

Physiotherapist Hand Therapy

Posting#: PHC22-137405

Work Area: Ambulatory Care

Base Site: St Paul's Hospital

City: Vancouver

Status: Regular Part Time, 0.60 FTE

Wage: \$37.24-46.39/hour

Hours: 0800-1600

Summary

Reporting to the Professional Practice Leader, Physiotherapy, and taking clinical direction from the Physiotherapy Site Leader and/or Research, Education and Practice Coordinator, the position supports the interdisciplinary program/team in achieving program, patient and resident goals. Focusing on Hand Therapy, plans, organizes and implements patient/resident care programs to prevent or alleviate movement dysfunction, maintain and improve patient/resident's potential to function. Responsible for all clinical aspects of assigned caseload as they relate to Physiotherapy practice within the Mission, Vision and Values of Providence Health Care. Consults with members of the health care team regarding patient response to treatment and goals and long-term care plans.

Duties

- Performs hand assessments, interventions and follow-ups utilizing hand therapy practices for post surgical plastics patients or other hand injuries.
- Provides other physiotherapy treatment and assessment utilizing recognized physiotherapy techniques and practices.
- Educates/counsels patients/residents, families and other team members through individual and/or group teaching methods such as one to one demonstration, in-services and providing teaching materials.
- Contributes to an interdisciplinary approach to patient/resident care and program related issues by attending weekly hand clinic and team conferences to exchange information on patient responses or issues related to patient care and discharge planning.
- Participates in program development by providing input related to the plastics program.
- Makes recommendations to appropriate Program staff regarding potential changes to the program and implements upon approval.
- Provides clinical education and supervision to students as required.
- Participates in the quality assurance activities of physiotherapy such as the development, implementation, and evaluation of written procedures, standards, forms and patient/resident education materials and goals and objectives.
- Maintains patient/resident records by methods such as documenting patient/resident assessments, charting patient/resident information, preparing progress notes and reports in accordance with established standards, and policies and procedures to meet regulatory requirements and documenting for future reference.
- Acts as a resource to staff regarding hand therapy and other areas of physiotherapy practice, such as effective body mechanics, ergonomic assessments and back care. Supports clinical research activities by generating questions, assisting in writing proposals, and participating in data collection and interpretation, within resources.
- Maintains knowledge of current developments in physiotherapy and specifically.

Education

- Baccalaureate degree in Physiotherapy, plus certification as a Hand Therapist or two years recent experience in complex hand therapy, or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience.
- Current registration with the College of Physical Therapists of BC. Eligible for membership in the Canadian Physiotherapy Association.

Skills

- Demonstrated ability to communicate with and deal effectively with, patients/residents, families, staff, physicians, and other health care providers. Demonstrated ability to gather relevant data and make a multi-dimensional assessment Knowledge of other health care disciplines and their role in patient/resident care.
- Demonstrated ability to draw out information that will contribute to understanding the patient/resident's situation in order to explore issues beyond the initial concerns.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively as a member of an interdisciplinary team.
- Demonstrated ability to deal with and/or guide others in conflict resolution issues. Physical ability to carry out the duties of the position.
- Broad knowledge of the treatment and management of patients/residents with hand and upper extremity injuries.
- Ability to work independently, and prioritize issues and workload. Ability to operate related equipment.
- Ability to participate in research.
- Ability to provide supervision and teaching to students.
- Demonstrated ability to develop and provide in-services and presentations.