

## **Nurse Practitioner – PT32 Hours/Week Job Posting**

### **JOB SUMMARY**

The Hospice & Palliative Care NP will work autonomously but in collaboration with Physicians to provide primary medical care to patients with chronic or life limiting illnesses that require palliative or hospice care interventions. Reports to the Director of Homecare Operations and Hospice Managers.

The Nurse Practitioner will be responsible for rounding in hospitals and skilled nursing facilities, reviewing patients currently on services and updating care plans accordingly. Under the direction of the medical director, the nurse practitioner will assess, review medication, create an appropriate care plan and provide and evaluate care. In addition, the nurse practitioner will assist with advanced directives and discuss goals of care and the disease process, progression, and grief process with patients and caregivers.

In addition, the nurse practitioner will work with the Hospice Managers to provide education on palliative and hospice care within the community as well as the agency staff regularly.

Provides medical care and manages advanced illness in compliance with Rhode Island and Massachusetts Nurse Practice Act under the supervision of a collaborating physician in the home, hospital, or skilled nursing facility setting.

### **EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE**

1. Graduate of a nationally accredited school of nursing.
2. Baccalaureate degree in nursing with a minimum of four years acute care experience, and one year as a nurse practitioner.
3. Completion of a certificate granting program, preferably Masters level as a Nurse Practitioner in Adult or Family Health.
4. Current licensure as a registered nurse practitioner in Rhode Island and Massachusetts. (If MA Nursing License is not held at hire date, will be given 1 year from hire date to acquire).
5. Granted pharmacy privileges as administered through Rhode Island State law and the Rhode Island Nurse Practice Act.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Demonstrates an ability to independently make decisions regarding clients' care, seeking supervisory collegial, or physician advise as needed.
2. Verbalizes knowledge of scope of practice in the clinic setting and legal and ethical implications involved.
3. Demonstrates the technical and clinical expertise to provide comprehensive health care, within the clinic setting.



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## **JOB SPECIFICATIONS**

- Part-Time, 32 Hours/Week / Salaried / Exempt
- Benefit eligible: paid time off, health, dental, vision etc
- North Kingstown & Portsmouth, RI Offices

## **PHYSICAL EFFORTS AND SKILLS**

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is occasionally required to stand; walk; sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; climb stairs; balance; stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl; talk or hear; taste or smell. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by the job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

## **DISCLAIMER CLAUSE**

The job description and specifications should not be construed as an exhaustive listing of all responsibilities, skills or working conditions associated with the position. They are only intended to be an accurate reflection of the principle requirements of the position.

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**Applications must be submitted in writing to Dawn Pagliaro in Human Resources  
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