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# SUPERSEDES

# TITLE Social Worker III CLASSIFICATION GRADE 07

# SPECIALTY GRADE 63

### BASIC FUNCTION AND RESPONSIBILITY

Provide social work treatment, individually or in groups, to patients and clients and their families with complex emotional or social problems, and to assume basic consultation, supervisory, teaching, research, program development and/or administrative responsibilities in this assignment.

#### CHARACTERISTIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Prepare psycho-social histories, participate in clinical staff diagnostic and treatment staffing, interpret patients' and clients' and their families' psycho-social functioning and needs, and recommend and plan social treatment methods to meet these needs.

Plan for and provide liaison, coordination and referral services regarding patients and clients and their families.

Provide direct services to include casework, social group work and family therapy as assessed and recommended.

Provide indirect service to patients and clients through responsibility for and participation in program development, teaching and research.

Plan for and provide consultation to medical or clinical service staff and community social agencies regarding the handling of medical-social or other social functioning problems of individual of groups of patients and clients and their families.

Responsible for administrative tasks and functions.

Contribute to the formation of department, hospital or clinic policies affecting patient and client care, training programs and departmental and professional growth.

Participate in departmental or clinic staff meetings and planning sessions and contribute to the solution of department of clinic management problems.

Participate in related research projects.

Participate in the development, strengthening and delivery of needed health and social services.

Train, schedule, assign and evaluate work of support staff.

Assist in the evaluation for grading graduate students in social work medicine and allied specialties.

Write case reports covering on-going social services for inclusion in the patients' or clients' clinical records, maintain statistical records of social service activity.

Attend and participate in courses, meetings, conferences and workshops in attainment of new or advanced social work practice skills.

Maintain effective working relationships with faculty, staff, students and the public

*In addition to the duties and responsibilities noted above, the position description must include statements from*[*UI Health Care Core Values (WECARE)*](https://uihc.org/mission-vision-and-core-values)*for Health Care positions or*[*Universal Competencies*](https://hr.uiowa.edu/careers/competencies/universal-competencies)*for all other positions.*

##### SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Supervision is received from a Social Work Specialist or other designated official.

##### SUPERVISION EXERCISED

Functional and administrative supervision may be exercised over support staff.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

A Master's degree with a major concentration in Social Work is required.

Some (6 months – 1 year) Social Work experience is required.

A license to practice social work in Iowa is required.

Excellent written and verbal communication skills are required.

Some familiarity with social work undergraduate education is desirable.