



The Barrie & Community Family Health Team (BCFHT) is one of the largest family health teams in Ontario. We are comprised of Physicians, Registered Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Dietitians, Pharmacists, Diabetes and Respiratory Educators, Mental Health Counsellors, Social Worker, Occupational Therapist and an Administrative team. Our Team is focused on improving access to comprehensive, patient-centered, team-based primary health care, which supports self-management, emphasizes health promotion and disease prevention, and enhances the management of individuals with chronic diseases through programs that are well linked with other local and community services.

The BCFHT is currently searching for a:

## **Occupational Therapist** **Full-Time, 18 month contract Approx.**

The Occupational Therapist works as part of a comprehensive team to provide excellent care to patients in the School Success Program. Care is provided using a multidisciplinary team approach, including social work, nursing, occupational therapy, physician and Pediatrician support. Through planning, assessment, teaching and care coordination, the Occupational Therapist will assist children (and families) who are struggling in school and referred to the School Success program. The Occupational Therapist also establishes strong communication pathways and connections between patients, family physicians, specialists, schools and other community resources. This will be a rewarding opportunity for anyone looking to make a difference for children and families, within a collaborative work environment.

### **Main Responsibilities**

- Conduct standardized assessments and interventions with school age children, in order to identify and address psychological, social, and/or environmental factors that can affect functioning, within a multidisciplinary team
- Conduct functional assessments for school accommodations
- Provide education and support for parents/guardians and teachers
- Assess and coach parent and primary school age children in strategies that could help with self-regulation using sensory-based tools
- Assess fine and gross motor needs
- Provide consultation and recommendations to families and schools for school and equipment recommendations
- Navigate children and families to community resources
- Maintain accurate records of patients' therapy using electronic medical records
- Develop and facilitate group education sessions, as needed
- Working with the program nurse, social worker, paediatricians and clinical managers to continually meet the changing needs of the organization and the patients

### **Education, Skills and Requirements**

- Active registration with the College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario, experience preferred, new graduates welcome to apply
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with physicians, interdisciplinary healthcare providers and other community partners
- Demonstrated clinical reasoning skills and excellent assessment and therapeutic skills
- Experience working with pediatric patients and families preferred, who come from various levels of socio-economic status
- Comfortable providing home and/or school visit assessments and conducting community outreach

- Valid driver's license, access to a vehicle and willingness to travel to conduct home and community visits within Barrie & area community (urban and rural)
- Ability to work independently without direct occupational therapy supervision
- Demonstrated communication skills and problem solving abilities
- Experience with electronic medical records preferred and MS Office (Excel, Word, Outlook)
- Training in the ALERT Program / Sensory-motor based paediatric intervention would be an asset
- It is a condition of employment that you receive the necessary vaccinations to protect against COVID-19, or any similar infectious diseases, which are recommended by governmental and public health authorities. The BCFHT will comply with the Ontario Human Rights Code with respect to any exemption requests

#### **Additional Job Requirements:**

- Must adhere to all BCFHT Policies and Procedures
- Must be legally entitled to work in Canada
- Must be able to travel within the community

#### **How to Apply:**

Qualified applicants are asked to forward their cover letter and resume to [careers@bcfht.ca](mailto:careers@bcfht.ca). For more information on our team please visit our website at [www.barriefht.ca](http://www.barriefht.ca). We thank all applicants for their interest in BCFHT, however, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

*The Barrie and Community Family Health Team supports diversity, equity and a workplace free from harassment and discrimination. We encourage applications from all qualified candidates, including women, visible minorities, aboriginal peoples and persons with a disability. Personal information contained in applications will be used for recruitment purposes and collected as per Freedom of Information (F.O.I.) And Protection of Privacy Act, 1987.*

*The Barrie and Community Family Health Team is committed to improving access and opportunities for individuals with disabilities in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. If you require a specific accommodation during the application, interview or recruitment stage, please contact our HR Coordinator by phone at 705-721-0370 x 2119, by fax at 705-725-4708 or by email at [careers@bcfht.ca](mailto:careers@bcfht.ca) noting **Accessibility Inquiry** in the subject line, in order for appropriate accommodations to be made.*