



POSITION DESCRIPTION

PHYSIOTHERAPIST- CARPENTRIA KIDS ALLIED HEALTH

Level and Salary Range	NTG Professional stream P2/P3 \$78,097 to \$108,126
Job Type	3 year contract, full time
Reports to	Team Leader Carpentaria Kids
Liases internally with	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Client Services Manager• Clinical and Quality Leader• Senior HR Advisor• Chief Finance Officer and Senior Finance Officer• Executive Assistant• Other Allied Health Professional
Liases externally with	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Families• National Disability Insurance Agency• NT Department of Health and NT Department of Education• Health Services• External providers, including Coordinators of Supports and Client Services Managers• External partners
Context Statement	Carpentaria Kids provide therapy services within a transdisciplinary, early intervention framework using a developmentally orientated, family centred model of practice. Central to this evidence based model is that therapy supports child development best within the relationship between children and their caregivers.
Purpose of the Position	To provide Physiotherapy and key worker services to children aged birth to 18 years with developmental difficulties.
Tasks and Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide evidence-based physiotherapy interventions for a wide range of neurodevelopmental conditions including cerebral palsy, global developmental delay, epilepsy, spinal muscular atrophy, genetic and metabolic conditions, autism spectrum disorder and various syndromes.• Work collaboratively with families to assess, plan, implement and review targeted and meaningful developmental therapy interventions within a transdisciplinary key worker model or multidisciplinary model.• Engage families within the Carpentaria Kids relationship based service model to scaffold and enhance therapeutic outcomes and parental play skills that support development.• Liaise closely with team members including occupational therapists, psychologists and speech pathologists to meet the therapeutic goals of the child and family. This may include joint therapy sessions or consultations.• Liaise closely with key stakeholders such as childcare centres, schools and relevant medical professionals to ensure timely and co-ordinated provision of services for the child and family within their community.• Utilise appropriate standardised assessment tools for the purposes of service intake, goal evaluation, and monitoring of growth/development over time.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilise assess, and prescribe appropriate equipment, splints and assistive devices as indicated for the child's musculoskeletal and respiratory management, function and participation. • Maintain accurate and up to date documentation including clinical notes and reports in accordance with professional standards and relevant legislation including the Disability Act. • Attendance and contribution to team and organisational meetings. This may include the provision of in-services and participating in quality and service development activities. • Commitment to continuous professional development including participation in regular clinical supervision, being a part of local clinical networks, keeping up to date with relevant research and attending professional development events/activities. • Adherence to Carpentaria Disability Services and Carpentaria Kids Early Childhood Developmental Services policies and procedures.
Essential Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tertiary level qualification in physiotherapy. • Current registration with the Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency (AHPRA). • Minimum 2 years experience working in a paediatric physiotherapy setting with the ability to demonstrate clinical competency within the primary responsibilities described above. • Experience working with children and families from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. • Strong interpersonal and written communication skills. • Strong computer literacy in Microsoft applications and Apple applications. • Current Ochre Card, Criminal History Check, First Aid Certificate and NT Drivers Licence.
Preferred Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration as an Approved Prescriber with the Northern Territory Disability Equipment Program (or ability to obtain). • Relevant post graduate qualifications.
Behaviours Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approachability • Collaboration • Empathy • Ability to consult and collaborate with team members. • Use enthusiastic and creative encouragement. • Build trust within the team.

Authorised by COO:

Date:

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