

The CRC delivers a range of services to children and adults with disabilities both nationally and locally through our centres in Dublin, Limerick and Waterford and our Outreach Services. The mission of the CRC is that by working together we make a positive difference to the lives of people with disabilities, their families and carers. Our vision is that people with disabilities achieve their potential and live full lives as equal and valued citizens.



Senior Physiotherapist

Gait Analysis Laboratory

Fixed term contract – 1-year, Full Time- 35 hours per week

This post represents an exciting opportunity to work with an experienced multidisciplinary team with extensive experience in clinical gait analysis. Appropriate training and mentorship will be provided in this role. The role is based primarily in Clontarf but will include attendance at outreach clinics in Limerick and Waterford.

Essential requirements are:

- Current CORU registration or evidence of application acceptance for section 91s
- Two years post qualification experience with significant paediatric disability experience.
- Experience working as part of a multidisciplinary team
- Evidence of appropriate, relevant CPD
- Computer literacy
- Fluency in spoken and written English
- Excellent communication, initiative, time management and teamwork skills

Desirable requirements are:

- Full driver's licence
- Knowledge of instrumented gait/movement analysis
- Courses completed in the following areas: CRC Clinical Gait Analysis course/ CRC CP Ambulant course / ESMAC Gait Course

Informal enquiries to Dr. Damien Kiernan, Gait Laboratory Manager (01)8542467 or email dkiernan@crc.ie. Department of Health Salary Scale, Senior Physiotherapist (Salary range € 55,224- €65,024 per annum). Applicants must submit a CV and cover letter to demonstrate how they meet the required skills, competencies, and knowledge for the post.

Please forward a letter of application quoting reference number **CRC122/22** with full CV to Human Resources Department by email to recuit@crc.ie or through Irish Jobs. Applications must be received on or before **5 pm, Tuesday 1st November 2022**. Interviews are scheduled to take place week commencing 7th November.

An active recruitment panel may be created as part of this recruitment process.

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JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title and Grade	Senior Physiotherapist, CRC Gait Laboratory
Location of Post	This post is based in Clontarf. The post holder will have to travel to other sites (Limerick, Waterford) occasionally in accordance with service needs.
Details of Service	<p>Gait analysis is a specialized medical service consisting of a 3-d computerized simulation of walking. The objective information provided enables the Gait Laboratory team to differentiate between a number of conditions, to make recommendations for surgical, medical and conservative interventions, to monitor a client's progress and growth and to objectively evaluate the different treatments. The main Gait Laboratory is located in Clontarf, Dublin and the Gait Laboratory also provides outreach services to the South West and South East of the country. There are three major areas of work in the Gait Laboratory, namely, clinical gait analysis, education, and research. The Senior Physiotherapist is engaged in all three areas. Currently, the staff in the Gait Laboratory includes one clinical specialist engineer, senior physiotherapists, gait technologist, a manager, and an administrator. Weekly review clinics take place with a Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon or Consultant Paediatrician.</p> <p>The <i>equipment</i> used in the lab includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coda Motion Analysis System. • Delsys EMG system. • Kistler Force plates. • Codamotion video vector system
Reporting Relationship:	The post holder will report to the Gait Laboratory Manager
Key Working Relationships:	<p>The post holder will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with the gait laboratory team (Senior Physiotherapists, Gait Lab Engineer, Gait Technologist, Administrator, Orthopaedic Surgeons) • Liaise with CRC Physiotherapists, Medical Consultants and other CRC Staff • Build good working relations with referrers to the CRC Gait Laboratory and other stakeholders important to Gait Laboratory service and CRC organisation
Purpose of the Post	The senior physiotherapist will be responsible for conducting a clinical caseload as assigned by the Gait Laboratory manager and in accordance with service needs. The physiotherapist may contribute to the research and education output of the laboratory depending on service needs and individual experience.
Principal Duties and Responsibilities	<p><u><i>Clinical Gait Analysis</i></u></p> <p>This is the main focus of the post and of the work in the laboratory. The senior physiotherapist will provide skilled physiotherapy assessment and diagnosis of clients with a wide range of complex conditions, demonstrating a high level of clinical effectiveness.</p> <p>Specific tasks will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquiring data accurately using the above equipment. • Conducting <i>clinical</i> assessments as per gait lab protocols.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducting <i>functional</i> assessments. • Writing comprehensive reports. • Participating in weekly clinical review meetings. • Communicating results to referrers. <p>The therapist is also required to be available to partake in the mobile gait analysis service. This involves traveling to outreach locations outside of Dublin and will entail overnight stays away from Dublin. The therapist is expected to take part in the setting up and dismantling of the mobile Gait Laboratory and to liaise with local personnel to ensure an effective and smooth delivery of the outreach service.</p> <p><u>Education</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The therapist may be required to participate in workshops, lectures, in-services, seminars and case presentations throughout the year. <p><u>Research and Development</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The therapist may be required to contribute to the on-going research work in the laboratory. <p><u>Communications</u></p> <p>Strong emphasis is placed on good communication in relation to the work in the laboratory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The therapist is expected to have good communication skills relating to children, families/carers, therapists in house and from outside agencies and medical professionals. • The therapist is expected to liaise closely with the manager of the Gait Laboratory in relation to all aspects of their work. • The therapist is responsible for ensuring that Gait Laboratory reports are completed, correct and ready for distribution to referrers within an acceptable time period. <p><u>Administrative</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The senior physiotherapist will be expected to conduct a certain amount of routine administrative duties as assigned by the Gait Laboratory manager. • The therapist will ensure that patient records throughout the department are accurate and comprehensive and in line with legal requirements and best standards of clinical practice. <p><u>Health and Safety</u></p> <p>The senior physiotherapist will comply with all of CRC's policies and procedures in relation to child and adult protection and health and safety etc.</p> <p><i>These duties and responsibilities are a reflection of the present service requirements and may be subject to review and amendment by the gait laboratory manager to meet the changing needs of the gait laboratory. The post holder will be expected to contribute to the development of the post while in office.</i></p>
Terms and Conditions	<p>Pay Scale:</p> <p>Hours of Work: Negotiable</p> <p>Contract Status: 6-months</p>

<p>Qualifications and requirements</p>	<p>Essential requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current CORU registration or evidence of application acceptance for section 91s • Three years post qualification experience with significant paediatric disability experience. • Experience working as part of a multidisciplinary team • Evidence of appropriate, relevant CPD • Computer literacy • Fluency in spoken and written English • Excellent communication, initiative, time management and teamwork skills <p>Desirable requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full driver's licence • Knowledge of instrumented gait/movement analysis • Courses completed in the following areas: CRC Clinical Gait Analysis course/ CRC CP Ambulant course / ESMAC Gait Course