

THE EASTERN REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

POSITION DESCRIPTION

1. JOB TITLE	2. DIVISION		3. DEPARTMENT
PRIMARY CARE NURSE MANAGER	County Health Administration: ST. Andrew/St. David Nariva/Mayaro		NURSING
4. ORGANISATIONAL RELATIONSHIP		5. NATURE & SCOPE	
The Primary Care Nurse Manager will report to the County Medical Officer of Health and the General Manager-Nursing.		The Primary Care Nurse Manager is responsible for planning, directing and supervising the public health nursing activities in the County. He/She is also required to deliver health talks on public health matters and to investigate reports on cases of infectious disease reported and to take such action as is necessary.	
6. SPECIFIC ACCOUNTABILITIES			

The Primary Care Nursing Manager:

- Assesses the health needs of an assigned County and plans, directs, supervises and evaluates all nursing activities within the County.
- Ensures the efficient staffing in clinics and community programmes within the community.
- Collaborates with the relevant departments in planning, developing and executing outreach and internal programmes to address needs identified.
- Collaborates with the Surveillance Unit in the investigation of report of infectious diseases.
- □ Consults with County Medical Officer of Health, General Manager-Nursing, nursing staff and other professionals and conducts in research projects to improve the delivery of health care within the County.
- Participates in business and strategic planning and the preparation of the annual budget for the County.
- Derticipates in the formation of policies/procedures to improve Nursing care.
- Derticipates in the implementation of special programs in Health Centers.
- Assesses the educational and training needs of staff under their purview and provides recommended educational and training programmes to maintain and develop their competencies.
- Reviews nurse's diaries, domiciliary forms/itineraries, traveling diaries and forms, as required.
- □ Completes performance appraisals reports for staff under their purview.
- Prepares reports on nursing activities for the County, as required.
- □ Participates in quarterly meetings at national level to discuss nursing issues.
- □ Conducts orientation and training programmes for staff.
- □ Conducts interviews in collaboration with Human Resource in the recruitment of staff.
- □ Performs related work as may be required by the appropriate Authority.

7. KEY KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Considerable knowledge of the principles and practices of General Public Health Nursing and Midwifery.
- Considerable knowledge and understanding of Public Health Ordinances related rules and regulations.
- Ability to plan, organize and direct the Public Health Nursing Services in a county or in the Venereal Disease or Thoracic Division.
- □ Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with professional staff, other employees and the public.
- □ Ability to delegate responsibilities when required
- Ability to coach and mentor subordinate staff

8. MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

- Training as evidence by the possession of a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing or a Certificate in Basic General Nursing.
- Diploma of District Health Visitor.
- Post Basic Training in Midwifery

- □ Registration with the Nursing Council of Trinidad and Tobago.
- □ At least fifteen (15) years' experience as a Nurse, five (5) of which must be at a senior level in primary care.
- □ Certification in Leadership/Supervisory Management
- Any other combination of training and experience

9. SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Senior District Health Visitor
- District Health Visitor
- District Nurse
- Nurse
- Nursing Assistant
- Patient Care Assistant
- Student Nurse/Midwife

10. COMMUNICATION AND WORKING RELATIONSHIP

Internal:

- County Medical Officer of Health
- General Manager-Nursing
- □ Area Administrative Officer
- Primary Care Physician II
- D Primary Health Care Services Administrative Officer
- □ All other members of the Management Team
- All other Heads of Department in the Authority, both primary and secondary care

External:

- Ministry of Health
- D Other Regional Health Authorities
- Community based organisation
- □ Chief Nursing Officer (Ministry of Health)
- Director of School Screening Programmes
- Director of Population Programmes
- Director of Health Promotion.
- □ Coordinator (EPI)
- Ministry of Education
- Ministry of Social Development