



**OPEN POSITION:**

**ASSISTANT MEDICAL DIRECTOR**

Full Time (40 hours per week)

100% Benefits Eligible

Exempt

Hourly

Not Benefits Eligible

Non-Exempt

Reports to: Medical Director

**POSITION SUMMARY:**

Hospice of Central New York (HCNY) serves the city of Syracuse, NY and surrounding area. It is an independent, well-managed, not for profit hospice with a daily census of 120-150. We are looking for an additional physician to join our group of 4 in providing medical director duties. The position can be full or part time. There are opportunities to combine inpatient or outpatient palliative care locally if desired, and 2 of our physicians do so already. All HCNY physicians have academic appointments at Upstate Medical University, periodically lecture on campus, and medical residents rotate through our Hospice. We also established an elective for medical students to train and work as Hospice volunteers over a decade ago. HCNY is known for its ability to provide the full range of palliative care in homes including IV and SC medications administration, use of methadone and ketamine, and palliative sedation if necessary. Along with the usual medical director responsibilities, HCNY physicians provide an annual lecture series and ongoing teaching to HCNY nurses resulting in stronger, more collaborative teams. Hospice and Palliative Care certification is preferred, but a person with appropriate experience and skills interested in a career change would be considered.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Preapproval and certification of patients for Hospice services
- Visits patients wherever they are living, primarily their homes, for required recertification visits and palliative care consultations.
- Attend weekly interdisciplinary team meetings as needed
- Regular interactions by phone with Hospice nurses guiding symptom management.
- Collaborating with local attending physicians in complex cases.
- Provide on-call coverage with other HCNY physicians.
- Assist with development of clinical policies as needed
- Participate in teaching activities.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Either board certification in Hospice and Palliative Medicine, or board certification in other specialty willing to commit to retraining.
- Minimum 5 years postgraduate direct patient care in the absence of fellowship training in Hospice & Palliative Medicine
- DEA certification
- NYS physician license preferred
- Valid driver's license and physical ability to see patients in all kinds of settings.

**APPLY TO:**

**Hospice of CNY**

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