The need for occupational therapists is expected to increase as the large baby-boom generation ages and people remain active later in life.

Occupational therapy will continue to be an important part of treatment for people with various illnesses, injuries, and disabilities, such as Alzheimer’s disease, autism, traumatic brain injury, stroke, and substance abuse.

Employment areas include, but are not limited to, hospitals, schools, skilled nursing facilities, outpatient care, and home health care.