### MANAGE NUTRITION IN THE LIFE CYCLE

### UNIT CODE MED/OS/NUD/CR/02/6/A

### **UNIT DESCRIPTION**

This unit specifies the competencies required to manage nutrition in the life cycle. It involves identifying terminologies in nutrition in the life cycle, demonstrating the knowledge of nutrition during pre-pregnancy, Pregnancy, Lactation, Infancy (0-24 months), preschoolers (25-59 months), pre-adolescents (6years-12 years), Adolescents (13years-19 years), adults (20years-60 years) and older persons/geriatric nutrition (60years and above).

### **ELEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
These describe the <b>key</b>	These are <b>assessable</b> statements which specify the
outcomes which make up	required level of performance for each of the elements.
workplace function.	Bold and italicized terms are elaborated in the range.
1. Identify terminologies	1.1 Terminologies in the lifecycle are identified as per
in nutrition in the life	the existing nutrition policies and guidelines
cycle	1.2 Stages in the life cycle are identified and described as
	per the existing policies and guidelines
	1.3 The amportant roles of nutrition is identified and
	described as per the different life stages
	1.4 Nutrition vulnerability and risks are identified and
	described as per the different life stages
	1.5 The factors that determine nutrition needs are
	identified as per different life stages
2. Demonstrate	2.1 Nutrition needs of men and women before conception
knowledge in	are identified and described as per resource materials
nutrition during pre-	2.2 Importance of pre-conception nutrition knowledge
pregnancy	and services are identified and described as per the
	resource materials and existing guidelines
	2.3 The risk factors with nutrition implications are
	identified and described as per resource materials
	2.4 Nutrition needs during preconception are identified
	as per the RDAs for macro and micronutrients

3.	Demonstrate knowledge in nutrition during Pregnancy	<ul> <li>3.1 Terminologies during pregnancy are identified as per the existing policies and guideline</li> <li>3.2 The <i>stages of pregnancy</i> are identified and their nutrition implications described as per existing resource materials</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>3.3 Complications during each stage of pregnancy are identified and described as per resource materials and guidelines</li> <li>3.4 Nutrition needs during pregnancy are identified and described as per the RDAs for macro and micronutrients</li> <li>3.5 Prenatal care services and other interventions for pregnant women are identified and described as per</li> </ul>
		WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines
	Demonstrate knowledge in nutrition during Lactation	<ul> <li>4.1 Terminologies during lactation are identified as per the existing policies and guideline</li> <li>4.2 Postnatal care services and other interventions for lactating women are identified and described as per WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines</li> <li>4.3 Breast feeding indicators and strategies are identified and described as per WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines</li> <li>4.4 Nutrition needs during lactation are identified and described as per the RDAs for macro and micronutrients</li> </ul>
5.	Demonstrate knowledge in nutrition during Infancy (0-24 months)	<ul> <li>5.1 Nutrition related terminologies in infancy are identified as per the existing policies and guideline</li> <li>5.2 <i>Nutrition requirements</i> for infants 0-6 months/breast feeding indicators are described as per MOH, WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines</li> <li>5.3 Breast feeding in vulnerable situations and in the context of HIV and AIDS are describes as per MOH, WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines</li> <li>5.4 Initiatives to promote good breast-feeding practices are identified and described as per MOH, WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>5.5 Nutrition requirements and need of infants 0-6 months are identified and described as per MOH, WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines</li> <li>5.6 Nutrition requirements and feeding of infants 9 months to 11 months are described as per MOH, WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines</li> <li>5.7 Nutrition requirements and feeding of infants 12 months to 24 months are described as per MOH, WHO/UNICEF policies and guidelines</li> </ul>
6. Demonstrate knowledge in nutrition for preschoolers (25-59 months)	<ul> <li>6.1 Nutrition related terminologies for preschoolers are identified as per the existing policies and guideline</li> <li>6.2 Developmental milestones for preschoolers are described as per resource materials</li> <li>6.3 Nutrition vulnerability for preschoolers are identified and described as per resource materials</li> <li>6.4 Nutrition requirements for pre-school children are identified and described as per RDAs for macro and micronutrients, policies and guidelines</li> </ul>
7. Demonstrate knowledge in nutrition for preadolescents (6years-12 years)	<ul> <li>7.1 Nutrition related terminologies for pre-adolescents are identified as per the existing policies and guideline</li> <li>7.2 Developmental milestones are described as per resource materials</li> <li>7.3 Nutrition vulnerabilities for pre-adolescents are identified and described as per resource materials</li> <li>7.4 Nutrition requirements for pre-adolescents are identified and described as per RDAs for macro and micronutrients, policies and guidelines</li> </ul>
8. Demonstrate knowledge in nutrition for adolescents (13years-19 years)	<ul> <li>8.1 Nutrition related terminologies for adolescents are identified as per the existing policies and guideline</li> <li>8.2 Developmental changes in adolescence are described as per resource materials</li> <li>8.3 Nutrition vulnerabilities for adolescents are identified and described as per resource materials</li> <li>8.4 Nutrition requirements for adolescents are identified and described as per RDAs for macro and micronutrients, policies and guidelines</li> <li>8.5 Factors influencing dietary practices and food choices are identified and described as per resource materials</li> </ul>

