

## DIETITIAN/NUTRITIONIST

<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Medical and Public Health
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Personnel
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	The Dietitian/Nutritionist provides clinical nutrition recommendations, nutrition education, public health nutrition programs, and may help oversee preparation and distribution of mass food services for nutritional content.
<b>COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a NIMS typed team (Palliative Care Team).</li> <li>2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment</li> <li>3. This position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days</li> <li>4. This position receives additional just-in-time training specific to specialty areas or disaster response, as necessary</li> </ol>

Each type of resource builds on the qualifications of the type below it. For example, Type 1 qualifications include the qualifications in Type 2, plus an increase in capability. Type 1 is the highest qualification level.

COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>The Dietitian/Nutritionist:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Plans and conducts food service or nutritional programs to help promote health and control disease</li> <li>2. Performs nutritional assessments in consultation with clinical providers to develop and implement nutritional care plans</li> <li>3. Oversees the selection of food to address clinical and cultural needs</li> <li>4. May help oversee preparation and distribution of mass food services for nutritional content</li> <li>5. Counsels individuals and families in diet and nutrition</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>EDUCATION</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bachelor degree in dietetics, food and nutrition, or related field, in accordance with nationally recognized standards on qualifying requirements, such as those from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics</li> <li>2. Completion of a didactic program in Dietetics</li> <li>3. Completion of a dietetic internship accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>TRAINING</b>	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100</li> <li>2. IS-200: Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents</li> <li>3. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction</li> <li>4. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	Two years of experience in a practice setting such as a hospital, health system, or agency, with service commensurate with the mission assignment	Not Specified

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<b>PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Performs duties under moderate circumstances characterized by working consecutive 12-hour days under physical and emotional stress for sustained periods of time</li> <li>2. Is able to work while wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</li> <li>3. Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) immunization recommendations</li> </ol>	PPE is mission specific and may vary by work environment; it includes protective footwear, protective clothing for skin exposure, eye and ear protection, respirators, gloves, and masks.
<b>CURRENCY</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Functions in this position in a healthcare setting within the past three years</li> <li>2. Keeps immunizations up to date and commensurate with mission assignment</li> <li>3. Background checks as applicable law permits or requires</li> </ol>	Provider must carry out and use any background checks as applicable law specifies. This may include a background check completed within the past 12 months; a sex-offender registry check; and a local, state, and national criminal history.
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Registered Dietitian (RD) or Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) certification from the Commission on Dietetic Registration or its equivalent</li> <li>2. State, District of Columbia, or U.S. tribe or territory-granted active status of legal authority to function as a dietitian/nutritionist without restrictions, where applicable</li> </ol>	Not Specified

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Position Qualification for Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services  
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## NOTES

Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated component and capability.

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## REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Palliative Care Team
2. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System, November 2017
3. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Immunization Recommendations for Disaster Responders

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