**Therapist (Physiotherapist or Occupational Therapist)**

Ontario | Location: Kitchener & Cambridge

**The Opportunity:**

Reporting to the Director, Clinical Care, Arthritis Rehabilitation and Education Program (AREP), the Therapist is an independent primary care practitioner who is responsible for the provision of evidence-based, patient-centred rehabilitation for people with arthritis. Working virtually and in-person within a variety of community settings, the Therapist facilitates the delivery of coordinated and efficient care using a Primary Therapist consultation model of care. The Therapist assess patients and use interventions such as education, exercise instruction and splinting in support of the patient’s self-management goals. The Primary Therapist has a high level of accountability, in an interprofessional team environment and a broad scope of practice.

**Required Skills & Experience:**

* A post-secondary education in Occupational Therapy or Physiotherapy and membership in good standing of the relevant regulatory College of Ontario with at least two (2) years of clinical experience.
* Experience providing rehabilitation and education programming, both virtually and in-person, ideally for people with arthritis and their families.
* Working knowledge of exercise instruction, splinting and community resources.
* Strong computer skills, with proficiency using database programs and the Microsoft Office suite.
* Sufficient internet access at home, and an appropriate and confidential space to effectively deliver virtual care.
* Regular access to a motor vehicle, a valid driver’s license and the ability to travel within the Kitchener and Cambridge localities.

**COVID-19 Vaccinations:** A requirement of employment at the Arthritis Society is to be and remain fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (including receiving such booster vaccinations as are recommended by provincial or federal health authorities from time-to-time). As such, successful candidates must provide satisfactory proof to the Arthritis Society that they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19. The Arthritis Society will consider, on a case-by-case basis, requests for medical or other exemptions from this requirement based on protected grounds under applicable human rights legislation. Where an exemption is granted, an employee may be required to undergo testing for COVID-19 and demonstrate a negative result at regular intervals to be determined by the Arthritis Society, and at the cost of the individual (subject to applicable law). At the Arthritis Society’s discretion, this vaccination requirement may be extended to apply to such other vaccinations as are required or recommended by provincial or federal health authorities to maintain a safe and healthy workplace and community, including by preventing infectious disease transmission.

**What We Do:**

The Arthritis Society is on a mission to fight the fire of arthritis with the fire of research, innovation, advocacy and information and support. That’s because arthritis robs six million Canadians of their mobility, mental and physical well-being, and in some cases, their livelihood. It is Canada’s most common chronic condition, and there is no cure.

**Why Join Us:**

A career at the Arthritis Society is more than just a job. It’s an opportunity to use your talents to push back against the devastation of arthritis. Fighting the fire of arthritis gives meaning to our work, incites collective action and drives us to excellence in all we do. Our bold and ambitious strategic plan, Accelerating Impact, is propelling our work to create transformational change. We are a diverse, innovative, agile and performance-driven culture. Our people are essential to our efforts and we will empower you to be successful in your role. The Arthritis Society is honoured to be a 2019 Canada’s Most Admired™ Corporate Cultures winner, and proud to be accredited under Imagine Canada’s Standards Program.

In furtherance of its mission and strategic priorities, the Arthritis Society commits to promoting inclusion, diversity, equity and access (IDEA) through its information and support, advocacy, programming, internal policies, and governance structures. In selecting individuals and furthering the goals of our IDEA work, the Arthritis Society will aim to ensure that our people reflect the knowledge, experience, skills and diversity (including but not limited to diversity of gender, race, and geographical location) of the communities we live in and serve.

If you are interested in, and qualified for, this exciting opportunity, please submit a cover letter and resume to hr@arthritis.ca by **January 19, 2022**. We thank all applicants for their expression of interest, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

The Arthritis Society is creating an organization that is an exceptional place to work and volunteer. You are encouraged to visit our official careers site at [www.arthritis.ca/careers](http://www.arthritis.ca/careers) where you can view all our current job opportunities across Canada, and learn more about why you should join our team to help extinguish arthritis for good!