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OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST**

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**ACADEMIC BACKGROUND**

**1986-1990 Bachelor of Science Degree-Occupational Therapy  
McGill University, Montreal Quebec**

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**2003- Present Occupational Therapist, Private Practice**

- Providing specialized assessment and treatment services to clients with traumatic brain injuries, complex neurological and orthopaedic injuries as well as mental health conditions such as depression, anxiety and post-traumatic stress disorder
- Insurer Examinations: Non Earner Benefit, Med Rehab Assessments, Catastrophic Assessments, Paper Assessments, Disability Assessments
- Expert Discharge Planning
- In Home ADL and Attendant Care Needs Assessments, On-Site Job or Generic Job Demands Analysis, Ergonomic Assessments
- Functional and Cognitive Capacity Assessments
- Home Safety, Accessibility and Modifications Assessments
- Assistive Devices Program Funding Assessments for Wheelchairs, Walkers and Power Devices
- In Home Occupational Therapy: counselling clients in their home who are recovering from injury or disability, promoting function and independence by providing strategies around joint protection, energy conservation, work simplification, postural mechanics, hurt vs. harm, load splitting and pacing techniques.

- Registered provider of the Progressive Goal Attainment Program: assisting clients to deal with their illness, chronic mental health or pain condition. Assisting injured or disabled clients to return to work.
- Treating and optimizing cognitive and motor abilities for clients suffering from mild to severe traumatic brain injuries.
- Providing MPS (Microcurrent Point Stimulation) treatment to clients suffering from chronic pain conditions.

**2008- 2014 Occupational Therapist, Casual Part Time  
Lakeridge Health Oshawa Hospital**

- Providing assessment, intervention and discharge planning to clients for Rehabilitative Stroke/ Neurological, Orthopedics and Amputation, Geriatrics and General Medicine, Palliative Care, Complex Continuing Care and General Surgery.
- Providing intervention for clients with acute and pre-rehab acquired brain injury and orthopedic injury
- Supervision and assignment of support personnel (OTA, Rehab Assistants)

**2005- 2008 Occupational Therapist  
Veterans Affairs Canada**

- Provided assessment, intervention for community based adult and elderly clientele ( old and new veterans)
- Services included seating and mobility assessment, functional assessments, in home assessments, feeding, assistive devices and accessibility assessments and Progressive Goal Attainment Program implementation.

**2000-2005 Occupational Therapist  
Canadian Rehabilitative Consultants, Toronto Ontario**

- Provided assessment and treatment services to clients with soft tissue, complex orthopedic injuries and acquired brain injuries.
- Hospital discharge planning
- In Home Activities of Daily Living and Attendant Care Needs Assessments
- Ordered equipment and materials for clients
- Ordered hospital and clinical records on behalf of clients
- Met with Family Physicians and Rehabilitation Professionals
- Ergonomic Assessments, Job Site Assessments and Graduated Return to Work and ADL Programs
- Provided independent medical examinations under the Statutory Accident Benefits Schedule (SABS)

- 1998-2000 Occupational Therapist  
Brain Injury Rehabilitation, Toronto Ontario**
- Provided assessment and treatment to clients with acquired brain injury in a Residential Rehabilitation Program. Multidisciplinary team comprised of Speech Language Pathologist, Neuropsychologist, Social Worker and Support Personnel/ Rehab Assistants
  - Supervisor of RA, OTA and PSW assistants
  - Arranged for community outings for socialization and reintegration
  - Provided work simulation training
  - Assisted clients with job searching, interview skills and graduated return to work programs
  - Assisted clients with safe and supervised community reintegration
- 1996-1998 Occupational Therapist  
Cranio Cervical Rehabilitation Institute, Toronto Ontario**
- Provided assessment and treatment to clients with chronic pain, acquired brain injury and orthopedic injuries in the context of a multidisciplinary team (Speech Language Pathologist, Pain Specialist, Kinesiology, Physiotherapist, Recreational Therapist)
  - In home assessments, assessment of attendant care needs
  - Administered standardized and functional cognitive assessments
  - Provided work conditioning and work hardening program
- 1992-1996 Occupational Therapist  
Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, North York, Ontario**
- Provided assessment and treatment of geriatric and adult clients with stroke, orthopaedic and acquired brain injuries in a rehab setting
  - Administered standardized and functional Cognitive, Perceptual, Neurological and Physical Assessments.
  - ADL Training, Physical Rehabilitation, Recreational Rehabilitation.
  - In Home Assessments, Home Modifications, Wheelchair, Seating and Mobility Aids Assessments, Splinting.
  - Foot and Shoe Assessments.
  - Developing In Home Assessments, Initial Intake Assessment Forms.
  - Supervising and training other Occupational Therapy staff and students
  - Assisted manager with developing and monitoring policies and procedures, managed operating budgets, QA and Employee Relations Programs

**1990-1992 Occupational Therapist  
Wellesley Hospital, Toronto Ontario**

- Provided assessment and treatment of clients with acute and pre-rehab acquired brain injury, spinal cord injury, burns and orthopaedic injuries.
- Hand injury treatment, splinting
- Activities of Daily Living Assessments, Wheelchair, Seating and Mobility Aids Assessments, Brain Injury Rehabilitation
- In home assessments
- Ordering equipment, materials

