

Employment Application Instructions

Many applicants either have their applications rejected by application errors that may be avoided. The following information is an effort to help you avoid the most common mistakes. Please read these instructions carefully before submitting your employment application. Any misrepresentation in this application and/or attachments may cause your application to be rejected, your name to be removed from the eligible register and/or subject you to dismissal.

> GENERAL INFORMATION

- Please read the minimum requirements for the job in which you are interested.
- Apply for positions **only** if you meet the minimum qualifications for the job. We cannot waive requirements.
- Type or print applications in blue or black ink.
- Application materials must be received by the announced deadline.
- Remember to sign and date your employment application.
- Applicants should provide accurate and complete application information regarding employment, education, criminal history, etc.
- Criminal record checks may be run on all applicants. These record checks may be run prior to candidates being eligible for interview.
- The following information is required for criminal record checks to be run: SSN, birth date, driver's license and state in which it was issued, city and state of every employer.
- Copies of applications are encouraged as long as each copy is complete, legible and signed.
- Applications written in pencil or copies that are too light or damaged (bent, rolled, stained, etc.) are not acceptable.
- Once submitted, your application and attachments will not be returned, reused or copied for you.

> EDUCATION RELATED INFORMATION

Educational requirements are met only through accredited institutions. The institutions must be accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education. Foreign degrees must be converted.

In order for education points to be credited, **education**, **certification** and **similar documents are required with employment applications**. It is best to provide copies of transcripts in case specific courses are needed. It is also beneficial to bring certificates and diplomas for short courses completed, such as software, leadership courses, etc.

Even if you did not complete college, it is still beneficial to submit an official transcript of completed courses because partial credit may be awarded.

If you are applying for a position that requires a college degree and you either did not complete college, or completed but not in the required field, you must list your major undergraduate subjects and credit hours to be considered for admitting.

> EMPLOYMENT RELATED

Work history information is used to determine whether you qualify for the job for which you are applying. List <u>all</u> periods of employment, beginning with your present or most recent employer and working back.

Title of position held should be your official title and not a working title or multiple titles.

It is especially important that you fill out the beginning and ending dates (month/year) and the average number of hours worked per week for each job listed. If the hours varied, list a range such as "5-15" hours, or "20-40" hours. If you often worked overtime, "40+" is acceptable in the hours box.

If you held different jobs while working for the same employer (e.g. promotions), treat each change as a separate job using separate blocks and giving specific information for each change.

Also, describe in <u>detail</u> the specific duties beginning with your primary duties. Job descriptions should include types of software used, specific equipment operated, languages programmed, customer service specifics and other such details. Preprinted job descriptions are not accepted in place of description of duties on the application form since they do not necessarily reflect your particular position.

Where you have held supervisory positions, titles of people supervised, not just the number of people, should be indicated.

Check your starting and ending dates for feasibility. Look for errors such as employed from 2/6/87-1/4/82 or a date of 14/2/93, or 6/8/19.

Please do not use abbreviations, initials or military jargon when describing your duties or listing your job title.

Include specific details such as software used, equipment operated, types of records maintained, etc.

If you cannot fit all the jobs you have held on this application form, ask for supplemental sheets for listing additional jobs (or copy any blank job page).

Thank you for your interest in Palmetto Health Council, Inc. employment and good luck in your employment search. 03/09