



Connections WA

Counselling and Psychology

JOB TITLE	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST
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REPORTS TO	MELANIE STEPHEN (Senior Occupational Therapist)

ABOUT US

Connections WA is a growing multidisciplinary private practice in Port Kennedy, Perth, WA. We offer services in Counselling, Psychology, Educational Psychology, Occupational, Speech and Play Therapy. We support children, young people and adults. The team at Connections WA are often on the lookout for highly experienced practitioners who have an interest in child development, and neurodiversity and who are committed to making a difference in the lives of others in our community.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position purpose *Helping families and individuals flourish by using a collaborative, holistic and innovative evidence-based occupational therapy practice.*

About the role

- Part time (opportunity to increase hours)
- Based in Port Kennedy, with telepractice and community visits
- You co-create your role – chose your working hours/days, control over your calendar and chose projects that spark your passion
- In-house training and learning opportunities from highly experienced clinicians
- Generous employee benefits and excellent work-life balance

Main tasks

- Conducting standardised and non-standardised assessments and writing functional capacity assessment reports
- Plan, implement and evaluate individual occupational therapy programs, primarily focusing on supporting the development of emotional regulation
- Work collaboratively with clients, families, support staff, and other allied health services (psychology, counselling, speech and play therapy and alternative therapies)
- Complete documentation in line with professional standards
- Assisting parents/families to develop understanding and knowledge of the NDIS to support their ability to make informed decisions
- Assessing home and school environments, prescribing emotional regulation aids, equipment and modifications as required, within funding guidelines/family finances
- Fulfil other duties as required by management and other department personnel as requested/required.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

- Required personal attributes, skills, and competencies**
- **Customer service focused:** Committed to providing exceptional customer service with a professional, empathetic, and sensitive approach
 - **Communication:** the ability to communicate clearly and concisely, varying communication style depending upon the audience
 - **Teamwork:** willingness to work with varied allied health professionals, providing education on the OT role and learning the roles of others
 - **Time management/organisation:** accomplish client tasks and business tasks effectively within time frame given, and carry out administrative duties within portfolio in an efficient and timely manner
 - **Initiative:** Flexible, with excellent attention to details. Innovative thinker for strategic business development and growth
 - **Therapeutic use of self:** Able to appropriately use own experiences to connect with, support and empower clients and families
 - **Self-Care:** Committed to maintaining own health and wellbeing within a supportive workplace
- Qualifications and clearances**
- Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Occupational Therapy
 - Current Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (**AHRPA**) registration
 - Current First Aid certificate and current CPR competency
 - NDIS Worker screening, Police clearance, Working With Children Card
 - Professional development in areas contributing to emotional regulation both within and outside of OT role (e.g. primitive reflexes, mindfulness training)
 - Valid Australian driver's licence and willing to use own vehicle
 - Current COVID and Flu vaccinations
- Desired experience**
- Experience working with children, teens and adults in the disability and/or psychosocial sector
 - Experience competing sensory profiles
 - Experience completing emotional regulation/psychosocial interventions
 - Experience in delivering interventions across clinical and community settings
 - Fluent with NDIS policies and procedures
- Other**
- *Use of Microsoft 365 (Outlook, OneDrive)*
 - *Willing to become proficient with our Connections WA client management system software Halaxy*
- How to apply**
- Please send a copy of your CV and contact details to info@connections.wa.com.au
 - A covering letter and selection criteria is not required
 - Interviews will be granted as soon as possible

This job description serves to illustrate the scope and responsibilities of the post. It is not intended to be exhaustive description of the role and may change to meet the overall objectives of this growing practice. You will be expected to perform other job-related tasks requested by management and as necessitated by the development of this role and the development of the business.