



MedStar National Rehabilitation Hospital

ORIENTATION TO MEDSTAR NRH INPATIENT REHABILITATION

Level 1 Occupational Therapy Students

Students may be selected to come to MedStar NRH for their Level 1 Fieldwork. This experience is usually scheduled early in the curriculum and is a good introductory experience to inpatient rehabilitation occupational therapy. The student will be assigned to a fieldwork educator for the length of their level 1 experience. The student will have a chance to observe treatments, evaluations, and team meetings. Students are encouraged to discuss their goals with their fieldwork educator to increase collaboration and the successful completion of their goals and objectives.

Please download all of the documents below. Complete the questionnaire and bring the questionnaire with you on your first day.

[Orientation letter](#)
[Questionnaire](#)

Level 2 Occupational Therapy Students

Students accepted for a Level 2 affiliation will spend either 8 or 12 weeks at MedStar NRH. By the end of their fieldwork, OTR students will be expected to manage a caseload of between 5-7 patients and a group. OTA students are expected to manage a caseload of 4-5 patients and 2 groups. In addition to patient care, students will be expected to participate in team and family conferences, order equipment, attend all mandatory service meetings, and communicate with the interdisciplinary team.

Students should expect to complete documentation requirements outside of work time (evenings and weekends) or as time allows during the workday. This comprehensive, in-depth experience demands good organizational and time management skills as well as a motivated and flexible individual.

Please download and complete all of the documentation below. Email the completed questionnaire at least two weeks prior to your start date to: neepa.shah@medstar.net, or mail to:

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- [Welcome letter](#)
- [Logistical information](#)
- [Questionnaire](#)
- [OTR Objectives – 8 weeks](#)
- [OTR Objectives – 12 weeks](#)
- [COTA Objectives](#)

For students coming from out of town, it is highly recommended that you limit your commute time as that has shown to be a barrier to a successful experience.