

Physical Therapy

Who Qualifies for these services?

Students qualify for these services if they:

- have significant physical or sensory-motor limitations that impact their activity and participation at school. This is determined by the physical therapist in consultation with the school-based team.

Who provides the services?

Description of staff qualifications:

- a Bachelor or Masters degree from a university Physiotherapy
- registered with the College of Physical Therapists of BC

How is the service provided?

Physical Therapist may:

- assess the impact of a student's disability on school performance
- work in collaboration with members of the school team to develop and implement the IEP
- interpret medical information and the educational implications
- train staff in the use of specialized equipment, back care and proper techniques for lifting and handling students
- recommend specialized equipment, modifications. or adaptations to promote participation and the highest level of independence in school, home and community settings
- work with teachers, support staff and parents to provide programs that enhance the fine and gross motor function of students with disabilities
- facilitate referrals to appropriate community and medical services
- recommend adaptations or modifications to optimize participation in physical education programs
- assist with transitions into kindergarten, through middle and secondary school and to adult services