

Rabbi

DEPARTMENT: Administration

POSITION SUMMARY

The Reutlinger Community Rabbi serves the religious, cultural, and pastoral needs of The Reutlinger Community (TRC) residents and their families. Leads Shabbat and holiday services and rituals as well as provides regular educational instruction and support to the employees of TRC about Jewish law, values, and traditions. Consults and advises on community activities, celebrations, etc., to adhere to Jewish law, practices and values. May provide counseling and support for socio-emotional needs of residents and their families.

POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Provide spiritual, education and religious support to residents and their families.
- Personally meet with each resident and their families to identify religious and spiritual needs. Communicate with the inter-disciplinary team to address the total wellbeing of each resident. May attend care conferences at the request of the resident or family.
- Conduct weekly Shabbat Services and rituals for all areas of the building. This includes remote services accommodating residents with mobility or cognitive issues that cannot physically go to the sanctuary.
- Establish and maintain regularly consistent office hours;
- Adherence to “kosher style” kashrut laws in the dietary operations and confirm that strict kashrut meals are provided to residents requesting same. Conduct routine, documented inspections.
- Conduct special services for all holidays in the Jewish calendar; develops and executes educational and community building activities around the Jewish holidays.
- Conduct memorial services as requested;
- Visit hospitalized residents as needed;
- Maintain a positive relationship with rabbinic and greater Jewish community through various activities, e.g., membership in Jewish community groups, and participation in marketing, fundraising and business development. Serve as liaison to other Jewish programming to access other Jewish events that enhance The Reutlinger’s life enrichment offerings.

- Partner with the Life Enrichment Department to develop Jewish programming for residents of all levels of care.
- Develop and facilitate regular (possibly weekly) educational classes for residents as well as quarterly events for families (examples: end of life planning, grief and loss or current events);
- Present issues expressed by residents and advocate on their behalf;
- Participate in the onboarding of new employees and develop and facilitate monthly educational classes for staff regarding Jewish laws and practices;
- Other related duties as determined by supervisor;
- Compliance with Reutlinger policies and procedures.

QUALIFICATIONS

Education:

Ordination from an accredited rabbinical seminary. Must be a Conservative, Reform, Non-Denominational or Reconstructionist rabbi.

Training and Experience:

- 3+ years' experience as the rabbi of a congregation or other community-based setting or group.
- Acceptance of interfaith and same sex couples in all aspects of Jewish life, including funerals and other life events.
- Experience working collaboratively with lay leadership.
- Experience with counseling and or social work, preferably with older adults.
- Member of Northern California Board of Rabbis.
- Ability to play musical instrument is preferred but not required.

The final candidate must successfully pass The Reutlinger's post offer, pre-employment testing which includes a criminal background check, drug test, COVID test, TB screen test and health screen. All staff, except wait staff and dishwasher positions, must be at least 18 years of age.

The Reutlinger is an Equal Opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status.