

Occupational Therapist Assistant and Physiotherapist Assistant

Program Learning Outcomes

Learning outcomes represent culminating demonstrations of learning and achievement. In addition, learning outcomes are interrelated and cannot be viewed in isolation of one another. As such, they should be viewed as a comprehensive whole. They describe performances that demonstrate that significant integrated learning by graduates of the program has been achieved.

The graduate has reliably demonstrated the ability to

1. Communicate appropriately and effectively, through verbal, nonverbal, written and electronic means, with clients, their significant others, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, and members of the interdisciplinary health care team and others.
2. Participate in the effective functioning of interdisciplinary health care teams to optimize client physical and occupational functions.
3. Establish, develop, maintain, and conclude client-centred, therapeutic relationships.
4. Promote a safe environment that prevents or minimizes potential physical or mental harm to the client, therapist assistant and others.
5. Practice in a legal, ethical, and professional manner within the role of the therapist assistant.
6. Document client records in a thorough, objective, accurate, and timely manner within the role of the therapist assistant.
7. Engage in reflective practice and ongoing professional development activities to maintain and enhance competence.
8. Perform the roles and responsibilities of the therapist assistant effectively through the application of relevant knowledge of health sciences, psychosocial sciences, health conditions, resource management and clinical procedures.
9. Contribute to the occupational therapist's or physiotherapist's assessment of the client and the development, implementation and modification of intervention/treatment plans.
10. Maximize the client's occupational performance by accurately and safely implementing the interventions, and related tasks under the direction and supervision of the occupational therapist.
11. Maximize the client's physical function by accurately and safely implementing the interventions and related tasks under the direction and supervision of the physiotherapist.