Occupational Therapist for Low Vision Rehabilitation

**Mission:**  The Center for the Visually Impaired is a nonprofit organization serving people of all ages experiencing low vision or blindness. We offer a wide range of programs and services, including:

- Low vision exams
- Assistive devices and support in learning to use devices and technology
- Activities of Daily Living instruction and support
- Orientation and Mobility instruction and support
- Adjustment counseling and support groups

**Qualifications**

Bachelors or master’s degree in occupational therapy or a related field from an accredited college or university. Credentialing by professional body is also required. **Experience working with people with low vision is a plus but is not required.** Training and continuing education opportunities are available.

**Job Description**

The occupational therapist is a part of CVI’s rehabilitation team, providing activities of daily living instruction and support to adults. This role also collaborates with low vision optometrists in our Florence Maxwell Low Vision Clinic to assess patients’ needs and recommend appropriate rehabilitation and/or assistive devices to support their independence and safety. This is a part-time position.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

A. Performs assessment and evaluation of current rehabilitation skills of clients.

1. Plans and develops individualized instructional objectives based on need, goals, and capability of each client.
2. Develops instructional plan that includes the alteration, exclusion, or development of additional instructional sessions to facilitate learning and acquisitions of skill needed to meet the goals of the client.
3. Provides instruction in the home, work or educational setting that is most relevant to the specific needs of the client.

B. Submits necessary written evaluation, lesson plans and professional observations related to progress in the achievement of instructional plan.
   1. Documents all necessary reports and client data.
   2. Maintains monthly written progress reports including comments on skills demonstrated and/or special reports including special difficulties that client is encountering.
   3. Maintains communication with fellow staff to best facilitate the needs of an individual client.

C. Provides information and expertise on rehabilitation teaching to various professional and community resources.
   1. Participates in agency/client staffing and conferences as appropriate.
   2. Engages in conferences, workshops, seminars, and community education presentations as requested.
   3. Provides consultation and education to spouses and family members of the client regarding problems of adjustment to blindness and necessary skills they can develop to assist the client.

Submit qualifications/resume to humanresources@cviga.org.

CVI offers a positive, supportive work environment, competitive pay and benefits, and continuing education and credentialing opportunities.