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario (COTO), since 1990
- Ontario Society of Occupational Therapists (OSOT), since 1990
- OSOT Auto Sector Committee Member, since 2003
- Assistive Devices Program Authorizer, ADP, since 1991
- Progressive Goal Attainment (PGAP) Provider, since 2005
- Durham Brain Injury Association, since 2003

**LANGUAGES**

- English
- Italian
- French

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Presently participating in a pilot study on the use of a standardized cognitive assessment kit, Brain Fx
- Participated in a pilot study using an Inter-Professional Clinical Practice Guideline Tool for Vocational Evaluation following Traumatic Brain Injury, Mary Stergiou-Kita, Bsc (OT), MSc, Ph.D., January to June 2010
- Assisted with development of OSOT Guidelines for Occupational Therapy Assessment Timeframes, 2005
- Assistant Professor, "Applied Neurology", II Year OT Course, Division of Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, 1995-1997
- Assistant Professor, OT Section: Psychiatric Disorders", Health Sciences Division, Humber College of Applied, 1997

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

- Cognition: OT Assessment and Treatment Course, 2 day workshop, September 2014
- Brain FX 360 Certification Course, February 2014
- Enriching OT Psychotherapy Practice, OSOT, October 2013
- Emerging Trends in Auto Insurance, Oatley Vigmond Webinar, October 2013
- Update on Changes to Catastrophic Impairment, Best Practices for Discharge Planning, Managing TBI, Thomson Rogers, September 2013
- So My Concussion is a Brain Injury, Brain FX, June 2013
- NeuroRehabilitation: Assisting Recovery and Function in Everyday Life Following Brain Injury, OBIA and Brock University Certification Course, February 2013
- Working with the Ontario Auto Insurance Changes, Oatley Vigmond Webinar, October 2012
- Attendant Care Changes in the new SABS, Oatley Vigmond Webinar, April 2012
- Shoppers Home HealthCare Innovations Conference, November 2012
- Ontario Society of Occupational Therapists (OSOT) Conference, Niagara Falls, September 2011
- Electro Therapeutic Point Stimulation Training Workshop, Accumed Clinic, April 2011
- Progressive Goal Attainment Program, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition Training Workshop, June 2011
- Cognitive Rehabilitation, The Quadraphonic Approach, Mindworks, October 21-22, 2010
- New Directions in the Changing World of Auto Insurance, OSOT, April 16, 2010
- Cognitive Rehabilitation and the Multi Context Approach, Executive Function, Awareness and Memory, Mindworks September 24 and 25, 2009
- Attendant Care Assessment and Assistive Devices, October 2008
- Vehicle Conversion Modifications, September 2007
- Safe Patient Handling, Lifts and Transfers, September 2006
- WSIB Acute Low Back Injury Program of Care Training Workshop, May 26, 2005
- Progressive Goal Attainment Program Training Course, University Centre for Research on Pain and Disability, January 2005
- ARCON Certified Evaluator Course, Toronto, Ontario, December 9, 2003
- Auto Insurance and DAC Reform, Rob Sampson, October 2003
- Auto Insurance Reform Conference, OSOT, September 2003
- Accountable Occupational Therapy Practice in the Auto Insurance Industry Seminar hosted by the College of Occupational Therapists. April 2002
- IME's and FAE's, CRC Consultants, April 2001
- Attendant Care, an Insurer's Perspective, March 2001
- COPS System Vocational Assessment Battery Training Workshop, University of Toronto, July 1998
- Nuts and Bolts of Office Ergonomics, University of Toronto, May, 1998.
- Occupational Therapy in Private Practice, Community Advantage Rehabilitation, January, 1998
- Assistive Devices Program Authorization course for Communication Aids and Writing Devices, Assistive Devices Program, Ministry of Health, October 1997
- Ergonomic Functional Evaluation, University of Toronto, March, 1996
- An Approach to Care for the next Century: The Emergence of Enablement, Baycrest Centre, February, 1995
- Seating and Mobility, University of Toronto, March, 1993
- Effective Presentation Skills, Baycrest Centre, July 1992
- A Person's Home is their Castle: Enlightening our Perspective on Community Home, Baycrest Centre, October 1992

## TRANSFERABLE SKILLS AND PROFESSIONAL VALUES

- 25 years of professional experience in hospital, rehab and community
- Regulated health professional in good standing with the College
- ADP Authorizer, Registered PGAP Provider and MPS Provider
- Strong familiarity with SABS
- Commitment to Evidence Based Learning and Continuing Education
- Computer Literate-MS Office, Outlook, Power Point, Internet, Email
- Excellent Time Management and Organizational Skills
- Excellent Interpersonal, Verbal and Written Communication Skills
- Excellent Leadership, Critical Thinking and Teamwork Skills
- Excellent Motivation, Energy, Commitment and Reliability Skills

Sincerely,



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