

**Job Title:**

U.S. Navy: Occupational Therapist - Portsmouth, VA (O-3 billet, Non-Supervisory)

**Job Description:**

Assesses patients, diagnose, and formulate therapy treatment goals and plans. Plans, designs, implements, supervises, and modifies therapy program for each patient. Develops, implements, and conducts patient education and therapy programs based on patient and/or family needs. Participates in discharge planning. Provides routine consultation services. Assists with quality assurance and health promotion programs. Directs work of therapy support staff, supervises volunteers and students. Serves as a preceptor for COSTEPs and student interns. Maintains knowledge of therapy procedures and techniques to improve clinical services by participating in continuing education, in-service trainings, etc. Assists senior staff with administrative matters, specialty research areas, etc., as appropriate.

Assists in continuous program development for mild traumatic brain injury (mTBI) and related injuries – memory difficulties, PTSD, anxiety disorders, etc. Liaison to multiple disciplines for collaborative outpatient mental health services. Conducts monthly group programs for assigned patients. Able to perform and manage additional collateral duties set forth by clinic/facility, comparable to other offices. No incentives offer.

Maintains all basic readiness standards as required by the U.S. Public Health Service. PHS officers assigned under this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) must remain available for PHS deployments. Under this MOA, PHS officers are not authorized to deploy with the military. There are on-call responsibilities associated with this job.

**Requirements:**

License: A current, active, valid, unrestricted occupational therapy license from a U.S. State (as defined in 42 USC 201 (f)) is required.

Training: A candidate must be a graduate of an occupational therapy program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education leading to a degree in occupational therapy. Completion of a clinical internship of not less than 6 months duration is required. The candidate must possess a qualifying professional degree of Masters in Occupational Therapy; AOTA board certification.

Certification: Certification from the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy is required.

**Additional Requirements:**

Incumbent must have been a practicing OTR for at least 1 year, with 6 months to 1 year of exposure to Mental Health occupational therapy experience. Requires a SECRET clearance. This job requires a minimum of a 3 year commitment.

**Preference:**

AOTA mental health board certification preferred.

**Location Description:**

Naval Medical Center Portsmouth  
620 John Paul Jones  
Portsmouth, VA 23708

**Contact Information:**

To apply, please e-mail your CV and cover letter to [dodphsph@hhs.gov](mailto:dodphsph@hhs.gov)  
The cover letter should reference this specific job announcement, state your date of availability, introduce yourself, and provide your contact information to include name, phone, and e-mail address.

***\*\*\*This job announcement closes on February 25, 2013 by close of business Eastern Standard Time\*\*\****

***\*\*This position will not be filled any sooner than June 2013 and is open to current Commissioned Corps Officers and applicants to the Commissioned Corps. Applicants to the Commissioned Corps must have applied to the Commissioned Corps and have been professionally boarded in order to be considered for this job\*\****