

Understanding the Role of Your Clinicians

The Khan Advantage means that our team exists to help children and young adults navigate their communities and learn appropriate skills, to reach their fullest potential in life.



Speech–Language Pathologist (SLP)

An SLP evaluates communication delays and disorders. Refer to a speech language pathologist when someone cannot express their needs, has difficulty formulating their thoughts, is not able to participate in conversations or retell information, presents with a stutter, has a voice disorder, is nonverbal, does not have conversations easily, is difficult to understand, has difficulty pronouncing sounds, has difficulty with executive functioning, solving problems and socializing with others.



Occupational Therapist (OT)

An OT evaluates the ability to participate in daily living skills. Consult with an OT when a person has difficulty coloring (outside the lines or not filling the whole space), using scissors (poor hand positioning), copying shapes or printing letters, has a need for constant movement, poor attention, limited food variety, bothered by certain textures of food or clothing, reactive to touch, lights, sounds taste, and smell. Also refer to an OT if a person has difficulty falling asleep or staying asleep and is easily upset by changes in routines.



Physiotherapist (PT)

A PT will observe mobility issues, and how well a person can transfer weight and achieve mobility in a variety of environments. Refer to a PT when a person has difficulty with walking mannerisms, challenges with play, participating in gym-time activities, has inappropriate gait, presents with musculoskeletal pain, imbalance, weakness, limitations, poor muscle coordination and motor planning, poor postural control, lack of balance, delays in walking, running, stairs, jumping or other large movements, has lack of strength and limited range of motion or facial asymmetry.



Behaviour Consultant

A Behaviour Consultant will design and implement a behaviour plan that develops appropriate participation while limiting disruptive and inappropriate behaviors. Refer to a behavioral consultant when a person has poor attention, is rigid to their own routines and expectations, has frequent and intense meltdowns, has unsuccessful interactions with others, and becomes easily upset with changes to routines, unexpected changes, and transitions.



Psychologist

A Psychologist can provide an in-depth assessments of cognitive abilities, academic skills, emotional, behavioral, and adaptive functioning, and learning. Refer to a psychologist when a person has difficulty learning, achieving, becomes very anxious or angry, has poor organizational skills, has difficulty reading and writing, presents with delays in language, physical motor, sensory and adaptative skills. A psychologist can also provide a diagnosis of autism, ADHD, learning disability and other disorders.