



The Link
Youth and Family Supports

Occupational Therapist

About The Link: Youth and Family Supports

For more than 90 years, The Link has helped youth and families on a journey to healing, hope, and better lives. The organization is dedicated to walking alongside children, youth, and families as an inclusive community, strengthening and empowering a sense of being, pride, and purpose. With over 15 diverse programs, The Link has a community of caring staff that work together to provide support through a 24-hour crisis line, youth resource centers, emergency shelters, mobile crisis teams, specialized foster care, healing homes, job readiness supports, and Skills4Life. With a strong foundation within the community and a focus on connection, unity, and compassion, the organization provides a vital link for youth and families in the province of Manitoba.

About the Opportunity

Summary

The Occupational Therapist in the Clinical Program is responsible for direct client intervention, assessments, intervention plan development, consultation, therapeutic programming, and caregiver training

Primary Responsibilities

Assessment

- Completes occupational therapy assessments of referred clients to identify strengths and needs
- Utilizes standardized testing (if necessary) as a component of the assessment process

Direct Service and Treatment

- Provides direct occupational therapy services as needed to assist clients in gaining skills for everyday life, school, and relationships
- Supports clients to identify and work toward realistic goals
- Manages client caseload and prioritizes appropriately
- Meets regularly with the clinical team for collaboration and planning
- Assesses the need for therapeutic groups and implements accordingly
- Assists the team in problem-solving to address client issues
- Facilitates topic-specific training sessions as needed
- Assists with service navigation and referral to community resources as needed

Continuity of Care

- Engages caregivers and care team in the assessment and treatment process
- Attends staff meetings and contributes to the overall functioning of the agency by assuming appropriate additional responsibilities as needed
- Maintains appropriate clinical documentation and fulfills administrative duties
- Shares relevant information with and provides consultation to collateral agencies such as Child and Family Service Agencies and schools
- Works within the context of the interdisciplinary team to implement direct, consultative or medicated models of service.

Professional Development

- Maintains professional development by attending workshops, reading, and clinical consultation on a regular basis
- Meets the yearly licensing requirements of the College of Occupational Therapists in Manitoba
- Performs all duties professionally, ethically and with integrity

- Familiarizes themselves with social policy, issues, trends and practices in the field, as well as needs, gaps or opportunities that may improve the lives of persons with youth/children, or which promote social justice, equality or accessibility.

Essential Requirements

- Expertise in child and adolescent mental health
- Knowledge of the child welfare system in Manitoba
- Experience working with children/adolescents and their families
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work as a team member and cooperatively with other disciplines
- Ability to practice independently and complete tasks with minimal supervision
- Has worked within trauma-informed, harm-reduction and person-centred frameworks
- Knowledge of Indigenous languages and cultures would be considered an asset

Education (Degree/Diploma/Certificate)

- Baccalaureate or Clinical master's degree in occupational therapy
- Registration is required with the College of Occupational Therapists of Manitoba (COTM) with the incumbent's name entered in the practicing register or the provisional register as an examination candidate. *(Where the incumbent is provisionally registered as an examination candidate, they must pass the examination required by COTM during the next available exam offering to maintain employment with The Link)*

Conditions of Employment

- Current First-aid/CPR certification
- ASIST Certificate (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) and De-escalation training or willingness to obtain the same
- Current certification in either DLE (The Purposeful Use of Daily Life Events) or TCS (Therapeutic Crisis Solutions) or willingness to obtain the same
- Current satisfactory Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Search, a clear Child Abuse Registry check with acceptable Prior Contact checks, and a clear Adult Abuse Registry check.

****Valid driver's license and use of a personal vehicle is a requirement for this position****

Accommodation is available for applicants with disabilities upon request. If you are contacted by The Link regarding a job opportunity, please know that you are welcome to request accommodation at any point in the process. All information received regarding accommodation will be kept confidential.

Hours of Work: 35 hours per week

Work Location: 175 Mayfair Avenue, Winnipeg, MB

Salary Range: \$34.00 to \$35.00 per hour depending on qualification. Includes vacation, paid sick leave, benefit plan, and pension plan

To apply to this opportunity, submit a cover letter and resume (in Word or PDF format) at humanresources@thelinkmb.ca or please visit <https://thelinkmb.easyapply.co/>