

Job description

Job title Senior Complementary Therapist

Department Wellbeing

Reporting to Head of Community Partnerships and Wellbeing Services

Location ellenor Gravesend

Job summary

The Senior Complementary Therapist delivers a range of complementary therapies to patients with advanced disease and their carers, supporting their physical, emotional, and psychological wellbeing.

Working within the Wellbeing team the role involves assessing, planning, and delivering both individual treatments and group sessions, collaborating with the multidisciplinary team, and ensuring high standards of care in line with professional guidelines.

The postholder also manages volunteer therapists, contributes to education and training, and actively participates in the wider hospice community.

Key responsibilities

Clinical:

- To work in accordance with the Complementary Therapy Policy guidelines and standards framework.
- Accept referrals, assess, plan, deliver and evaluate individual complementary therapy treatments that are appropriate for individual patients with advanced disease and their carers, taking into consideration physical and psychological issues.
- To promote the key values of palliative care for patients, families and carers.

Person specification (essential and desirable criteria)

Education

- Recognised complementary therapy qualification at Diploma level in one or more complementary therapies.
- Post-qualification experience.

Skills and attributes

- Ability to offer a minimum of 2 complementary therapies (massage, aromatherapy &/or reflexology).
- Demonstrable skills in understanding the place of complementary therapies when working with individuals, families and groups.
- Excellent liaison skills and the ability to work independently and as part of the multi-professional team.
- Excellent communication skills.

Experience

- Good experience of offering complementary therapies to adults in a healthcare setting for a minimum of 2 years.
- Previous experience of working with palliative care patients and working with volunteers is desirable, but not essential.
- Post will require enhanced DBS clearance.
- Driving license desirable, but not essential.

If you wish to speak with a member of HR the team regarding your application, Please contact us at **HR@ellenor.org** or call **01474 320007**