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Division: GULF COAST

DHP Classification: SOCIAL WORKER – LICENSED

Name of Dependent Healthcare Professional (DHP):

Social Worker – Licensed:

The Social Worker – Licensed (DHP) must have equivalent qualifications and competence as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility.

Definition of Care or Service:

Scope of Service may include:

- Make rounds in conjunction with physician
- General patient education
- Placement and after-care arrangements for patients
- Psychological counseling/therapy (e.g. marital)
- Neuropsychological assessment
- Other: (Specify): _____

Setting(s):

- Healthcare facilities including but not limited to hospitals, outpatient treatment facilities, imaging centers, and physician practices

Supervision:

- Direct supervision by psychiatrist with medical privileges at practicing facility.
- Supervision is defined by any limitations in practice that may be addressed by state law

Evaluator: Department Medical director or designee in conjunction with supervising physician.

Qualifications:

- Master's or doctorate degree in social work from school accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.
- Current Texas state licensure as "Licensed Master Social Worker" or "Licensed Master Social Worker, Advanced Clinical Practitioner".
- Recommended: Current Basic Life Support certification.

Experience:

- Two years of full time (or 3,000 hours of equivalent part time) paid, post-master's or post-doctorate social work experience with supervision by a social worker in an agency or organized setting required by most, preferred by Conroe. Kingwood will accept 1 year of full time or 1,500 hours of equivalent part time experience.
- Two professional references from social work colleagues required.

Competencies:

The Social Worker will demonstrate:

- knowledge and skills necessary to assist/provide services to patients in relation to growth and development over the life span including the ability to assist in the identification of requirements relative to age-specific and handicapped needs.
- Possesses knowledge of crisis intervention techniques.
- Conducts individual, group, and family therapy/counseling as needed.



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- Possesses comprehensive knowledge of community resources and mechanisms for referring individual patient and family to these resources.
- Possesses comprehensive knowledge regarding Medicare and other third-party payer regulations regarding hospital services and post-discharge services.
- Possesses knowledge of resources available for ethical concerns and makes appropriate referrals.
- Utilizes verbal and written communication skills with a high degree of effectiveness in meeting position responsibilities.
- Consistently documents activities in the patient's medical record.
- Identifies education needs of patient/family/significant other and assists with the development of an appropriate plan to meet those needs.
- Ensures implementation of operational standards which promote the maintenance of patient rights which apply to patients of all ages and their families, including, but not limited :
 - Informed consent.
 - Clarification of patient expectations.
 - Explanation of treatment processes.
 - Maintenance of confidentiality of patient information.
 - Ethical considerations.
 - Handling of patient complaints.
 - Infection prevention
 - Practices consistent hand hygiene
 - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - Maintains current immunization for influenza
 - Complies with Isolation precautions
 - Complies with required surgical attire
 - Maintains sterile field

DHP Printed Name: _____ **DHP Signature:** _____

Company/Vendor: _____ **Date:** _____