

SOCIAL WORK APPRECIATION



As an organization we would like to take this time to recognize and say thank you to all of our social workers and our palliative pathways program coordinators. You make a difference in the lives of our patients and their families!

A heartfelt THANK YOU to our hospice social workers: Jennifer Caballero, Julia Doran, Kathy Hanson, Donna Johnson, Diana Lambrecht, Mary Lovegren, Tashika Smith, Renee Tyler, Amy Ward, Laura Webb, Derrick Wiggam, Penny Zeman and to our palliative pathways coordinators: Emily Payma, Martina Reyna and Loretta Widmann.

All About Hospice Social Workers

- Provide therapeutic/emotional support, education and resource information to patients and their families.
- Advocate for patient's needs/wishes with team members, family members, caregivers, and other providers.
- Assess the psychosocial needs of patient and family members
- Provide therapeutic counseling and emotional support to patients and family members and education on end of life issues

All About Palliative Pathways Coordinators

- Work closely with physicians of patients who are not yet ready or appropriate for hospice but need additional support
- Provides support services and community resources
- Conducts community education and/or in-services to educate the community on programs available to assist patients and families as they navigate a life-limiting illness.

Employee Spotlight Amy Ward, Social Worker

- Tell us one thing that your coworkers would be surprised to know about you? Most of them do not know that basketball is my favorite sport and I played on a select team in high school. I would love to join a team and play now too!
- What is your favorite hobby/thing to do when you are not working? Spend time with my (now) three kids and husband. I also love to travel and would do that every weekend if I could!
- In regards to the Predictive Index, what flavor pie are you? Blueberry



"What I like most about working at Providence Hospice of Texas is my coworkers. Love them so much and so thankful for them! They are like second family to me."

*-Amy Ward,
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