

JOB DESCRIPTION & PERSON SPECIFICATION

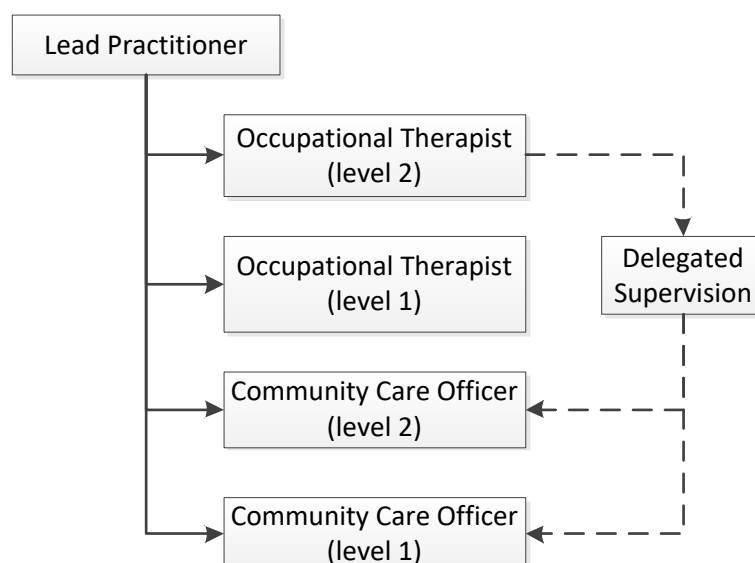
Director Area: Adult Care and Community Wellbeing	Job Ref Number: 3621
Service Area: Adult Care	Grade: G8 (click here for value)
Job Title: Occupational Therapist Level 1	

PURPOSE OF JOB:

Responsible for providing statutory professional Occupational Therapy as part of a team supporting adults with care and support needs to live independently in the community through provision of advice, retraining, equipment and alterations to their lived environment. You will demonstrate a commitment to strengths based practice and skills in supporting people to identify and build support networks to achieve their identified outcomes and maximise their independence, providing advice and support to carers.

This work is done in close collaboration with other specialist colleagues and agencies. Any activity will reflect service user's personal, social, cultural and economic needs and will relate to environmental factors that govern their lifestyle. You will be expected to work with autonomy managing a case load and demonstrate a multi-agency approach integrating your practice with colleagues across the health and care sector. Work may include travel outside the county.

TEAM STRUCTURE:



MAIN DUTIES:

1	Establish therapeutic relationships with people who use services understanding the impact and long term consequences of a disability. This may involve collaboration and consultation with colleagues in health and other agencies. Assessing people's needs including any non-social care needs e.g. housing, health care and work
2	Manage a varied caseload with supervision and advice from the Lead Practitioner at a level of complexity appropriate to the post holder's experience, and professional capability and be accountable for their professional practice.
3	Undertake assessments in line with the Care Act 2014 to identify care and support needs adopting and promoting a strengths based approach to identifying, outcomes people want to achieve, opportunities for independence and identify solutions
4	Identify and assess needs holistically involving service users and carers. Planning and

	designing innovative solutions to ensure long-term independence of people with disabilities.
5	To work as part of a team offering support and specialist advice to colleagues and acting as a representative of OT's as and when required
6	Organise care packages which promote independence, rehabilitation and take due regard for the health and safety of people using services, informal carers and care workers
7	Provide support and advice to non-registered social care practitioners (e.g. Community Care Officers)
8	Act as Practice Educator, providing mentoring and supervision as required for Occupational Therapy students
9	Undertake moving and handling risk assessments according to the Moving and Handling policy, ensuring that the outcomes are appropriately recorded and the risks managed
10	Present cases in appropriate, suitable and concise manner and undertake the tasks required following the decision in a manner which assists progress and contributes to the positive reputation of the Directorate
11	Work in partnership with Agencies in relation to discharge, joint working, recommending services be provided by other agencies and establishment of joint care packages
12	Ensure case files and records are accurate in line with Directorate policies and procedures
13	To work within and act in accordance with Lincolnshire County Council Adult Care policies and procedures including Lincolnshire's Safeguarding policies and Procedures
14	The post holder may be expected to concentrate on specific areas of work arising from organisational need.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Requirements	Where identified*	Essential	Desirable
Professional Occupational Therapy qualification e.g. Diploma or Degree in OT	A,I	✓	
Current HCPC Occupational Therapy Registration	A,I	✓	
Ability to enable and support the professional development of colleagues and students	A, I		✓
Demonstrable commitment to continuous professional development	A,I	✓	
Knowledge of relevant legislation underpinning statutory Adult Care Practice and Occupational Therapy	A,I,T	✓	
Demonstrate values that promote wellbeing, challenge oppression and discriminations and empower people to live well	I	✓	
Working knowledge of Occupational Therapy theory and research and its application to practice	I,T		✓
Interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills	I,T	✓	
Analytical Assessment skills	I	✓	
Knowledge of disability issues			✓
The ability to work autonomously in identifying and addressing need and risk	I	✓	
Ability to work as part of a team, learning from and contributing to the development of others.	I		✓
Organisational and administrative skills necessary for managing a varied caseload	A, I, T		✓

Ability to co-ordinate the review of service provision against identified needs	I		✓
Ability to secure change in practice through constructively challenging individuals and services	I,T		✓
Ability to promote the social inclusion of adults and families you work with	I		✓
In accordance with Part 7 of the Immigration Act 2016 (Fluency Duty), the ability to converse at ease with customers and provide advice in accurate spoken English	I	✓	

*A = Application form T = Test/Assessment I = Interview P = Presentation

GENERAL

The postholder is required to take personal responsibility for contributing to organisational transformation and changes in ways of working, maximising the benefits and efficiencies for both internal and external customers, including the promotion and use of self-service to achieve maximum cost effectiveness.

The postholder is expected to work to the [Lincolnshire County Council Core Values and Behaviours](#) and to carry out the duties in accordance with Lincolnshire County Council policies.

Other Duties - The duties and responsibilities in this job description are not exhaustive. The post holder may be required to undertake other duties within the general scope of the post. Any such duties should not substantially change the general character of the post. Duties and responsibilities outside of the general scope of this grade of post will be with the consent of the post holder.

Safeguarding -. All employees need to be aware of the possible abuse of children and vulnerable adults and if you are concerned you need to follow the Lincolnshire County Council Safeguarding Policy. In addition employees working with children and vulnerable adults have a responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and vulnerable adults during the course of their work.