



**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT  
OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
(GA)**  
invites applications for  
the position of:

**Part-Time  
Breastfeeding  
Peer Counselor**

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**SALARY:** \$10.00 - \$11.00 Hourly

**OPENING DATE:** 02/07/19

**CLOSING DATE:** 02/21/19 11:59 PM

**DESCRIPTION:**

**Location:** Habersham County Health Department, 185 Scoggins Drive, Demorest, GA 30535

**Recruitment:** This position is open to all qualified applicants

**Pay Grade:** TPW

**Position:** 00001719

District 2 Public Health serves 13 counties in the northeastern portion of Georgia and includes Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union and White counties.

The mission of public health is to promote and protect the health of people in Georgia wherever they live, work and play. We embrace this mission by serving individuals, families, and communities to improve their health and enhance their quality of life.

This position is with the District 2 Public Health WIC program in the Habersham County Health Department. The WIC program (Women, Infants and Children) is a nutrition education, breastfeeding education and supplemental food program.

**JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Under direct supervision, provides a broad range of paraprofessional social services to patients/clients/consumers and their families. Conducts patient/client/consumer intakes, participates in treatment team planning, and performs crisis intervention.

- Counsels and supports WIC pregnant and breastfeeding mothers on the basics of breastfeeding by telephone, home visits, WIC clinic and/or other sites as assigned by the Breastfeeding Coordinator.
- Maintains a caseload of WIC participants and makes routine periodic contacts with all clients assigned.
- Keeps accurate records of all contacts made with WIC participants.
- Refers WIC participants as necessary to appropriate agencies.
- Attends and assists with prenatal classes and breastfeeding support groups as available.
- Attends monthly staff meetings and breastfeeding conferences as appropriate.
- Must be able to work a minimum of 20 hours a week with a maximum of 28 hours per week.

## **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

High school diploma or GED AND One year of experience in a social services related position OR Two years at an accredited college or university with at least 15 credit hours in a social services related field.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Has successfully breastfed at least one baby for 6 months or more (do not have to be currently breastfeeding)
- Certified Lactation Counselor (CLC)
- Current or previous WIC recipient preferred.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

To be considered for employment at District 2 Public Health you must complete an online application. This job application can be found at [www.dph.georgia.gov](http://www.dph.georgia.gov). Click on "About DPH" and then "Careers", locate position then click "Apply" to begin your application. Please make sure you have selected the specific job you are interested in and qualified for. You will receive an email or telephone call if you are selected to participate in the interview process. Please do not send hard copies of application materials. All information can be uploaded to the online system. Applications must include an email address and daytime phone number where applicant can be reached. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

Due to the volume of applications received, we are unable to provide information on application status by phone or e-mail. All qualified applicants will be considered, but may not necessarily receive an interview. Selected applicants will be contacted by the hiring agency for next steps in the selection process. Applicants who are not selected will not receive notification.

Pre-employment drug screen and criminal records check (fingerprinting) are required. Note: An applicant who has a disability requiring special accommodations should contact this office. In accordance with Georgia's Drug Free Workplace Act, it has been determined that certain positions warrant pre-employment drug testing.

We are an Equal Opportunity Employer.

For more information regarding employment with District 2 Public Health please visit our website at [www.phdistrict2.org](http://www.phdistrict2.org).