

Online OT... Really?

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BENEFITS

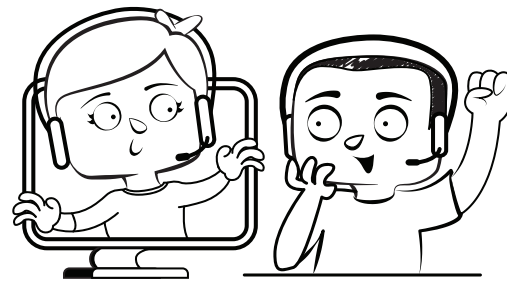


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The ability to bring physically distant, highly skilled OTs to any student, anywhere, including in the classroom, on the playground, or at home

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Students today are naturally "at home" with technology and therefore tend to be more engaged with a virtual provider



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No drive time between schools and therefore more quality time with students; flexible scheduling for schools and OTs

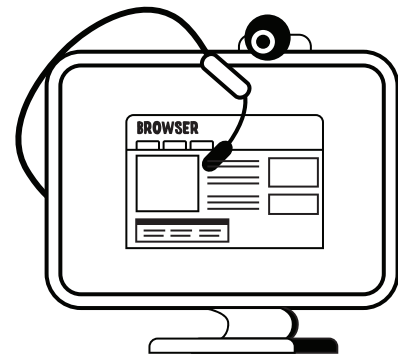


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Electronic data tracking and documentation

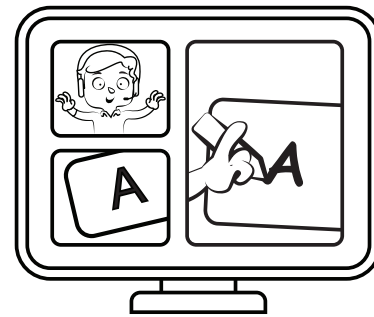


HOW IT WORKS IN SCHOOLS



Basic tools and materials needed:

- Mac or PC with an up-to-date web browser
- Internet connection & external web camera
- Microphone and speakers or a high quality USB headset with a microphone
- Web-based service



What skills can be developed online?

- Fine motor
- Sensory integration
- Visual motor integration
- Gross motor
- Assistive technology
- Self-care



How do you do OT online?

Occupational Therapists work with students and consult with their teachers, paraprofessionals or classroom aides, parents and other providers using the same ideas and activities as they would in-person, the only difference being that sessions take place via live videoconferencing

DATA TRACKING

Student demographic data, progress data and daily session notes can be stored securely and electronically, therefore immediately accessible to OTs, administrators and/or parents, anytime, anywhere



In-session, quantitative data is collected over multiple sessions and is viewable in graph format for ease in tracking progress

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