



MedStar National Rehabilitation Hospital

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY FIELDWORK OBJECTIVES

1. To provide a comprehensive program within a rehabilitation setting that utilizes a team approach to maximize an individual's independent functioning and participation in daily life activities.
2. To develop, restore, or improve required skills, habits, and roles for independent, meaningful, and productive living.
3. To provide assessment and treatment of occupational performance in the areas of independent living/daily living skills, pre-vocational/work adjustment skills, play/leisure skills, and social skills.
4. To provide assessment and treatment of performance components including neuromuscular, sensory integration, cognitive, and psychosocial skills.
5. To provide assessment and treatment in the areas of therapeutic adaptations including orthotics/prosthetics and assistive/adaptive equipment.
6. To provide assessment, treatment, and education in the area of prevention in order to minimize debilitation.
7. To participate in patient and family education programs and provide them with the necessary information and resources for independent living.
8. To participate in interdisciplinary and individual research activities.
9. To participate in continuing education, training and self-study to assure competent Occupational Therapy services.
10. To participate in the education of society, consumers of health services, legislators, and other health care providers on matters within the purview of Occupational Therapy.
11. To evaluate, develop, and refine services, the body of knowledge, and the skills which underlie the practice of Occupational Therapy.
12. To provide state of the art and quality Occupational Therapy services within a system that recognizes the need for cost containment and productivity.
13. To participate in quality assurance and program evaluation to assure competent Occupational Therapy services.
14. To function as a consistent cooperative member of the interdisciplinary team of the National Rehabilitation Hospital, and to ensure the maintenance of the approach in the delivery of the patient care activities.
15. To conduct all activities of the Occupational Therapy Service in accordance with legal and professional standards established for certification, accreditation, protection of patients, and professional staff rights.
16. To abide by the Principles of Occupational Therapy Ethics of the American Occupational Therapy Association.