

My Job ROCKS!

Why Kayla's Job Rocks:

Kayla Johnson, OTR, RPSF-C

After completing graduate school in 2012, Kayla Johnson, OTR, RPSF-C, was excited to begin her career as an occupational therapist at Divine Savior Healthcare. Since Kayla started she has cared for many patients in the outpatient rehab department, working with patients who need a wide variety of therapy services including orthopedic, cognitive, and neurological and ranging of all ages from pediatrics to geriatrics.



Being part of the Divine Savior Healthcare team, Kayla shares, "I have had the opportunity to work side by side with some pretty amazing therapists with a wide variety of expertise. I am able to learn from them and expand my knowledge and skills. The high level of skills at this facility contributes to an expectation that we all must continue to grow our skills to adequately serve our client population."

Kayla took that initiative to grow her skills and with continued education opportunities at Divine Savior she went through the process of gaining a certification in stroke rehabilitation. The rehab department worked with her every step of the way to complete the certification process. She enjoys this new skill set and it has made an impact on her life and the work she does every day.

Kayla shares, "Whenever I have stroke patients who regain abilities that contribute to their quality of life it is very touching. For example, I have had patients who relearn how to bathe themselves or put on their own socks once again. It does not seem like much to someone who still has these abilities, but for those who lose the ability to complete these tasks independently, it is life changing to regain that ability once again."

It didn't take Kayla long to realize a career in occupational therapy was right for her. During a high school trip to a rehab center in Green Bay she saw the occupational therapists helping people regain independence and saw how much they loved their job. She knew at that point that it was what she wanted to do.

Kayla grew up in Portage and loves the fact that everything you need is right here in the community. It has been rewarding for her to work at Divine Savior Healthcare as she thinks her co-workers are great people to work with and loves working with people that know her and her family.

It is Kayla's family that inspired her to be where she is today and all she's accomplished. She thanks her parents and her fiancé, Jon, for all their support and encouragement, and is also very grateful for how accommodating her supervisors are with allowing her to create a proper balance between work and home life.

Kayla highly recommends seeking a career at Divine Savior Healthcare. She shares, "We are like a family. Everyone works together and, I feel that, the administrators take personality into consideration when hiring people. This contributes to a friendly and inviting atmosphere where everyone feels like they are a team."