



**JOB TITLE:** H.O.P.E Nurse Educator (Home Options Path to Empowerment)

**LOCATION:** Northfield, IL

**FLSA Status:** Exempt

**PT/FT:** FT (35 hours/week) or part-time (25-30 hours/week)

Are you looking to make a difference in people's lives? If you answered yes, then you will enjoy working at North Shore Senior Center! We are in search of a Nurse Educator that will build relationships with nursing home residents to review their medical status, provide health education about their medical conditions, and assist with skill building for self-management tasks. After clients move into the community, the H.O.P.E. Nurse Educator visits clients in their homes to assist with medication set up, to support individual health goals, to continue to provide health education and assist with skill building, and to provide an evaluation/assessment after unexpected ER visits and hospitalizations.

NSSC is a small non-profit social services agency with just over 100 employees. For the third year in a row, Chicago Tribune has recognized NSSC as a Top Workplace in the Chicagoland area. We are looking for someone who will bring their experience and passion to support the independence and well-being of our clients.

We work hard to foster a supportive work environment with a healthy work-life balance. We invest in the training and support of new employees as they start in this new role.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Educate nursing home residents about their medical conditions, medications/treatments, and ongoing health care needs to support independent living
- Provide training and education about medical conditions and issues such as diabetes, wound care, medication adherence, etc.
- Engage members in discussion of adherence to personal health plans
- Visit nursing home residents while they reside in the nursing home and after they move into the community
- Makes home visits after unexpected ER visits and/or hospitalizations
- Support development of assessments and comprehensive service plans and provide guidance to HOPE team on health issues
- Makes referrals to community agencies as appropriate
- Collaborates with partner agencies as needed
- Follows all program standards and procedures
- Completes all required documentation according to program standards.
- Refers to Adult Protective Services (APS) program or Long-Term Care Ombudsman when abuse, neglect or exploitation is suspected

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Associate degree in nursing required, BSN preferred
- RN license
- Minimum of 1 year experience in providing services to older adults
- Experience in working with clients with severe mental health conditions, drug/alcohol misuse and/or complicated physical illness preferred
- Excellent written and oral communication skills with demonstrated ability to engage and motivate clients
- Computer skills required: Microsoft Office Suite; ability to learn proprietary programs
- Other skills required:
  - Knowledge of community supportive services
  - Sensitivity to cultural diversity
  - Ability to work with people who have multi-faceted needs
  - Current driver's license and access to a vehicle
  - Experience with Motivational Interviewing, preferred
  - Experience with Colbert and/or Williams consent decrees, preferred
  - Experience with hospice, home health care and/or community care management, preferred

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**To be considered for this position, please send your resume and salary requirements to [hr@nssc.org](mailto:hr@nssc.org).**

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