Position:	DIETARY AIDE
Reports To:	Dietary Services Director
FLSA Status:	NON-EXEMPT (HOURLY)
Summary:	Prepares and serves meals for the dietary department in a safe and appetizing method in compliance with dietary standards, policy and procedures. Cleans kitchen, washes dishes and returns food to proper storage.

Position Responsibilities:

- 1. To create environments where moments of joy, independence, and wellness are the focus each and every day.
- 2. Assists with preparation of food items and serves food to residents within scheduled time frame.
- 3. Cleans and maintains food service areas, including kitchen and dining room.
- 4. Assists Dietary Director and/or cook in maintaining inventory control.
- 5. Maintains clean, neat and safe work environment.
- 6. Assures that resident's diets are followed.
- 7. Assures employees and resident guest meals are accounted for on a daily basis.
- 8. Reports to Dietary Director any loss, breakage or waste of supplies and equipment.
- 9. Observes and communicates to Dietary Director problems or potential problems in the dietary department.
- 10. Observes and reports any unusual or potentially dangerous resident behavior
- 11. Maintains current cleaning list and highest standards for kitchen cleanliness.
- 12. Assists as a resident assistant when all dietary duties are finished.
- 13. Assists in an emergency or, when short-staffed, as a Resident Assistant. See Resident Assistant job description for defined list of duties.
- 14. Performs all other duties assigned by the Dietary Director or Administrator.

Employment Requirements:

- 1. Ability to work with little or no supervision.
- 2. Ability to prepare and serve a wide range of foods skillfully.
- 3. Ability to guide and instruct others in food preparation and food serving.

- 4. Ability to maintain professional demeanor under stress.
- 5. Ability to recognize needs and help others without prompting.
- 6. Ability to relate well with other employees and residents of the community.
- 7. Is neat, clean and works safely.
- 8. Ability to understand, read, write, and speak the English language.
- 9. Maintains acceptable attendance record; notifies supervisor if late or unable to work in accordance with personnel policies; follows work schedule.
- 10. Has ability to spend long period on feet.
- 11. Abides by established policies and procedures of community. Looks for ways to improve community functioning.
- 12. Respects resident rights and adheres to community philosophy of resident care.
- 13. Organizes and utilizes time appropriately; sets priorities to accomplish assigned tasks.

Training and Experience:

Working knowledge of rules and regulations related to health and safety in food preparation. Demonstrates ability in a wide range of food preparation and skills. Experience in dealing with elderly and their dietary needs. Experience in a similar position with a long term or related community.

Universal Precautions:

Exposure to blood/bodily fluids is unlikely.

Physical Requirements:

Ability to lift 40-50 pounds regularly during work hours (heavy work level).

_____, have read the Dietary Aide job description, I, _____ and agree that I will perform the duties and responsibilities of that position and further agree to conform to the rules and regulations of the company.

Signature

Date

Community Representative

Date