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**University of Houston
Graduate College of Social Work
JOB OPPORTUNITY POSTING**

Job Title: Hospice Medical Social Worker

Employer/Agency: Odyssey Hospice, Inc.

Job Description: Provide wide range of psychosocial services to terminally ill patients and their families, including regularly assessing the patient and family psychosocial needs, and Pre-Bereavement/anticipatory grief needs. Implements the Plan of Care provisions to meet their needs, which include: social service goals for alleviating problems, supportive counseling, problem solving, community referrals pre-bereavement and bereavement care. Regularly re-evaluates the patient's and family's psychosocial needs. Adheres to Company policies and procedures and regulatory compliance requirements and directives.

Qualifications:

- **LMSW**
- Minimum age requirement of 18.
- Bachelor's degree in Social Work, Master's degree preferred. Masters degree from school accredited by the Council on Social Work Education required in states as specified.
- Licensure and/or certification as required by the State.
- Minimum of two year's social service experience in a health care setting or social services agency.
- Knowledge of and ability to obtain community resources (information and referral, state/federal financial programs and eligibility requirements, etc.).
- Compliance with accepted professional standards and practices.
- Understands Hospice philosophy, principles of death/dying.
- Ability to work in an interdisciplinary setting.
- Physical exam in accordance with state law requirements.
- Valid driver's license and an automobile that is insured in accordance with state and/or Odyssey requirements and is in good working order.
- Satisfactory references from employers and/or professional peers.
- Satisfactory criminal background check.

- Compliance with accepted professional standards and practices.
- Ability to work within an interdisciplinary setting.
- Demonstrate excellent observation, judgment and communication skills. Ability to provide good written documentation in a timely manner.
- Self-directed with the ability to work with little supervision.

Salary/Hours: \$42,000-\$52,000, DOE

Odyssey employees enjoy competitive salaries, flexible schedules for many positions, and a range of excellent Full-Time benefits, including:

- PPO or HMO medical insurance
- Dental insurance
- Vision insurance
- Company-paid life insurance with A D & D coverage
- Flexible spending accounts to set aside pre-tax dollars for childcare and medical care
- Optional life insurance
- Optional long-term disability coverage
- Short-term disability plan
- 401(k) with a company match
- Tuition reimbursement
- Employee referral bonus
- Generous PTO program with select holidays
- Employee recognition programs and an enjoyable work environment

Employer/Agency: Odyssey Hospice, Inc.
Address: #9 Professional Park, Suite A
City, State, Zip: Webster, TX 77598

Application Method: Please apply online: www.gentiva.com/careers

Opening Date: Immediately

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