## PRAIRIE LAKES HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

## SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

Prairie Lakes Healthcare Social Workers apply principles from the NASW Code of Ethics in their doily work in the healthcare setting. These values outline the standards of excellence our staff provide in the inpatient, home health and hospice, dialysis, cancer center, and ancillary deportments within our facility.

**VALUE:** Service

ETHICAL PRINCIPLE: Helping those in need and addressing social problems

Our social workers apply our knowledge, skills, and abilities to make a difference by addressing social problems in our community and help individuals in need.

**VALUE:** Social Justice

ETHICAL PRINCIPLE: Advocating for and empowering individuals facing social injustice

Our social workers ore adept at connecting individuals to resources and services to address poverty, discrimination, and other forms of oppression, as well as promoting optimal functioning and increasing awareness for unidentified needs.

VALUE: Dignity and Worth of the Person

ETHICAL PRINCIPLE: Respecting the inherent dignity and worth of all individuals

Our social workers promote unconditional acceptance and celebration of diversity and differences, with adherence to the values, ethics, and standards of the profession.

VALUE: Relationships

ETHICAL PRINCIPLE: Emphasizing the value of connectedness to support systems and the community

Our social workers facilitate relationships with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities as a key attribute for emotional wellness and resiliency.

VALUE: Integrity

ETHICAL PRINCIPLE: Demonstrating professional trustworthiness

Our social workers adhere to ethical standards and professional values while fulfilling the mission of social work in every day practice.

**VALUE**: Competence

ETHICAL PRINCIPLE: Promoting proficiency, expertise, and professional development

Our social workers continually apply skills and increase competence through ongoing education to provide the very best service possible to our patients, families, organization, and community.

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