

FREE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SCREENINGS:

CHI St. Joseph's Health offers **FREE occupational therapy screenings** for children birth to 12 years of age. Deanne Kivi, AOTA board certified pediatrics, will determine if occupational therapy could have a positive impact on the learning and developmental skills of your child.

If you have concerns about your child's development or behavior, or your child does not seem to be developing at the same pace as their peers, a 15-minute screen could help establish the best treatment for your child. Early intervention could help your child develop to their full potential.



If your child has difficulty with 3 or more of the below criteria, they may benefit from occupational therapy services.

- Poor fine motor coordination skills: cutting, holding a pencil or spoon, manipulating fasteners, opening & closing containers, etc.
- Difficulty copying shapes or letters, coloring, tracing, poor handwriting, finishing writing assignments in a timely manner
- Difficulty learning motor skills for manipulating objects, or for a new activity or game
- Difficulty learning new motor movements
- Appears clumsy, accident prone, trips or falls frequently
- Poor balance
- Poor ball skills (catching, throwing, kicking)
- Difficulty with playground equipment
- Difficulty with self-care: dressing, bathing, toileting, hygiene
- Poor sleep
- Picky eater, avoids certain tastes or texture, on a limited diet
- Poor posture, weakness
- Difficulty with attention or following directions
- Overly sensitive to movement, touch, sounds
- Impulsive or seeks excessive movement or "crashing" into things
- Difficulty with social interaction, playing with peers, etc.
- Frequent tantrums
- Difficulty riding a bike

For more information or to schedule a free screening, please contact Deanne Kivi, OTR/L, BCP at **218.616.3021**

