Job Posting: Chaplain, Sherrill House 135 South Huntington Avenue Boston, MA 02130 www.sherrillhouse.org

## **About Sherrill House**

Sherrill House is a 196-bed not-for-profit skilled nursing and rehabilitation center located in Jamaica Plain. Dedicated to its urban roots and ecumenical spirit, Sherrill House represents a century-old tradition of attending to the needs of vulnerable elders, regardless of financial status, ethnicity or religious background.

Sherrill House provides clinical services in three distinct specialty areas. These include shortterm rehabilitation care through its highly-regarded Return to Home<sup>TM</sup> program, traditional longterm care, and Alzheimer's and dementia care provided on one of the region's first dedicated Alzheimer's units.

## **Position Summary**

Sherrill House is seeking a part-time (20 hour/week) chaplain to offer pastoral care and spiritual accompaniment to residents from many faith traditions. Responsibilities will include providing one-on-one pastoral care, leading weekly worship services and providing oversight for pastoral volunteers and church groups.

#### Responsibilities

- Visit regularly with residents, offering pastoral care/counseling
- Visit new residents and provide assessment of residents' spiritual needs
- Offer end-of-life support to residents and families as required
- Respond to referrals from staff and share the duties of on-call services as needed
- Train, support and direct the efforts of pastoral volunteers and church groups
- Collaborate with Congregational Outreach Coordinator to engage community clergy and strengthen congregational relationships
- Maintain a regular schedule of worship services
- Plan and implement weekly pastoral groups for residents

# Qualifications

- Ordained clergy with sacramental authority to celebrate Holy Communion
- Demonstrated ability to minister to persons from a broad range of religious backgrounds
- Masters in Divinity from a seminary accredited by the AATS
- 2-5 years pastoral experience in a parish and/or healthcare setting
- Knowledge of gerontological issues and a demonstrated willingness and desire to work with older adults
- Minimum of two units of CPE or training in a related field. One of the units must be in a healthcare setting.

- Knowledge of, and interest in, the ethical issues pertaining to healthcare in general and gerontology in particular
- Ability to work as member of an interdisciplinary healthcare team

# To Apply

Send resume and letter of interest to:

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