

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY INSTITUTE

Broken Heart Ministries' / Fundatia Broken Heart's Occupational Therapy Institute (OTI) in Bucharest, Romania, provides consultation for NGOs, schools, hospitals and governmental agencies in the form of staff and program development within the community. OTI also provides diagnostic and consultative services for children of all ages who have a broad range of pediatric diagnoses, learning difficulties, developmental disorders and/or behavior problems.

A range of specialists provide services through a network of community rehabilitation providers including: psychologists; behavior therapists; speech and language pathologists; occupational and physical therapists, educational specialists; recreational therapists; and consulting physicians.

OTI provides assessments, consultations, specialized therapies, and in-service training for schools and/or parents. OTI provides support to families in accepting and dealing with their child's difficulties. In addition, the OTI is used as a best practice site to encourage the practice of occupational therapy, family-centered care and the implementation of a team rehabilitation model in Romania.

OTI Announces the Following Vacancies for the Program Years 2008 - 2010

(1) Clinician Positions: OTI receives volunteers in the fields of Speech and Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Psychologists, Recreational Therapists, and other health care fields. Clinical staff responsibilities are evaluating and treating clients, as well as collaborating with other professionals in order to provide an effective program. This includes documenting, working with developmental specialist staff, attending staff meetings, providing and attending in-service training, participating in professional development, mentorship of junior clinicians and other duties as assigned by the National Director of Fundatia Broken Heart.

Minimum requirements for clinical positions are a bachelor's degree, two years experience, and appropriate clinical licensure or certification in the clinical discipline. OTI may consider new graduates for certain assignments.

(2) Specialist Positions: Specialists are responsible for treatment of specific cases as assigned by the National Director. Developmental specialists carry out treatment plans, working with the entire interdisciplinary team, under the supervision of the National Director. Other responsibilities include documenting, attending meetings, attending in-service trainings and other duties assigned by the National Director.

Minimum requirements for developmental specialist positions are a bachelor's degree in speech therapy, occupational therapy, psychology, child development, educational psychology or special education.

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Full-time volunteer hours include 30 hours weekly direct client time, with 40 total hours including training, meetings, mentorship time, planning, etc. Part-time volunteer positions include less than 30 hours direct client time per week.

To apply for a volunteer position with Broken Heart Ministries / Fundatia Broken Heart, please submit your Resume/CV via e-mail to: mpmberg@yahoo.com