

THERAPEUTIC RESOURCES

TRAVELING CERTIFIED OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT

Job Title: Traveling Occupational Therapist Assistant

Job Description: The Occupational Therapy Assistant is responsible for providing occupational therapy treatments under the supervision of a qualified Occupational Therapist in accordance with the Plan of Care.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Performs occupational therapy procedures as prescribed by the physician and supervised by a qualified Occupational Therapist.
- Performs variety of therapy procedures on clients as directed by the occupational therapist, including: training in self-care activities (i.e., feeding and dressing) to maximize independence; sensory stimulation techniques to enhance environments/self awareness; use of age appropriate functional activities to promote cognitive, perceptual, fine and gross motor development; therapeutic exercise to increase or maintain range of motion, strengthen muscles and/or improve coordination; positioning, handling and modifications of equipment to facilitate relaxation and optimal functional status; wheelchair mobility programs to promote functional mobility; teaching compensatory techniques to alleviate functional deficits resulting from sensory-motor impairment, quarterly review of joint flexibility under the direct supervision from an Occupational Therapist
- Assists the Occupational Therapist in the evaluation of client progress. Identifies changes in client status and/or response to treatment, utilizes considerable judgment in the interpretation of the situation and client condition, and reports observations to supervisor. Record treatments given, any reactions or responses, and other relevant comments in a timely manner.
- Attends meetings as assigned to discuss client treatment programs.
- Fabricates adaptive equipment as directed by the Occupational Therapist. May assist in the fabrication of splints and be assigned responsibility for monitoring fit, usage, skin care, and condition of splints.
- Instructs motivates, and assists clients in learning and improving functional activities
- Instructs patient and family members on the proper use of assistive devices
- Helps client utilize the resources of their community and family
- Reports changes in the client's condition to the supervising Physical therapist.
- Modifies Plan of Treatment, as authorized by the physician, after subsequent authorization, instruction and supervision by the Occupational Therapist
- Communicates effectively with all members of the interdisciplinary team

QUALIFICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Must have solid knowledge of principles and practices of occupational therapy. Good written and verbal communication skills, ability to develop good interpersonal relationships with patients, staff and other healthcare providers.

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:

- Certification and license as required by state of employment as an occupational therapy assistant.
- Minimum one year experience as a Occupational Therapy Assistant

WORK CONDITIONS:

- Work settings include a variety of healthcare facilities, such as outpatient treatment centers and clinics.
- Bending, carrying, climbing, lifting, pushing-pulling, reaching sitting, standing, and walking required.

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Date