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RELIEF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST

The Western Cape Education Department is seeking a dedicated Occupational Therapist for a temporary contract position, starting 1 January 2025. This role requires a professional who is passionate about supporting learners with various barriers to learning and who is committed to enhancing their educational experience.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Provide occupational therapy services to learners with various barriers to learning, including Global Developmental Delay, Specific Learning Disabilities, Autism Spectrum Disorder, ADHD, Cerebral Palsy, and Physical Disabilities.
- Develop and implement occupational therapy programmes within a school context, including small group and class group interventions.
- Compile and implement individual support plans tailored to the needs of each learner.
- Advise, guide, and support parents regarding therapeutic intervention programmes.
- Maintain accurate administrative records and documentation.
- Collaborate effectively with staff and other professionals to enhance support for learners.
- Foster a positive attitude towards teamwork and contribute to a supportive school environment.

Desired Experience and Qualifications

Prerequisite:

- B or B Sc degree in Occupational Therapy.
- Proof of current registration as an Occupational Therapist with the HPCSA.
- Working knowledge and appropriate experience working with learners with various barriers to learning.
- Experience in implementing therapy programmes in a school setting.
- Knowledge and experience in compiling and implementing individual support plans.
- Good administrative and interpersonal skills.
- Excellent command of English and Afrikaans (both written and spoken).

Recommended:

- Knowledge and experience of neuro developmental therapy (NDT) and wheelchair seating.
- Training/partial training in Ayres Sensory Integration Therapy.
- Familiarity with the National Curriculum Statement (CAPS) and its support through occupational therapy interventions.
- Strong interest in or experience with Sport for the Physically Disabled.
- Registration with SACE (to be followed up on appointment).

Interested candidates may submit a detailed CV, certified copies of qualifications, testimonials and contact details of references by hand or by courier to the school. Only hard copy applications will be accepted. All applications must be placed in an envelope with the specific post applied for, clearly indicated. It will be expected of the successful candidate to undergo police clearance verification and to be vetted against the national register for sex offenders (NRSO). Appointment is dependent on a clear record. The cost of the vetting process is for the employer.

Closing date for applications: Monday, 11 November 2024. Late applications will not be considered. Correspondence will be limited to shortlisted candidates.