KINESIOLOGY PRACTICUM DESCRIPTION

Practicum Position Title: Therapy Assistant

Agency/Company: SMILE Therapy for Kids

Location(s):
Unit 305, 4014 MacLeod Trail SE, Calgary, AB, T2G2R7

Terms Available: Fall, Winter, or Spring

Number of Positions: 2

Specified Schedule: Flexible schedule, clinic open Monday-Saturday

Organization Description:
SMILE Therapy for Kids is a multi-disciplinary clinic that specializes in the treatment of developmental disorders in children. SMILE Therapy for Kids follows a direct treatment intervention model resulting in fast paced and jam-packed treatment sessions. Therapists have been trained and are able to provide a multitude of therapies including Dynamic Movement Intervention (DMI), TheraTogs, Spider Cage, Vestibular Rehabilitation, Full Body Vibration, and Neuromuscular Electrical Stimulation (NMES) along with traditional physiotherapy and occupational therapy.

Practicum duties and responsibilities
Under the supervision of the therapists or therapy assistants, the practicum student may participate in one or more of the following duties throughout their placement:

• Assist with individualized assessment and treatment of neuromuscular pediatric conditions.
• Assist the Physiotherapists with application of DMI exercises.
• Assist the Occupational Therapist with therapy sessions including vestibular rehabilitation, feeding, and reflex integration.
• Learn how to apply concepts from human anatomy and physiology in creating treatment goals based on outcomes of assessment.
• Assist with general housekeeping of the clinic.

Required Qualifications:
• Completion of KNES 373 (Exercise Physiology)
• Interest in working with children and the ability to communicate effectively with clients, their families, and members of the multidisciplinary team

Assets:
Previous experience working with children or individuals with neurodevelopmental conditions.

On-Site Supervisor: Emma Bolt  emmab@smiletherapy.ca
Alternate contacts: Andrea Murty andream@smiletherapy.ca  or Katie Hall katieh@smiletherapy.ca

All applicants should submit a resume and cover letter.
Kinesiology Practicum Application

Placement: SMILE Therapy for Kids

Students must have 60 units completed to qualify for a practicum, including 30 units of KNES
Students may participate in up to three practicums, with no more than two at the same location

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Contact the on-site supervisor to arrange an interview.
2. Bring a copy of this application with the completed student portion to your interview to be completed by the On-Site Supervisor.
3. Submit application and required documentation (if applicable) to knespracticum@ucalgary.ca; our office will email your @ucalgary account within 5 business days with next steps for you and your On-Site Supervisor.

STUDENT PORTION – COMPLETE PRIOR TO INTERVIEW

Practicum Term

☐ Fall ______ (year)  ☐ Winter ______ (year)  ☐ Spring ______ (year)

Student Information

Name: ___________________________  UCID: ___________________________

Phone Number: ____________________  Email: _______________________@ucalgary.ca

Student Practicum Expectations: Why have you chosen this practicum placement? (1-2 sentences)

Code of Conduct

Students are responsible for compliance with the University of Calgary’s Code of Conduct.

☐ Yes  ☐ No I have read and understood the University of Calgary’s Code of Conduct.

☐ Yes  ☐ No Do you have a pre-existing relationship(s) with person(s) or group(s) associated with this practicum placement? If yes, please briefly explain the nature of the relationship:

I agree that:

• No salary or payment will be received based upon my participation in a Kinesiology practicum placement
• I will meet the expectations of the practicum placement for which I am applying
• I will be punctual throughout my practicum placement and will adequately notify the On-Site Supervisor about any absence(s).
• I will complete 60-72 hours within the dates of the term.

Start Date (first day of lectures)  End Date (last day of lectures)

☐ I agree with the above-mentioned terms and conditions.

Student’s Signature: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________

ON-SITE SUPERVISOR PORTION

Name: Emma Bolt  Organization: SMILE Therapy for Kids

Phone: ___________________________  Email: emmab@smiletherapy.ca

As the On-Site Supervisor, I agree that:

• No salary or compensation will be given to the practicum student
• I will provide sufficient hours, supervision, and guidance during this practicum placement
• I will complete a mid-point and final evaluation for the practicum student.

☐ I agree with the above-mentioned terms and conditions.

On-Site Supervisor’s Signature: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________
CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

Practicum students and the agency must complete the signed confidentiality agreement and submit it (along with the practicum application form) to knespracticum@ucalgary.ca.

THIS AGREEMENT is made as of the ______ day of ________, 20____.

BETWEEN:

_____________________________________________________

(hereinafter called the “Agency”)

AND:

_____________________________________________________

(hereinafter called the “Student”)

Whereas:

It is the Student’s legal and ethical responsibility to protect the privacy, confidentiality and security of all records, proprietary information and other confidential information relating to the Agency, including business, employment and medical information relating to patients, members, employees and health care providers. (“Confidential Information”).

And whereas:

The Agency has adopted policies and procedures regarding Confidential Information including its policies and procedures for complying with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Health Information Act (“Policies and Procedures”).

In witness hereof, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Agency agrees to disclose and the Student agrees to receive Confidential Information in furtherance of participating in his/her practicum with the Agency, as set out in the Practicum Agreement.

2. The Agency agrees to advise, instruct and guide the Student as to the Policies and Procedures.

3. Upon receipt of the information set out in paragraph 2 herein, the Student agrees to use his/her best efforts to comply with the Policies and Procedures and to protect the Confidential Information, or any part thereof, and prevent it from being disclosed to any person contrary to the Policies and Procedures.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed this Agreement effective as of the day and year first written above.

Agency

Signed: ___________________________  Signed: ___________________________

Print Name: _________________________  Print Name: _________________________

Title: ________________________________  Date ________________________________

Student

Date: ________________________________

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