

Responsibilities:

Plans and administer occupational/hand therapy treatments for patients referred by qualified physicians. Restores patient's function, alleviates pain, and prevents disabilities by planning and administering medically prescribed physical or occupational hand therapy.

Duties:

- Meets the patient's goals and needs and provides quality care by assessing and interpreting evaluations and test results; determining therapy treatment plans in consultation with physicians or by prescription.
- Helps patient accomplish treatment plan and accept therapeutic devices by administering manual exercises; instructing, encouraging, and assisting patients in performing activities, such as non-manual exercises, functional activities, and daily-living activities and in using assistive and supportive devices.
- Fabricates braces, splints, hand/wrist orthotics to support hand therapy treatments.
- Administers therapy treatments by initiating manual techniques; applying physical agents; utilizing hydrotherapy tanks and whirlpool baths, moist packs, and ultrasound machines; directing treatments given by aides, technicians, and assistants.
- Assures continuation of therapeutic plan following discharge by designing home exercise programs; instructing patients, families, and caregivers in home exercise programs; recommending and/or providing assistive equipment; recommending outpatient or home health follow-up programs.
- Documents patient care services by charting in patient and department records.
- Communicate therapy goals and progress and importance of maintaining the plan of care to all patients.
- Maintains patient confidence and protects clinic operations by keeping information confidential.
- Maintains safe and clean working environment by complying with procedures, rules, and regulations; and protects patients and employees by adhering to infection-control policies and protocols.
- Maintains professional and technical knowledge by attending educational workshops; reviewing professional publications; establishing personal networks; participating in professional societies.
- Complies with federal, state, and local legal and professional requirements by studying existing and new legislation; anticipating future legislation; enforcing adherence to requirements; advising management on needed actions.

Skills and Qualifications:

Kentucky Occupational Therapy License
Bachelor/Master Degree in Occupational Therapy
CPR Certified
First Aide Certified

Signature

Date