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**A SHELTER FOR CANCER FAMILIES NAMES JENNIFER  
BERKO AS NEW MANAGER, CANCER FAMILIES AND MEDIA  
RELATIONS**

**HOUSTON, TX – 4/1/2018 – A Shelter for Cancer Families (ASCF)** names **Jennifer Berko** as Manager of Cancer Families & Media Relations. “For years, Jennifer has been serving ASCF as a volunteer providing support and dignity to cancer families. We couldn’t be more thrilled to tap into her talent full-time as we expand our Cancer Family Navigator program,” says **ASCF President and Chief Executive Officer Missy Bellinger**. “Like most of us at A Shelter for Cancer Families, the Berko family has been personally affected by cancer.”

“I feel like my mother-in-law could have really benefitted from the services provided by A Shelter for Cancer Families. Today, I feel fortunate to work for this amazing organization as a way of honoring her memory,” shares Berko. Prior to serving as a volunteer Cancer Family Navigator for ASCF, Jennifer was a television news anchor, reporter, company spokesperson and healthy lifestyle entrepreneur. “In her new role, Jennifer will use all of her past experience to improve the lives of families affected by cancer,” imparts Bellinger. “Among other things, Jennifer will be responsible for recruiting and training new Cancer Family Navigators as we expand to meet the growing demand for this service. “Jennifer’s exceptional communication skills were just one of many reasons why we recruited her. She truly has a gift and we are grateful that the families we serve will be the beneficiaries of that gift.”

**About A Shelter for Cancer Families (ASCF)**

A Shelter for Cancer Families provides tangible support to families (not just patients) affected by cancer, regardless of age, cancer-type, treatment status or income. All services are provided at no charge. Housing support is based on what out-of-town families affected by cancer need when seeking cancer care in the Texas Medical Center. Navigation services (offered to both families from Houston and those from out-of-town seeking cancer care in the area) help families navigate the cancer landscape, make sense of medical jargon and explore options. ASCF values the time, dignity and privacy of each family member served and demonstrates these values in both work and program design.

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