

# KELLI M. EASLEY, MOT, OTR

## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

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Occupational Therapist with over 17 years' experience in pediatrics. Practical clinical skills in treating pediatric patients in a variety of settings, including inpatient/outpatient hospital, NICU, and home health/early intervention. Concentrated treatment of children with behavioral and oral motor feeding difficulties. Certified pediatric kinesio taping practitioner. Private practice owner with experience starting a pediatric therapy practice that now completes 350 weekly visits. A clinical assistant professor at UMHB teaches pediatric, leadership, management, professional writing, case-based, and integrative project courses. I am the academic fieldwork coordinator completing all level 1 and level 2 fieldwork placements for students in the master's program. I serve on the recruitment and retention committee at UMHB.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### University of Mary Hardin Baylor – Academic fieldwork coordinator and assistant professor

Jan 2023-Present

I serve as a clinical assistant professor specializing in pediatric courses and leadership and management. I currently teach a variety of courses, including pediatrics, case-based, professional writing, and integrative projects. I also serve as the academic fieldwork coordinator and manage all contracts and affiliation agreements for the program and student placements.

### Therapeds Works – Owner/Occupational Therapist

July 2014 – Present

#### Owner/Occupational Therapist / Harker Heights, TX

I founded a pediatric occupational therapy and speech therapy practice in Harker Heights, TX, with the hope of filling a need for pediatric therapy in the area. At the clinic, we treat a wide array of children with varying diagnoses. I continue to complete patient care daily and manage and operate the clinic.

- Program development for pediatric occupational therapy and speech therapy programs at the clinic.
- Managerial tasks include credentialing providers with insurance, completing billing and claims processing, marketing the clinic to the community and physicians, and daily clinic operations.
- Coordinated the clinic budget and staffing
- A level I and level II fieldwork site for universities across the state. A strong educational experience is offered to ensure students successfully evaluate and provide intervention to pediatric patients with a variety of diagnoses.
- Community outreach projects through sponsorship of events, organizing fundraisers, and bringing awareness to the community about the population we serve.

### Move with Me Physical Therapy- Fayetteville, NC

June 2012 – April 2014

Provided pediatric occupational therapy services to the community as a home health provider.

- Completed evaluation and intervention for pediatric patients

### Christus Santa Rosa Children's Hospital – San Antonio, TX

September 2011 – March 2012

NICU occupational therapist in a level III C unit. Multi-disciplinary team with OT, PT, ST, and neonatologist.

- Completed infant feeding assessment and intervention. Administer the NOMAS (Neonatal Oral-Motor Assessment Scale).
- Administered developmentally appropriate care through positioning and handling, range of motion, and splint fabrication. • Implemented cue-based feeding initiative
- Served on developmental committee and parent education committee creating parent education materials and staff education in services on premature and medically fragile infant.

### Womack Army Regional Medical Center - Fort Bragg, NC

September 2010 – June 2011

Pediatric occupational therapist in the NICU, inpatient, and outpatient hospital setting. Member of pediatric feeding team completing evaluations and treatments. Developmental clinic team members completed assessment and administering standardized test and intervention.

- Feeding Team Clinic member: oral motor and behavioral-based feeding intervention with a multidisciplinary team, including OT, ST, and dietician.

- Established, organized, and maintained treatment protocol for torticollis.
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**North Texas Rehabilitation Center/Early Childhood Intervention – Wichita Falls, TX**

**February 2010 – September 2010**

Pediatric Occupational Therapist completing in-home therapy for children ages 0-3 years.

- Completed evaluations and interventions for pediatric patients.
- Established Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSP) for families and patients. Collaborated with team members, including PT, OT, ST, early childhood interventionists, and case managers.
- Served as service coordination for families and patients, organizing and initiating patient care plans.

**Sooner Start/Early Childhood Intervention – Lawton, OK**

**December 2009 – Sept 2010**

Pediatric Occupational Therapist completing in home therapy for children ages 0-3 years.

- Completed evaluations and interventions for pediatric patients.
- Established Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSP) for families and patients. Collaborated with team members, including PT, OT, ST, early childhood interventionists, and case managers.
- Served as service coordinator for families and patients, organizing and initiating patient care plans.

**Christus Santa Rosa Children’s Hospital – San Antonio, TX**

**May 2007 – November 2009**

Pediatric Occupational Therapist in the outpatient/inpatient hospital setting and NICU

- Outpatient therapist treating a variety of diagnoses, fabricating splints, and feeding and oral motor therapy
- Co-developed a Therapeutic Feeding Clinic with a primary focus on providing therapy for children with feeding and eating disorders. Therapies include oral motor exercises, correct diet consistencies for safety, sensory-based feeding disorder treatment, and behavioral feeding therapy.
- Feeding Clinic team members under the supervision of a physician. Collaborated with a physician, gastroenterologist, speech therapist, and dietician to evaluate and provide intervention for patients.
- I am a NICU therapist who provides developmentally appropriate care, including feeding, positioning, ROM, and fabricating splints. I am also a mentor for the cue-based feeding initiative in the NICU. I served on developmental committees and parent education committees, providing parent and staff education on premature and medically fragile infants.

**EDUCATION**

**Doctorate in Educational Leadership**, Liberty University, expected completion 2025

**Masters in Occupational Therapy** | University of Texas health Science Center in San Antonio, San Antonio, TX – 2004 - 2007

**Bachelor of Science, Psychology** | University of Texas A&M, College Station, TX – 2000 - 2004

**CERTIFICATIONS/ORGANIZATIONS**

Texas Licensure - 112291

NBCOT Licensure - 232234

AOTA Member

Certified Infant Massage Instructor – Loving Touch Foundation – R0938

Pediatric Kinesiology Taping Practitioner – FMT Pediatric Certified

Harker heights Chamber of Commerce Member

Wilma West Award Recipient - 2007