



Shoreline Speech Therapy

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST POSITION

June 16, 2022

For the position of Occupational Therapist

Reporting to the Owner / Clinic Manager

No specific start date

The successful candidate will be responsible for providing paediatric clinical services (assessment, treatment, consultation) in English – and French if qualified to do so. Services will be based out of Shoreline’s clinic in Dartmouth and will be primarily in person. The clinician’s caseload will include clients with a variety of needs which may include emotional and sensory regulation, executive functioning, fine motor skills (including handwriting), and coordination. Our team also works with adults, so candidates who are interested in working with both children and adults may have the opportunity to do so, but it is anticipated that the majority of the caseload would be children and their families.

This position may be part-time or full-time. It will be to develop a new caseload and to introduce occupational therapy services at our clinic. Estimations of how long it takes to acquire a full caseload can be discussed during the interview stage. The hours available will fluctuate based on demand for services, as is typical in the private sector.

The successful candidate **must** be licensed with the College of Occupational Therapists of Nova Scotia (or eligible if relocating from another province) and meet and maintain all requirements to practice in Nova Scotia.

Requirements:

- a minimum of three years of experience as an OT
- a recent criminal record check including vulnerable sector check
- a recent Child Abuse Registry check
- evidence of Professional Liability Insurance (\$5 million per claim minimum as per COTNS)
- confirmation that they’ve had their annual flu shot
- evidence that they are or will be fully vaccinated for COVID-19

Assets:

- ability to also practice in French or Arabic
- experience in other jurisdictions (e.g., other Canadian provinces)
- ability to bring a diverse perspective to our team
- participation in the profession outside of clinical work (e.g., involvement with professional association, nonprofit or other community group, regulatory college, or research)
- past experience in customer service (even as long ago as when an applicant was a student)

Qualities that we look for:

- passion for work as an OT and providing high quality services
- commitment to remaining current with best practice and research evidence
- ability to work independently as appropriate
- willingness to collaborate with team members
- respect for the policies and protocols established for our team
- positive attitude, flexibility, patience
- attention to detail
- good problem-solving skills

Our clinicians' hours of work reflect our prioritization of being available for clients who have work and school commitments and are thus not available during the "typical" Monday to Friday 9-5 windows without creating a substantial burden for those persons. All of Shoreline's staff members (including the Clinic Manager) work some evenings. We also have staff who work on Saturdays (including the Clinic Manager). Availability can be discussed during the interview stage. Scheduling for the preparation and documentation associated with direct client work is completely flexible.

Compensation will be based on experience. This information will be discussed during the interview phase. Staff are paid for both direct and indirect time with clients.

For information about working at Shoreline in general, please visit: <https://www.shoreline-speech.com/volunteering-employment>

To apply, please send an email with your cover letter (max 1 page) and resume (max 2-3 pages) attached to the attention of:

Mrs. Pamela Coulter, M.Sc., SLP-Reg
Owner & Clinic Manager
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Questions about this position may be directed to the Clinic Manager. Interviews may be held in person or via videoconference. The interview process may require one to two meetings. References may be requested at the end of the first interview. We will only contact those to whom we are inviting to an interview. Scheduling for the interview(s) is flexible and may be during the day, evening, or on the weekend to avoid disrupting applicants' current work and family commitments.