

POSITION DESCRIPTION

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST (Clinical Therapies)

DIVISION or PROGRAM:	Home Care	AWARD AND LEVEL (if applicable):	Health Professionals and Support Services Award 2010 – Health Professional Employee – level 2
DATE OF APPROVAL:	November 2019	APPROVED BY (Position Title):	Executive Manager Clinical Therapist

PURPOSE OF THE POSITION

To conduct age appropriate functional and standardised assessments to clients across the lifespan. In conjunction with the client and/ or their carer identify goals for intervention and therapy for improvements in independence and performance that promotes each clients quality and enjoyment of life, potential and positive experiences within the community.

KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES

- Work within a multidisciplinary model to provide assessment and intervention for individuals , in conjunction with families and carers when appropriate to address occupational performance issues.
- Conduct functional, standardised and non-standardised assessments relevant to the clients age, goals and diagnosis and or disability
- Work in collaboration with other team members to provide support and a consultative role in your area of expertise to the team and families as required
- Plan, implement and evaluate individual developmental therapy programs and provide timely written assessment reports, including appropriate recommendations
- Engage with external provides in the prescription of assistive technology and home modifications to provide comprehensive recommendations with quotes from recommended suppliers.
- Empower and enable clients, families and carers to access both specialist and mainstream community supports
- Liaise with and provide professional advice to specialist early intervention, mainstream and school transition services involved with the child and family.
- Liaise with and provide professional advice to the Homecare team engaged with the older person
- Participate in multidisciplinary care as appropriate to the client.
- Follow all CatholicCare and program policy, procedures and processes
- Maintain a case load ensuring all plans are current, up-to-date and reviewed in a timely manner
- Provision of information to clients and families about disability and referrals where required
- Attendance at and participation in team meetings, interagency meetings and professional development
- Undertake activities under the direction of the manager for ongoing expansion of the clinical therapies program.
- Other duties as directed from time to time

KEY COMMUNICATIONS

This role works closely with the Clinical therapies and Home Care team (to receive guidance and exchange information), and clients and their families to build supportive relationships, with in the confines of external funding guidelines.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE (Selection Criteria)

1.	Ability to undertake the duties of the role in accordance with CatholicCare's Mission, Vision and Values
2.	Qualification in Bachelor of Applied Science (Occupational Therapy), or equivalent and registered with AHPRA
3.	Hold Working with Children Check Clearance Verification Number and demonstrate an understanding of Child Protection Legislation
4.	Experience working with children, or adults and aged care clients
5.	Experience in Equipment prescription and Home Modifications.
6.	Clear understanding of NDIS or Aged Care funding models
7.	Current NSW driver licence and use of registered motor vehicle.

* The Employer reserves the right to vary this position description in response to its changing needs.