

Work environment & locations

Pediatric therapists work in hospitals, child development centres and schools throughout the Province of British Columbia.

These positions are funded through the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) and Ministry of Education.

Pediatric therapists work in urban, rural and remote locations and are often part of multi-disciplinary teams that include Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Speech-Language Pathologists, as well as teachers, nurses and physicians.



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Pediatric Therapy





Types of therapists & training required

Pediatric Speech-Language Pathologists (SLPs)

Pediatric Speech-Language Pathologists help children acquire the skills they need to effectively communicate. They evaluate, diagnose, and treat speech, language, communication, and swallowing disorders. They often work with children to enhance speech, language and/or cognitive development in children with Autism spectrum disorders, developmental delay, feeding disorders and pediatric traumatic brain injury.

Qualifications Required: Registered with the College of Speech and Hearing Health Professionals of BC.
BC Program at UBC: <http://audiospeech.ubc.ca/>

Pediatric Physiotherapists (PTs)

Pediatric Physiotherapists work with children affected by disease, injury, or disability to help them preserve, restore or enhance movement and physical function. They use therapeutic exercise, physical modalities, assistive devices, patient education and training to help children acquire the gross motor skills (walk, run, jump) they require to explore their environment and/or improve their day-to-day physical functioning.

Qualifications Required: Registered with College of Physical Therapists of BC
BC Program at UBC:
www.physicaltherapy.med.ubc.ca/Home.htm

Pediatric Occupational Therapists (OTs)

Pediatric Occupational Therapists help children develop the skills they need to engage in meaningful activities of daily life, including dressing, feeding, playing, and attending school. OTs enable and encourage participation in such activities and help children to thrive.

Qualifications Required: Registered with College of Occupational Therapists of BC
BC Program at UBC:
<http://osot.ubc.ca/about/programs/masters-of-occupational-therapy/>



Continued professional development

Mentoring and continued professional development are key benefits to working in public practice with the Ministry of Children and Family Development.