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Objective

To provide quality Occupational Therapy Service and Consultation to the community. To participate in the educational development of colleagues and paraprofessionals.

Qualifications

Registered Occupational Therapist, well-organized, dedicated and sensitive with excellent communication skills. Member of O.S.O.T and the College of Occupational Therapists. Highly motivated, accustomed to meeting and overcoming challenges. A.D.P. authorizer.

Have taken an interest in the training and development of O.T. students for many years. Have also developed and delivered training programs for professionals and paraprofessionals. Have experience in mentoring colleagues and Management .

Education

1969 Physical and Occupational Therapy Diploma, University of Toronto
1969 Internships - Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital, Toronto ON
Lions Gate General Hospital, Vancouver BC
Henderson General Hospital, Hamilton ON
Calgary General Hospital, Calgary AB

Experience

2000 - 2009 Occupational Therapist, Sole Owner of O.T.I.S. Ltd.

Contracting to Therapy Health Care, Burlington, ON.

ÿ Currently providing **O.T.Consultation and Rx** as an Independent Contractor for clients referred by Halton and Hamilton CCAC

ÿ Currently providing **O.T.Consultation and Rx** for private clients

ÿ Have Handled **Administrative duties** part time as a **Manager** and have been a **Clinical Leader**

ÿ Have provided services to **client's involved in motor vehicle accidents**

ÿ Teach **Back Education Seminars** to Private Health Care Agencies

Providing Private O.T. Consultations in the community through O.T.I.S.

Margo Conlon & Associates Ltd., Guelph ON.

ÿ Assessed and treated clients involved in motor vehicle accidents

ÿ Provided services as an Independent contractor for 10 months in 2006

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2000 -2002 Occupational Therapist , Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital, Burlington

ÿ **Seating and Mobility Consultant** for Manual and Power wheelchairs, for standard off the shelf seating and custom seating as required

ÿ Organized and set up a Seating Clinic

ÿ Co-ordinated the assessment process with the vendors and the clinic's O.T. Assistant

- Communicated verbally and in written form to both the referring source and the client's caregivers
- Applied for ADP funding and co-ordinated funding from Community agencies
- Completed the assessment process and/or the dispensing process of new systems in the client's home or in the LTC facility when required

1997-2000 Business Development Co-ordinator, Shoppers Home Health Care Doncaster

- Assisted in the development of rehabilitation business throughout Canada.
- Was involved in the planning and implementation of an education program for mobility and sales consultants throughout Ontario.
- Developed partnerships with the Health Care Community.
- Created and co-ordinated a highly successful trade show, which offered education and awareness to all health care professionals, funding agencies and paraprofessionals.

1987-1997 Sales Consultant - Durable Medical Equipment, Therapy Supplies

- Introduced and implemented a pilot project for the training of Occupational Therapy students from McMaster University in 1993. Collaborated on, and presented a paper to Physio and Occupational Therapists which documented the success of this project.
- Established a reputation as a Seating and Mobility Specialist from Mississauga to Stratford, Welland to Georgetown.
- I was a team member with the Willett Seating Clinic in Paris, Ontario.
- Clients from nursing homes, schools, home, group homes, and in hospital were serviced to address the simple to very complex needs.
- Acted as a consultant to Occupational Therapists to determine needs for overhead ceiling lifts, porch lifts bathroom aids, etc.

1982-1987 Occupational Therapist - Contract Position, Halton Regional Health Services, Home Care

- Offered hands-on health care services for varied health disorders and age groups within the Oakville and Burlington areas.
- Provided service for three nursing homes and several senior residences.
- Recommended solutions for access and mobility issues. Trained for independence or offered caregiver solutions in dressing, eating, washing, and toileting.
- Responsible for keeping daily records. Acted as a consultant to Insurance Companies, The Department of Veteran Affairs, and Vocational Rehabilitation Services for funding.
- Maintained contact and attended meetings with co-ordinators and other multidisciplinary health care members regarding patient care planning.
- Taught other health care professionals and family members of patient's treatment protocol.
- Trained Occupational Therapy students.
- Made referrals to other community agencies and programs as needed.

1969-1987 Occupational Therapist - Bloorview Children's Hospital
- The Clarke Institute of Psychiatry
- Homewood Sanatorium
- Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital

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