

Role	<b>Senior Grade - Occupational Therapist</b>
Duration of Post	Full Time Permanent
Location	Dublin South, Kildare and West Wicklow (CHO7)
Details of Service	<p>The Children's Disability Network Team Lead Agencies incorporating CRC, Enable Ireland, the HSE, Kare and Stewarts Care have joined together as a Consortium for the CHO7 area to recruit for a number of Healthcare Professionals.</p> <p><i>Children's Disability Network Teams are inter-disciplinary teams of Healthcare Professionals who work with children and young people (0-18 years) with complex needs, providing a Family Centred service as close to the child/young person's home as possible.</i></p> <p><i>Children's Disability Network Teams provide a range of universal, targeted and specialised supports for children/young people with complex needs arising from disability. In line with Slainte Care the Children's Disability Network Teams also work closely with Primary Care and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services to provide integrated care services. The Children's Disability Network Manager provides leadership and guidance for each team.</i></p>
Job Purpose	<p><i>To work as a Senior Grade Occupational Therapist in line with team service plans and objectives and within established professional standards, guidelines and policy.</i></p> <p><i>To support assessment and interventions in line with principles of Children's Disability Network Teams.</i></p> <p><i>To work as part of the Children's Disability Network Team to provide therapeutic services to children and young people (0 -18 years) with a range of complex needs arising from a disability and whom are living within the Community Health Organisation. There will be a strong emphasis on interdisciplinary team working and family centred practice as per the principles of Progressing Disabilities for Children and Young People.</i></p>

Key Duties and Responsibilities

**Clinical Duties**

- Work as a member of an Interdisciplinary Team.
- Provide professional supervision to staff grade Occupational Therapist on the team
- Facilitate the placement of and supervise student Occupational Therapist
- Be responsible for the maintenance of standards of practice of self and staff appointed to clinical / designated area(s).
- Be responsible for managing own caseload and for assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation of treatment programmes for service users according to service standards.
- Document all assessments, intervention plans, progress notes, and reports in accordance with professional standards
- Collaborate skilfully with children and their families to identify goals.
- Maintain quality standards of practice and participate in quality assurance and clinical audit as appropriate
- Promote a culture that values equality, diversity, and respect in the workplace.
- Participate in teams, communicating and working in cooperation with other team members.
- Undertake a key worker/key contact role as required

**Education & Training**

- Contribute to and participate in OT and interdisciplinary education sessions.
- Engage in the education of colleagues, student OTs, Service Users, families, teachers, SNAs and other health care professionals.
- Attend mandatory training.
- Provide education and training to parents, carers and schools staff supporting the child to participate in their environments fully.

**Quality, and Risk, Health & Safety Management**

- Comply with the policies, procedures, and safe professional practice of the Irish Healthcare System by adhering to relevant legislation, regulations, and standards
- Work in a safe manner with due care and attention to the safety of self and others
- Be aware of risk management issues, identify risks and take appropriate action

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To be fully aware of and compliant with current child protection and safeguarding legislation and local policies and procedures</li> <li>• Promote a safe working environment in accordance with Health and Safety legislation.</li> <li>• Work in a safe manner with due care and attention to the safety of self and others.</li> <li>• Have a working knowledge of the Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA) Standards and Guidance as they apply to the role.</li> </ul> <p><i>This job description is a guide to the general range of duties assigned to the post holder. It is intended to be neither definitive nor restrictive and is subject to periodic review with the employee concerned</i></p>
<p>Qualifications &amp; Experience</p>	<p><b><u>Essential Criteria</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy Studies or equivalent qualification.</li> <li>• Membership or eligibility for membership of the Irish Association of Occupational Therapists</li> <li>• Minimum of three years satisfactory post qualification experience</li> <li>• Experience of working with children with complex needs</li> <li>• Strong interpersonal, communication skills and command of English</li> <li>• Provide proof of Statutory Registration on the Occupational Therapists Register maintained by the Occupational Therapists Registration Board at CORU or eligible for registration.</li> <li>• Maintain annual registration on the appropriate register at CORU.</li> </ul>