# MICHELLE VAN BILJON, O.T.

## **EDUCATION**

• Bachelor of Science, Occupational Therapy, University of Alberta, 1999

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/TRAINING

- Matheson Cognitive Functional Capacity Evaluation Course (2022)
- West Coast Brain Injury Conference (2022)
- Foundations in brain injury rehabilitation: Mild to Moderate severity CAOT (2022)
- Trauma-Informed Care Crisis and Trauma Resource Institute (2022)
- BrainX Symposium BrainTrust Canada (2021, 2019).
- Choosing the Right Cognitive Assessment in Post-Acute Care Setting CAOT webinar (2020)
- Cognitive Rehabilitation Program Review CBI Health Group (2020)
- Comprehensive Automotive Mobility Solutions for Health Professionals-Alliance Mobility (2019)
- Concussion Management Workshop Level 1, Concussion Rehab Works (2018)
- Matheson Advanced Functional Capacity Evaluation course (2018)
- Cost of Future Care & Functional Testing: Preparing Defensible Life Care Plans, Jodi Fischer, OT (2015)
- Matheson Cognitive Functional Capacity Evaluation Course (2014)
- Mild Traumatic Brain Injury and Brain Injury and Rehabilitation: an overview Centre for Neuroskills Continuing Education on-line course (2014)
- Enabling Occupation through the Assessment and Treatment of Cognitive Impairments in Adults
  CAOT (2014)
- Ergonomic Products for Industrial Use, Crystal Mayfield/OT Valley Ergonomics (2012)
- Whole Body Vibration and Heavy Equipment Ergonomics, Judy Village, UBC School of Public and Population Health (2012)
- Power Mobility Training (2012)
- Matheson Functional Capacity Evaluation Certification Program (2008)
- Ergonomic Assessment of Upper Limb Risk Factors for Effective Return-to-Work Program (2007)
- Return to Work Support Services Workshop (2006)
- Vancouver Community Mental Health Rehab Services Workshop: Young Adults and Serious Mental Illness: Developing a Network of Rehabilitation Services (2003)
- Management of Rheumatic Diseases Workshop (2001)
- Biomechanics and Orthotic Therapy, including gait and pressure analysis (2000)

#### **RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

## Re:Function Health Group Inc.: 2022 to present

**Registered Occupational Therapist** 

- Functional Capacity Evaluations, including Cognitive Functional Capacity Evaluations
- Medical Legal Functional Capacity Evaluation & Cost of Future Care Assessments & reports
- Community occupational therapy services
- WorkSafe Programs: Occupational Therapy Services, Heavy Equipment Operator and Commercial Driving Assessments, and Functional Capacity Evaluations

#### **Braintrust Canada: 2019 to present**

Registered occupational therapist

 Provide occupational therapy services to clients in the Neuro-recovery program, including intake, progress and discharge assessments; education; return to work support when required.

#### Spectrum Rehabilitation/CBI: 2017 to 2022

**Registered Occupational Therapist** 

- WorkSafeBC Functional Capacity Evaluations
- WorkSafeBC Heavy Equipment Operation & Commercial Driving Assessments
- WorkSafeBC Community Occupational Therapy (Brain Injury)
- WorkSafe BC Return to Work Support Services
- Medical Legal Functional Capacity Evaluation & Cost of Future Care Assessments & reports
- ICBC Community Occupational Therapy services

#### OrionHealth, Progressive Rehab: 2010 - 2017

**Registered Occupational Therapist** 

- WorksafeBC Functional Capacity Evaluations
- WorkSafeBC Return to Work Support Services
- WorkSafe BC Employee Risk Assessments and WCAT Risk Assessments
- Ergonomic Assessments
- Community Occupational Therapy services including hospital discharge planning and support, equipment assessment/prescription, home accessibility and modifications; case coordination

#### OrionHealth, Vancouver Pain Clinic: 2005 - 2010

**Registered Occupational Therapist** 

- Chronic Pain Program
- WorkSafe BC Occupational Rehabilitation II and ASTD program
- Job site visits and development and monitoring of graduated return to work plans
- Providing education to clients on a 1:1 basis as well in a group setting

## Mental Health Residential Services: 2002 - 2004

**Registered Occupational Therapist** 

- Psychosocial Rehabilitation based assessments and treatment plans
- Liaising with mental health teams and other community agencies to advocate and access services for consumers. Administrative duties, supervision of peer support workers and maintenance of statistics.

## Richmond Hospital: 1999 – 2002

Occupational Therapist Grade I

- Outpatient services for the Arthritis Program.
- Fabrication of basic hand splints and foot orthotics.
- Assessing cognitive, physical, and functional abilities of older adults with acute mental illness. Planning treatment and providing interventions and discharge planning.
- Dysphagia screening.

## **DEMONSTRATED COMPETENCIES**

#### **Functional Capacity Evaluations:**

- Experienced using standardized, evidenced based functional testing equipment
- Able to use job demand task analysis to develop meaningful and specific work simulation work circuits to incorporate in functional testing
- Able to interpret functional test measures and forecast return to work capacity
- Able to identify functional need for temporary task modifications or permanent accommodations during return-to-work planning

## **Community Adult Rehabilitation:**

- Physical, psychosocial, and cognitive assessments, recommendations and implementing of rehabilitation treatment plans.
- Job site visits; workplace ergonomic assessments; equipment recommendations and set-up of equipment; return to work planning and monitoring.
- Home Safety Assessments with recommendation, training and provision of mobility aids, adaptive equipment and community resources to optimize client safety in the home.

## **Expert Witness**

 Accepted as an Expert Witness for Functional Capacity Evaluation into the Supreme Court of British Columbia in March 2015