

Role Description

Role Title:	Occupational Therapist- Hand Therapy
Role Level:	HP3
Level of Accountability:	Team Member
Mater Ministry:	Mater Health
Service Stream/Department:	Occupational Therapy
Manager Role Title:	Team Leader - Acute Services
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Role Context

The Occupational Therapy department at Mater Health provides public and private health services across a range of clinical specialties. These include general medical, general surgical, orthopaedics, neurosciences, cancer care, lymphoedema, psychosocial/mental health, rehabilitation and neonatology and paediatrics. The team encompasses both Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants and deliver services within inpatient, outpatient, day therapy and telehealth settings.

Role Purpose

As a member of the Occupational Therapy team, you will provide patient centred, evidence based clinical care in {the orthopaedic and surgical stream. This HP3 role will be working full time in the hand theray caseload.

Behavioural Standards

This role requires the incumbent to adhere to the Mater behavioural standards including the Mater Mission, Values, Code of Conduct, Mater Credo as well as any other relevant professional and behavioural standards, translating these into everyday behaviour and actions, and holding self and others to account for these standards.

Accountabilities

In this role		
Role requirements	Is clear on the behaviour, tasks and accountabilities that are associated with the role, fulfils mandatory and professional competency requirements, contributes to own performance development planning, proactively seeks feedback, carries out individual development plan and actively contributes to own team/s	
As a Mater person		
Safety	Every decision and every action taken has safety as its guiding principle.	
Experience	Consistently seeks to meet or exceed each and every person's service expectations, each and every time through the provision of differentiated customer service.	
Quality	Consistently seeks to continuously improve the quality of our service, through contributing to delivering evidence based low variability healthcare	

Efficiency	Seeks opportunities to deliver services for more people within existing resources, which means being innovative and focussed, and demonstrating strong stewardship of our finite resources.
Future viability	Consistently seeks to improve, innovate and evolve, through looking for new trends and opportunities which will ensure Mater can meet the challenges of the future by making sensible decisions today.

Role Specific Expectations

Function	Key Accountabilities
Clinical Practice and Scope	 Independently undertake routine clinical practice within established clinical protocols to achieve patient focussed outcomes Apply increasing clinical judgement to more complex cases under clinical practice supervision
Leading and Managing Work Productivity	Provide delegation, supervision, training and support to less experienced health practitioners, allied health assistants, students, support staff and volunteers in the delivery of clinical services
Developing and Delivering Our Service	Contribute to the development of clinical practices, procedures and protocols within professional and multidisciplinary teams
Integrating Quality Improvement and Research	 Identify, develop and participate in quality and service improvement activities to continually improve clinical services and patient outcomes Actively participate in translating research into practice
Communicating and Engaging with Others	Actively participate in professional and multidisciplinary teams, and liaise with patients, their families/carers and external agencies to facilitate patient centred care
Developing Ourselves and Others	 Participate in continuing professional development activities to further develop clinical practice and expertise Contribute to the learning and development of the team through clinical education and clinical supervision

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Qualifications and Experience

Essential Qualifications

- Bachelor of Occupational Therpay or Master of Occupational Therapy
- Eligible for registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- Eligibility to receive a Medicare provider number

Skills, Knowledge and Experience

- Demonstrated knowledge, expertise and skill in delivering assessment and intervention in the acute hand therapy caseload of occupational therapy.
- Demonstrated ability to apply occupational therapy principles to occupational therapy clinical services in an acute hospital environment.}
- Flexibility to work across other acute hospital areas as clinical demands necessitate and fulfill weekend shifts as per weekend roster
- Demonstrated clinical practice and application of clinical judgement in the provision of high quality, evidence based, patient centred care
- Effective communication skills and demonstrated ablity to work co-operatively with profession and multi-disciplinary teams, patients and carers to achieve optimal outcomes
- Demonstrated ability or ability to rapidly acquire skills to identify, develop and participate in quality and service improvement activities that improve clinical services and patient outcomes

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