

Occupational Therapist Assistant

A. Job Purpose and Function

1. Assess and create individualized sensory plans for youth. Plan should address sensory deficits to improve the youth's well-being and quality of life.
2. Incorporate resident sensory plan for each youth into the resident's treatment plan. Document progress notes in each resident's monthly and discharge reports.
3. Submit input on resident's sensory plan weekly during progress review.
4. Select and adapt the appropriate occupational therapy treatment model, method and approach to direct each youth's sensory diet intervention.
5. Apply interventions to maximize safety and performance in activities of each youth's daily living in both their school and residential living settings. These skills should be transferrable once a youth leaves placement.
6. Work jointly with Badlands Learning Center, clinicians, and residential living staff to best treat each youth.
7. Guide and educate treatment team and residential staff on sensory skills treatment.
8. Observe, document and report on progress of youth's long-term and short-term sensory goals.
9. Provide youth with individual treatment.
10. Provide youth with group therapy treatment.
11. Participate in a minimum of 20 hours of continuing education or in-service training annually.
12. Enforce and comply with policies and rules in Home On The Ranges Residential Living Manual and Policies and Procedures Manual. Enforce and comply with licensing standards, accreditation standards, clients' rights, and all other safety and rules of conduct.
13. Consistently demonstrates trauma informed principles and practices in your interactions with staff and residents. This includes maintaining a position of interpersonal transparency and using a RICH (respect, information, connection, hope) format to address conflicts with co-workers and the youth served at HOTR.

B. Requirements

1. Must be a certified occupational therapy assistant.
2. Ability to work with trauma youth who present with different types of mental health conditions.
3. Excellent interpersonal communication skills.
4. Work as part of a team to improve the overall quality of life for youth who have experienced trauma.