

Developmental Center Occupational Therapist



Hours 32 hours/week; M-Th 7:30am-4:30pm

Reports to Director of Therapy

Position Overview

Developmental Center Occupational Therapists are responsible for providing transdisciplinary model occupational therapy services to children with special needs at Little Light House. Must be a licensed occupational therapist and function within the transdisciplinary (TD) philosophy and team of Little Light House.

The Occupational Therapist (OT) clearly understands and embraces that they are a part of Little Light House, a Christian ministry with Biblical core values, whose mission is to glorify God by improving the quality of life for children with special needs, their families, and communities.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

- > Performs OT assessments and provides therapy interventions in individual and group activities for children with special needs per LLH policies and timelines
- > Develops appropriate therapeutic goals, in conjunction with the families, for each student assigned
- > Establishes and provides occupational therapy intervention consistent with transdisciplinary (TD) functions and approach
- > Consults with classroom staff and parents regarding equipment, sensory, behavioral, self-care, fine motor, and other therapeutic needs of students
- > Models for classroom staff therapeutic, sensory, and behavioral interventions, therapeutic small group activities, and proper use of equipment in a TD manner
- > Provides in-service training to staff, volunteers, and parents when requested or as needed
- > Collaborates with other (TD) team members regarding the total therapeutic needs of students
- > Designs and directs classroom fine motor activities that are aligned with the curriculum
- > Consults, as needed, with outside therapists, professionals or agencies that are providing assistance to a particular student, to ensure coordination of programs
- > Completes all paperwork assigned in a timely and excellent manner
- > Advocates for children with special needs to the surrounding academic community through teaching and collaborating on therapeutic projects that further the children's development and independence
- > Participates in TD and LLH task forces and committees as assigned
- > Other duties as needed or required

- > Daily attendance at Flock
- > Attendance at weekly meetings
- > Attendance at 2 required CS events a year (i.e., monthly family gatherings)
- > Attendance at LLH fundraising events
- > Attend workshops/seminars as requested, CS In-services, and relevant conferences

Required Qualifications

- > Licensed in the State of Oklahoma as an Occupational Therapist
- > 1+ years of experience working with children with developmental disabilities
- > Holds current CPR certification
- > Maintains professional license, required continuing education units
- > Possesses current and effective knowledge and skills in:
 - > Neuromotor development and child development
 - > Sensory Processing
 - > Assessment and documentation
 - > Adaptive equipment and assistive technology
 - > Occupational therapy procedures and interventions
 - > Interpersonal relationships
 - > Supervision of assigned employees, students, or volunteers
 - > Transdisciplinary teamwork
- > Maintains confidential information using discretion and judgment
- > Support for and participation in the Little Light House transdisciplinary team approach to Special education
- > Excellent skills in communication, learning new tasks, teamwork, organization, initiative, self-discipline, and self-directed completion of job
- > Works independently and cooperatively as a team member with all LLH staff
- > Incorporate a welcoming and teaching attitude towards guests, student interns and others who come to learn from the Little Light House team
- > Ability to lift, pull, push and/or carry 40 pounds across a room

Supervision Received

- > Reports to the Director of Therapy

Supervision Exercised

- > Oversees and implements the occupational therapy intervention for students in classrooms
- > Supervises and instructs volunteers in assigned OT area
- > Supervises and instructs LLH staff in occupational therapy interventions during their assigned time at Little Light House
- > Interviews/selects candidates for OT internship positions; Trains and interacts with professional and career students regarding OT strategies and interventions during onsite clinical experiences