



Occupational Therapy



The Centre for Child Development
Therapy, care & support under one umbrella

<https://the-centre.org/occupational-therapy>



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Our occupational therapists work with families and caregivers to help children and youth maximize their fine motor control and ability to function and participate at home, school, and in their community.

Our goal is to empower children and families, identifying and supporting each child's unique strengths and abilities.



Service Provision

Services are play based, with activities that are fun and purposeful, maximizing function.

We believe a child's family is an integral part of the therapy team. The primary service focus is training and support of caregivers so they can help their child learn and develop.

Depending on the child's needs, this training may be in group settings or one to one with the parent/caregiver present.



What do we Help With?

- Hand function (including selection/fabrication of splints if needed)
- Sensory issues part of developmental delay
 - Desensitization to challenging food textures, colours, aromas



Mission, Vision, Values

Our mission continues to be helping children with special needs reach their potential.

Our vision is that children have the best opportunities to succeed in all areas of their lives.

Our values reflect that our highest priority is the well-being, safety and success of our children.

Our work is guided by the principle of family-centred care. We believe that parents are the experts when it comes to their children.

- Independence and self-care skills
 - dressing
 - feeding
 - bathing/hygiene



- Prewriting, writing, scissor skills
- Play skills



- Specialized equipment selection and adaptation (wheelchair, power wheelchair, bath seat, toilet commode, patient lift systems)



- Recommendations for home, school and vehicle modifications
- Technology modifications for varying physical abilities
- OT school consultation (Surrey, Langley & Delta school districts)



Who's Eligible?

Children ages 0-19 living in Surrey, Delta, White Rock or Langley with developmental delays including fine motor delays and/or conditions like cerebral palsy, spina bifida, muscle disease or orthopedic conditions.

School services are coordinated through each school district and may vary from services described in this brochure. Please contact your child's school principal or integration support teacher for more information.



How to Make a Referral

The Centre's [referral form](#) can be downloaded from our website, or you can call and ask to have a referral form mailed to you.

If you're already a Centre client, please speak to your service coordinator about making a referral.



More Information

For more information about The Centre for Child Development and our services:

Phone: 604-584-1361

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