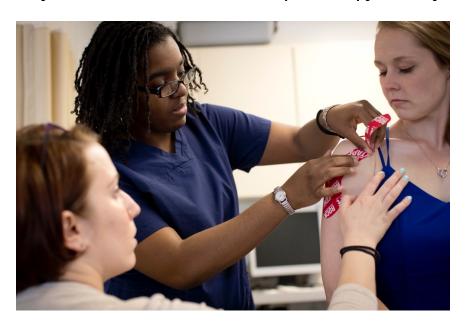


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## Salus University's New Clinical Site Offers Unique Therapy to Philly Community



Elkins Park, Pa. — April is National Occupational Therapy (OT) Month and the Occupational Therapy Institute (OTI) of Salus University, the clinical facility for the Department of Occupational Therapy, recently expanded the care and services it provides to the local community. Located in West Oak Lane within The Eye Institute (TEI), OTI is the University's newest clinical facility, joining TEI, the Pennsylvania Ear Institute (PEI) and the Speech-Language Institute (SLI).

In addition to full pediatric and adult assessments and screenings with individual and group intervention sessions, OTI of Salus is offering assistance with navigating COVID-19

vaccination registrations, acting as a resource to help guide community members on receiving the COVID-19 vaccine.

Currently, there is no charge for services offered at the clinical facility, and both in-person and telehealth appointments are available by request. For more information or support with navigating the COVID-19 vaccination registration process, contact OTI at 215.276.3646.

OT as a healthcare service, is an individualized therapy for all ages. OTI therapists at Salus assess the client, their environment and the supports and barriers that limit or challenge their ability to complete daily activities. Whether it's difficulty dressing after a recent stroke, a child experiencing challenges with handwriting or aging at home, OTI services promote increased independence in activities associated with everyday living. Philadelphia area families, caregivers and care-partners can receive support with hurdles surrounding feeding, bathing, dressing, household management, education, play and social participation, for example.

Additionally, OTI will serve as the clinical training site for graduate students at Salus, offering diverse clinical experiences that emphasize various specializations. Many students may have the opportunity to contribute to the services provided by OTI through fieldwork experience or creating educational materials, researching local resources that could benefit clients.

The University's OT program offers an inter-professional academic experience and clinical preparation of both master's and doctoral students, leading to improved health and well-being for the individuals, communities and populations graduates will serve. For more information about the OT program at Salus, visit www.salus.edu/occupational-therapy.

For more information about services offered by OTI at Salus, visit www.salusuhealth.com/OTI.

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Salus University, founded as the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in 1919, today is a diversified, globally recognized professional academic center of learning that offers a wide range of degree programs in the professions of Optometry, Audiology, Physician Assistant, Blindness and Low Vision Studies, Biomedicine, Occupational Therapy and Speech-Language Pathology. Salus operates four clinical facilities in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties that provide highly specialized vision, hearing and balance, speech-language pathology services and occupational therapy. The University has more than 1,200 students, and more than 14,000 alumni worldwide. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.salus.edu">www.salus.edu</a>.