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We're Hiring!
Join Our Team.

We are Accepting Applications for the Following Position:
Hourly WIC Peer Counselor (10465)

Founded in the 1920s and headquartered in Decatur, GA, DeKalb Public Health (DKPH) works to protect, promote and improve the health and well-being of all DeKalb County residents.

Our vision is for a healthier DeKalb where all residents have equitable access to public health resources and live healthy lives. If you have a passion for people and are looking to make an impact on the health of the community, we invite you to join our team! For more information about our agency please visit dekalbpublichealth.com.

POSTING DATE: 03/13/2026

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 04/13/2026

LOCATION: North Health Center

DIVISION/DEPARTMENT: Clinical Services

SALARY INFORMATION: \$18.00 Hourly / Pay Grade TPW / JCCP Code T6001

DUTIES: A WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor is a paraprofessional support person who gives basic breastfeeding information and encouragement to WIC pregnant and breastfeeding mothers.

1. Attends breastfeeding training classes to become a peer counselor.
2. Receives a caseload of WIC mothers and makes routine periodic contacts with all mothers assigned.
3. Gives basic breastfeeding information and support to new mothers, including telling them about the benefits of breastfeeding, overcoming common barriers, and getting a good start with breastfeeding. She also helps mothers prevent and handle common breastfeeding concerns.
4. Counsels WIC pregnant and breastfeeding mothers by telephone, home visits, and/or hospital visits at scheduled intervals determined by the local WIC Program.
5. May counsel women in the WIC clinic.
6. Is available outside the WIC clinic and the usual 8 to 5 working schedule to new mothers who are having breastfeeding problems.
7. Respects each mother by keeping her information strictly confidential.
8. Keeps accurate records of all contacts made with WIC mothers.
9. Refers mothers, according to clinic-established protocols, to:
 - WIC nutritionist or breastfeeding coordinator.
 - Lactation consultant.
 - Mother's physician or nurse.
 - Public health programs in the community.
 - Social service agencies.
10. Attends and assists with prenatal classes and breastfeeding support groups.
11. Attends monthly staff meetings and breastfeeding conferences/workshops as appropriate.
12. Reads assigned books and materials on breastfeeding that are provided by the supervisor.
13. May assist WIC staff in promoting breastfeeding peer counseling through special projects and duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High school diploma or GED AND six months of experience in a related field.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Has breastfed at least one baby (does not have to be currently breastfeeding). Is enthusiastic about breastfeeding and wants to help other mothers enjoy a positive experience. Can work about 20 hours a week. Has a telephone and is willing to make phone calls from home. Has reliable transportation.

NOTE: Thank you for your interest in DKPH. Due to the volume of applications, we are unable to provide application status by phone or email. All qualified candidates will be considered but may not necessarily receive an interview.

Selected applicants will be contacted for next steps. Applicants who are not selected will not receive notification. We have the right to close any position at any time for any reason.

Employment with DeKalb Public Health is not complete or official until applicants meet all pre-employment requirements. Requirements for this position may be subject to: Pre-Employment Drug Screening, Criminal Background Check/Fingerprinting, Previous Employment Reference Check, Specific Immunizations, Motor vehicle check, and/or Education and/or Licensure verification.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST APPLY FOR THIS POSITION & COMPLETE APPLICATION IN: "Career Opportunities" at [Job Opportunities | Locations: dekalb county | Sorted by Posting Date descending | JOB OPPORTUNITIES \(governmentjobs.com\)](#) If you require accommodations under the American Disability Act (ADA), email request by the closing date of this announcement to: jannise.gray1@dph.ga.gov.

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