9. Demonstrate	9.1 Nutrition related terminologies in adulthood are
knowledge in	identified as per the existing policies and guideline
nutrition for adults	9.2 Nutrition vulnerabilities and habits with nutrition
(20years-60 years)	implication are identified and described as per
	categories of adulthood
	9.3 Nutrition requirements for early adulthood (20-40)
	years) are described as per RDAs for macro and
	micronutrients, policies and guidelines
	9.4 Nutrition requirements for mid adulthood (40 years-60)
	years) are described as per RDAs for macro and
	micronutrients, policies and guidelines
10. Demonstrate	10.1 Nutrition related terminologies for older persons
knowledge in	are identified as per the existing policies and
nutrition for older	guideline
persons/geriatric	10.2 Nutrition assessment for the older persons are
nutrition (60years and	identified, described and demonstrated as per
above)	resource materials
,	10.3 Physiological psychosocial and economic
	changes for older persons are described as per resource
	materials 🗸
	10.4 Meal planning for the older person is described
	and demonstrated as per resource materials
	10.5 Nutrition requirements for the older persons are
	identified and described as per RDAs for macro and
	micronutrients, policies and guidelines
	10.6 Nutrient drug interactions for the older persons are
	identified and described as per resource materials
	10.7 Interventions for the older persons in Kenya are
	identified and described as per existing policies

## **RANGE**

This section provides work environments and conditions to which the performance criteria apply. It allows for different work environment and situations that will affect performance.

Variable	Range
1. Stages in the life	Pre-pregnancy
cycle	Pregnancy
	• Lactation

	<ul> <li>Infancy</li> <li>Pre-school age</li> <li>Pre-adolescents</li> <li>Adolescents</li> <li>Adulthood/early adulthood/mid adulthood/late adulthood or older persons</li> </ul>
2. Stages of pregnancy	<ul> <li>Implantation/first trimester</li> <li>Cellular differentiation/second trimester</li> <li>Growth/third trimester</li> </ul>
3. Nutrition requirements	<ul> <li>Calories</li> <li>Carbohydrates</li> <li>Proteins</li> <li>Fats</li> <li>Vitamins</li> <li>Minerals</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>

## REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING

The individual needs to demonstrate knowledge of:

### Knowledge

- Anatomy and physiology
- WHO guidelines
- WFP guidelines
- Macro and micro nutrients

### **SKILLS**

The individual needs to demonstrate the following skills:

- ICT
- Communication
- Information technology
- Analysis
- Synthesis and evaluation
- Decision making
- Management
- Leadership

# **EVIDENCE GUIDE**

This provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria, required skills and knowledge and range.

1. Critical Aspects of	Assessment requires evidence that the candidate:
Competency	1.1 Identified terminologies in nutrition in the life cycle
	1.2 Demonstrated knowledge of nutrition during pre-
	pregnancy
	1.3 Demonstrated knowledge of nutrition during
	Pregnancy
	1.4 Demonstrated knowledge of nutrition during
	Lactation
	1.5 Demonstrated knowledge of nutrition during
	infancy(0-24 months)
	1.6 Demonstrated knowledge of nutrition for
	preschoolers (25-59 months)
	1.7 Demonstrate knowledge of nutrition for pre-
	adolescents (6years-12 years)
	1.8 Demonstrate knowledge of nutrition for adolescents
	(13years-19 years)
	1.9 Demonstrated knowledge of nutrition for adults
	(20years-60 years)
	1.10 Demonstrated knowledge of nutrition for older
	persons/geriatric nutrition (60years and above)
2. Resource	The following resources must be provided:
Implications	2. 1Nutrition books
	2. 2Food models
	2. 3Counselling cards
	2. 4Food lab
3. Methods of	Competency may be accessed through:
Assessment	3.1 Written tests
	3.2 Oral questioning
	3.3 Third party reports
	3.4 Case studies
4. Context of	Competency may be assessed:
Assessment	4.1 On the job
	4.2 Off the job
	4.3 In work placement (attachment)
	4.4 Off the job assessment must be undertaken in a
	closely simulated workplace environment

5.	Guidance	Holistic assessment with other units relevant to the
	information for	industry subsector, workplace and job roles is
	assessment	recommended.

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