



PROFILE

An occupational therapist, registered with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency, Karli has extensive experience providing specialised occupational therapy services to children and adults with disability, their family and their carers.

Karli concurrently works in her own private practice where she specialises in providing one on one services to children with disabilities.

Committed to professional development Karli is continuously partaking in workshops and courses. Karli regularly presents in services and mentoring to various Occupational Therapy groups.

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Karli Rutherford Occupational Therapist



PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

- Bachelor of Occupational Therapy – University of Queensland, 2001
- Hammersmith Infant Neurological Assessment trained.
- Assisting Hand Assessment certified rater – AHA, 2009
- Registered Medicare Provider
- Member of Occupational Therapy Australia, QLD
- Member of ARATA (Australian Rehabilitation & Assistive Technology Association).
- Member of Australian Lawyers Alliance

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Karli has extensive experience in the assessment and treatment of adults and children with a range of neurological and medical conditions. Karli is able to provide a credible opinion in regard to any or all of the following:

- Functional capacity/functional skills assessment
- Ability to complete both personal and domestic activities of daily living
- Past and future care needs
- Capacity for education and/or employment
- Future therapy needs including the need for casting and splinting
- The need for assistive technology including complex seating and communication devices
- Recommendations regarding the need for home modifications

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Presented introductory workshop on casting children with cerebral palsy, October 2012.
- Pilot study into the impact of using a head switch on the range of motion of the cervical spine, 2006-2007.
- Co-coordinator of one day community symposium to promote the importance of communication for children with complex communication needs.
- Presented “the handwriting readiness of kindergarten students” at the National Paediatric Occupational Therapy Conference, October 2003.

STRENGTHS

- Clear and concise report writing skills
- Current clinical experience

A thorough understanding of the systems in which Allied Health Professionals operate, including the NDIS.