

## EXAMPLES OF FACILITIES AVAILABLE FOR OBSERVATION HOURS FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT PROGRAM

| FACILITY  | FACILITY TYPE                       | PHONE NUMBER | CONTACT PERSON                                  |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------|---|
| OT 4 Kids<br>Lexington, NC                                  | OT Outpatient Clinic for Pediatrics | 336-236-6546 | Katie Clemmer,<br>COTA/L                        |
| Milestone Pediatric<br>Therapy, Charlotte, NC               | OT Outpatient Clinic for Pediatrics | 704-791-2800 | Phillip Bissondial, OTR/L                       |
| Saturn Nursing &<br>Rehabilitation Center,<br>Charlotte, NC | Nursing and Rehabilitation Center   | 704-598-4480 | Holly Walker COTA/L<br>Rehabilitation Director  |
| Northeast Rehabilitation –<br>Gateway                       | Outpatient                          | 704-403-1705 | Beth Sly, CHT, OTR/L,<br>MHA                    |
| Caromont Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine Gastonia, NC    | Outpatient                          | 704-671-5730 | Donald Howard, MS, OTR/L                        |
| Abbott's Creek Center,<br>Lexington, NC                     | Skilled Nursing Facility            | 336-248-6644 | Jamie Burleson, COTA/L                          |
| Autumn Care of Marshville,<br>Marshville, NC                | Skilled Nursing Facility            | 704-624-6643 | Lea Anne Flake, PTA<br>Rehabilitation Manager   |
| Laurels of Salisbury,<br>Salisbury, NC                      | Skilled Nursing Facility            | 704-637-1182 | Diane Spicer OTR/L<br>Rehabilitation Director   |
| Forsyth Medical Center,<br>Winston Salem, NC                | Acute Rehabilitation                | 336-718-1607 | Jennifer Luster, OTR/L<br>Fieldwork Coordinator |
| Brighter Day Theraplay<br>Albemarle, NC                     | OT Outpatient Clinic for Pediatrics | 704-983-5437 | Carla Shepard COTA/L                            |

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There are many facilities with Occupational Therapy Departments; the sites listed above are examples of where you might want to go. You may also investigate on your own and call any facility in your area. Tell them why you are calling and that you are applying to the Cabarrus College of Health Sciences Occupational Therapy Assistant Program. Ask if you could "Observe" or "Shadow" an Occupational Therapist or a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant.

Please be aware that professional attire is required when you attend these facilities for your observation hours. Dress as you would if you were going to a job interview. Jeans, tight clothes, midriff shirts, and use of your cell phone do not provide a professional appearance. Thank you.

Applicants for the OTA program must complete observation hours according to the following guidelines:

- A minimum of 25 total hours must be completed before the application is eligible for review for admission to the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program.
- An Observation Hours Verification form is required from each site to validate the completed observation hours.

- Observation hours must be completed in at least 3 different settings with 3 different Occupational Therapy professionals.
- The Occupational Therapy professional can be an OT or OTA who is not an immediate or extended family member.
- Applicants should provide the supervising therapist at the site with:
  - 1. The Observation Hours Verification Form with the top portion completed and signed
    - 2. A stamped envelope addressed to:
      - Cabarrus College of Heath Sciences Admissions Department 401 Medical Park Drive Concord, NC 28025.
- The Observation Hours Verification Form needs to be mailed by the professional who completes the form and not by the applicant.