation, and the South Bronx. Through an *Eat Well Play Hard – Day Care Homes* grant from the New York State Department of Health, WHEDco is currently seeking an experienced, bilingual (English & Spanish) full-time Registered Dietitian to join our team for the full grant year, with a possibility of renewal. This initiative is part of WHEDco’s comprehensive health, wellness and nutrition program. The Registered Dietitian will train home-based childcare providers to improve their nutrition and physical activity practices, and to communicate positive messages about eating healthy food and being physically active to children and their families. This intervention is aimed at increasing the likelihood that children aged 3-12, who are in home-based day care settings, will adopt a lifelong commitment to healthy lifestyle habits. In addition, the RD will work ten percent of the time with WHEDco’s Head Start/Early Learn program supporting enrolled children and their families to acquire and maintain healthy habits.

Responsibilities:

- Plans and delivers group workshops and in-home trainings to childcare providers on the *Eat Well Play Hard* curriculum, to assist in the promotion of healthy eating and physical activity.
- Coordinates and works closely with home-based childcare staff on developing and implementing nutrition and physical activities lessons for participants.
- Provides standardized contact reports on *Eat Well Play Hard* participants, and sends them to CACFP on a monthly basis.
- Recruits childcare providers into the *Eat Well Play Hard* program.
- Provides ongoing education/training materials and resources to participants.
- Develops new goals with childcare providers for continued growth and development.

- Delivers group nutrition workshops to licensed and unlicensed childcare providers.
- Creates new nutrition materials and workshops trainings based on population needs.
- Calculate the BMI for the children enrolled in the WHEDco's Head Start/Early Learn Program (currently 111 children).
- Occasionally meet with parents of the WHEDco's Head Start/Early Learn Program to advise on nutrition practices.
- Lead at least one nutrition workshop at the WHEDco's Head Start/Early Learn Program.
- Support the WHEDco's Head Start/Early Learn kitchen staff in preparing menus according to CACFP standards.
- Meet with the WHEDco's Head Start/Early Learn Program Director twice a month.
- Participate in the Health Advisory Committee four times a year.
- Participate in WHEDco's Head Start/Early Learn Program annual self-assessment.
- Works within the organization to create opportunities for further nutrition development.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree required; graduate degree in Nutrition, Public Health, or a related field is preferred
- Additional coursework related to physical activity and/or early childhood education is preferred
- Must have experience providing nutrition education to children and adults; a minimum of 3 to 5 years of experience is strongly preferred
- Must be currently certified with the Commission on Dietetic Registration
- Experience working in a childcare setting preferred
- Bilingual (English & Spanish) is required

Excellent benefits and competitive salary based on experience.

To apply, send a cover letter and resume to one of the following:

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Mail: WHEDco, HBCC Program
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