

## Job Details

POSITION: Direct Care Social Worker – Masters Prepared  
REPORTS TO: Social Services Coordinator

### Position Summary

Under the direction of the Clinical Program Director, the Direct Care Social Worker assumes responsibility for the provision of guidance, supportive counseling, and resource allocation to patients and families. Provides guidance and supportive counseling to nursing facility staff as requested.

### Major Responsibilities:

- Completes an initial psychosocial assessment and develops the Plan of Care
- Provides services to identified individuals in patient/family system who request these services at intervals which are indicated. This may include guidance, supportive counseling, bereavement services, and resource allocation.
- Documents services according to agency policy. Participates in the referral and admission process as assigned.
- Assists IDT in their understanding of the social/emotional factors related to patient/family issues.
- Maintains a working knowledge of community resources and makes appropriate referrals.
- Maintains professional boundaries in interactions with patients, families and other caregivers.
- Performs all reasonable related duties of a social worker as assigned.

### Position Requirements:

- Master's degree in social work, preferred.
- One year social work experience in a healthcare setting required. Two - five years clinical experience - medical (hospice, home health) preferred.
- Licensed in the State of Ohio
- Ability to understand and respond to the needs of terminally ill persons and their caregivers in varied settings.
- Excellent communication skills – verbal and written.
- Favorable references

**Individuals interested in the Direct Care Social Worker Position may apply at the *Hospice & Palliative Care Office*, located at 2525 Back Orrville Road, Wooster, OH 44691. Resumes may also be sent to this address, sent by email to [wchospicejobs@wchospice.org](mailto:wchospicejobs@wchospice.org), or by fax (330) 262-2819.**