

Occupational Therapist (Paediatric)

Position Description

Title:	Occupational Therapist
Reporting To:	Director, Independent Kids Occupational Therapy
Award:	Health Professionals and Support Award 2010 Remuneration conditions are negotiable: - contract position (percentage of service fee); or - salaried employee (competitive hourly rate)
Location:	7 Wilks Road Lenah Valley, TAS, 7004
Job Type:	TBD

Purpose:

- To assess and treat children presenting with disabilities, developmental delays or learning difficulties

Primary Tasks:

- Assess and establish programs for children and young adults predominantly aged between 3 and 21 years, presenting with a diagnosis of Autism, Global Developmental Delay, Developmental Co-ordination Disorder and neurological issues
- Work within the requirements of the NDIS Quality and Safeguard Commission
- Collaboration with a health professional team - speech pathology, special education and psychology, to provide a holistic, client focussed service
- Provide high quality written reports of occupational therapy assessments and programs
- Liaison with health and allied health professionals and representatives from other relevant major services including NDIS, Early Childhood Intervention Service, schools and childcare settings
- Maintain a client-centred, flexible approach for the establishment of goals and treatment plans with children and their families, and ongoing evaluation of such programs
- Work closely with and provide advice, consultancy and support to parents, teachers and early childhood staff in the implementation of occupational therapy programs
- Maintain accurate client records and ensure confidentiality of records and information in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988*
- Perform services at the practice, travel to schools, childcare centres, and private residences
- Other duties at the discretion of the director, Independent Kids

Pre-employment Conditions:

- The person nominated for this position must satisfy a pre-employment check, namely a National Police Record check prior to commencement in the role

Essential:

- Graduate of an approved school of Occupational Therapy
- Registered with AHPRA
- Working with Vulnerable People Card
- Registered with Medicare
- Professional Indemnity Insurance
- Minimum 3 years' practical experience in paediatrics
- Excellent interpersonal, communication and team skills with a proficiency in problem solving
- Proven ability to work autonomously and as part of a professional team
- Proven ability in prioritising and managing time
- Current motor vehicle licence

Highly Desirable:

- Flexible, adaptable and disciplined work ethic
- Capacity to work outside of normal hours if required
- Innovative and creative in thought process

Successful Applicant Must:

- Ensure work practice is in accordance with relevant regulatory, privacy and OHS legislation and company policies and procedures
- Attend to work commitments in an efficient, effective and safe manner
- Work under the direction of Independent Kids Occupational Therapy director and in a spirit that encourages and promotes a positive and productive work environment and relationships
- Report any incidents of concern to the director

Working Environment:

- Independent Kids Occupational Therapy is committed to the principles of equity, diversity, teamwork and OHS, and is a smoke free work environment

Level of Responsibility:

- Responsible for own professional development
- Continually update your knowledge of industry trends to provide an informed and thorough service to customers, and achieve best practice in contemporary occupational therapy service