



UNION JOB DESCRIPTION

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JOB TITLE:	Occupational Therapist	JOB DESCRIPTION NO.:	60023
CLASSIFICATION:	Occupational Therapist P1	GRID/PAY LEVEL:	H-J-P1
COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT:	Health Science Professionals	HSCIS NO.:	38901
UNION:	HSA	JOB/CLASS CODE:	38901
PROGRAM/DEPARTMENT:	Population & Family Health; CY & F Rehab, QA	BENCHMARKS (If Applicable):	
REPORTING TO:	Manager or Designate		
FACILITY/SITE:	QACCH		

JOB SUMMARY:

In accordance with the Vision, Purpose, and Values, and strategic direction of the Vancouver Island Health Authority (Island Health), patient and staff safety is a priority and a responsibility shared by everyone; as such, the requirement to continuously improve quality and safety is inherent in all aspects of this position.

Reporting to the Manager or designate, and within the context of a multi-disciplinary plan for the child and family, provides intervention in relation to occupational performance (self-care, productivity, and leisure). May provide work direction to Physical Medicine Assistants and other caregivers.

Travel may be a requirement of this position. Transportation arrangements must meet the operational requirements of the Vancouver Island Health Authority in accordance with the service assignment and may require the use of a personal vehicle.

TYPICAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Assesses and treats assigned patients (by direct treatment, monitoring, or consultation) within the Occupational Therapy Scope of Practice and according to Professional and Program standards, utilizing an interdisciplinary and family-centred approach to patient care and program related issues.
2. Exchanges information with colleagues and other members of the health care team through records and/or direct consultation; and by attending rounds, clinics, and team conferences, lectures, meetings, contributing where appropriate; establishes and maintains liaison with family and other caregivers concerning the progress of assigned patients.
3. Maintains treatment and progress records in accordance with Professional standards and the QACCH's policies and procedures; contributes to quality assurance through chart audits, program evaluation, and performance evaluation.
4. Provides relevant follow-up as appropriate to children who, according to Professional and Program standards no longer require active intervention.
5. Contributes to staff, family, and community education within the Centre's Programs/ Services and, as appropriate, to programs for occupational therapy students and interns.
6. Maintains and upgrades knowledge of current developments in occupational therapy, new techniques and approaches related to patient care, by reviewing professional literature, consulting with other professionals, and actively participating in relevant educational programs, seminars, courses, and conferences.

7. Completes required records and statistics in accordance with the requirements of the provincial and federal governments as well as the QACCH.
8. Ensures that the environment is free from hazards, and that equipment is safe and in good working order by reporting the need for supplies, equipment, and repairs to Program Director or Senior or by filling in appropriate order forms.
9. Participates in the continuous quality improvement activities of QACCH which may include development, implementation, and evaluation of written procedures and standards, development of assessment forms and client materials, program descriptions and evaluation of clinical activities and services; attends/contributes to Program and Professional meetings.
10. Promotes an understanding of the Occupational Therapy Scope of Practice as described in the CAOT's publications and the QACCH's interpretations on that subject; complies with the Code of Ethics and the Rules of Conduct of the CAOT and the BSCOT.
11. Participates in related research activities when relevant
12. Performs other related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Education, Training And Experience

Graduation from a recognized university program in Occupational Therapy. Current licensure in a practicing category with the College of Health and Care Professionals of BC as an Occupational Therapist. Eligible for membership in the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists (CAOT). Minimum one (1) year of experience in pediatric occupational therapy, or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience. Valid BC Driver's License.

Skills And Abilities

- Demonstrated clinical competency in the field of occupational therapy.
- Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing.
- Demonstrated ability to work with families, young people, and other professionals.
- Demonstrated ability to train and monitor assistants, family members, and other caregivers in carrying out services to the child.
- Demonstrated ability to organize time and responsibilities and to work independently.
- Demonstrated/referenced interpersonal and team skills.
- Demonstrated knowledge and application of occupational therapy in family-centred approach to care.
- Physical ability to carry out the duties of the position.