



Medical Social Worker Job Posting

Niagara Hospice provides expert, specialized care and personalized support to Niagara County residents, families and caregivers facing any type of terminal illness with a prognosis of six months or less. The Niagara Hospice Medical Social Worker provides clinical social work services within the scope of practice to patients and their families admitted to the Hospice program in Niagara County.

Responsibilities

- Mediate and advocate for patient's choice by facilitating their goals
- Support patients and families in addressing their anticipatory grief issues
- Assess families for potential complicated mourning, disenfranchised grief, or psychopathological history, and refer for pre-bereavement and /or mental health services as warranted
- Provide patients and families with assessing nursing home options or volunteer services information
- Assist with health teaching/disease progression
- Conduct suicide prevention/lethality assessment
- Identify and coordinate a plan to meet the psychosocial needs and services with other patient/family needs and services being addressed by the team
- Participate in assessments, admissions, discharge planning, service availability, treatment plan design, implementation of services, review of services, and evaluation responsibilities of the team.
- Provide special awareness and assistance in the identification and dealing of psychosocial stresses of patients and families in accordance with their own cultural and spiritual beliefs as they go through anticipatory grief, the dying process, and death
- Establish necessary service provider linkages with allied health and social service agencies on behalf of the Hospice patient/family, with appropriate follow-up and advocacy
- Coordinate the delivery of social work services to maximize effectiveness and eliminate duplication with contracted and/or cooperating social service units of

- hospitals, county DSS, and other public and private agencies
- Serve as the Niagara Hospice Social Work Representative in the Community.

Qualifications:

- A minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work from a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.
- A minimum of one year experience in a social service agency adhering to acceptable standards, preferred.
- Valid NYS driver's license

Niagara Hospice Offers outstanding benefits, including:

- A great Work-Life balance
- Premium Pay
- 19 days of paid time off in your first year
- Health Insurance starting on your first day
- Inexpensive insurance options for medical & dental
- Birthday gift
- And Much More!!

If you have an empathetic approach to helping others and making a difference in the community, we invite you to apply. Visit us at NiagaraHospice.org. Please apply online at www.niagarahospice.org/careers. EOE