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PURPOSE:

1. To identify patients diet by the use of color coded diet cards.
2. To identify and check easily, patients diet during dishing out of food into individual food trays.

LEVEL:

Dietitian, Food Service Worker

DEFINITION OF TERMS:

- Full Diet- incorporates a wide variety of foods and adequate caloric intake.
- Diabetic Diet- a dietary adjustment for patients with diabetes mellitus intended to decrease the need for insulin or oral diabetic agents and control weight by adjusting caloric and carbohydrate intake.
- Soft diet- consists of foods soft in texture, moderately low in fiber, and processed by chopping, grinding or pureeing to be easier to chew.
- Clear Liquid Diet- provides clear liquids that supply fluid and calories without residue
- Low Fat Diet- an eating plan that is low in total fat, unhealthy fat, and cholesterol
- Low Purine Diet- a meal plan based on foods that are low in purine content
- Low Sodium Diet- usually prescribed for patients with hypertension and for those with excess fluid accumulations
- DASH- an eating plan designed to lower the blood pressure. DASH is an acronym for Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension
- General Liquid- provides fluid and semi-solid foods that are liquid at body temperature
- Neutropenic Diet- "low microbial" or low-bacteria diet; same as regular diet but fresh vegetables and fruits are restricted.
- No Dark Colored Foods- diet usually prescribed for dengue patients and occult blood test; to provide foods that will not alter test results.

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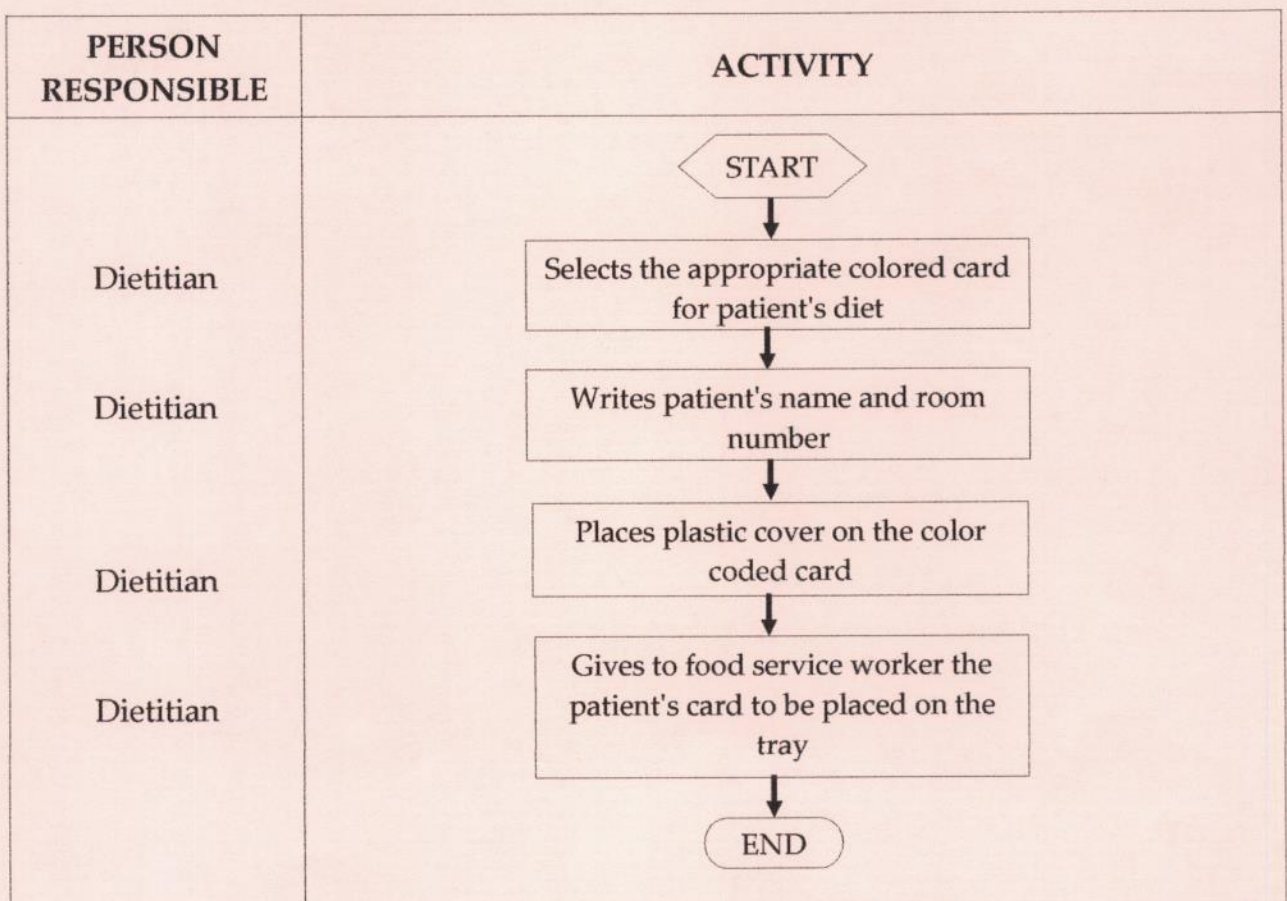
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PROCEDURE:

1. Dietitian selects the appropriate color from the deck of colored cards.
2. Dietitian writes the name of patient, room number on selected colored card.

FLOWCHART:



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WORK INSTRUCTION:

Dietitian

1. Gives the filled in color coded card to Food Service Worker.
2. Places it on the patient tray.
3. Follows the prescribed diet of patients in dishing out foods to individual patient's tray.

Food Service Worker

1. Places the color coded card on the patient tray.
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DOCUMENTATION:

- Diet List Received
- Color Coded Cards

DISSEMINATION:

- Constant dialogue between the Food Service Workers and Dietitians

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SCOPE:

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PERSON RESPONSIBLE:

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GENERAL GUIDELINES

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KEY TASKS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
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2. Writes the name of patient, room number on selected colored card.	Dietitian

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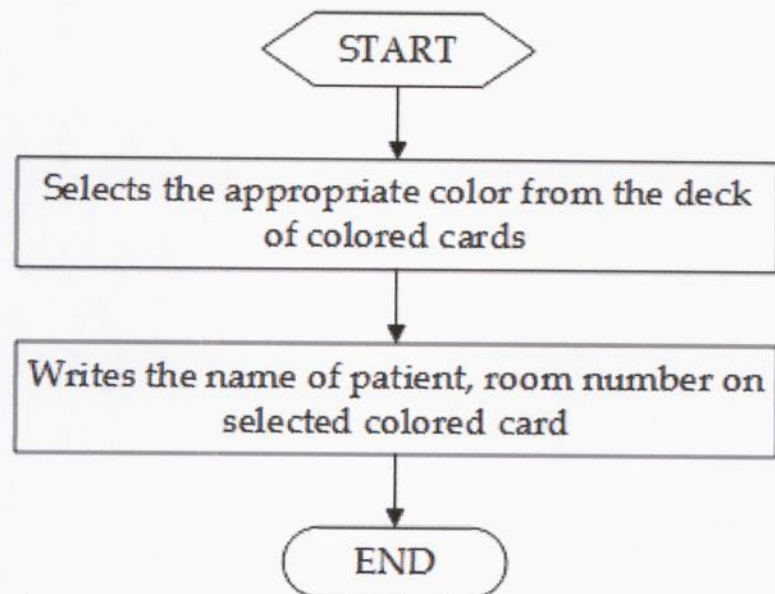


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