MALAMULELE ONWARD’S THEORY OF CHANGE

Our Ultimate Goal
All children with CP living in rural areas reach their best potential within a supportive environment

Rural CP services begin to have a positive and sustainable impact on children with CP and their families

- Parents attending the service no longer feel hopeless and isolated as they come to understand and accept their children with CP and acquire the necessary skills to care for them
- Therapists and midlevel workers gain an appreciation for the role of parents in achieving therapeutic outcomes and are able to provide high quality and effective therapy to children with CP
- Driven by our approach that emphasises CP as a way of life, the structure of the CP service becomes holistic, efficient and effective at reaching all children with CP within the local area

Our online resources provide additional support to rural CP services and facilitate shared learning between them

We conduct formal research to learn more about CP in resource-constrained settings, parent’s experiences and what intervention strategies work best for children with CP

- Trained parents become a valuable resource to their local CP service where they are active participants, who are able to teach practical skills to other parents
- Therapists & midlevel workers become experienced at applying their understanding and skills effectively and in so doing, gain a deeper understanding of what parents experience
- Rural CP services are exposed to fresh ideas for increasing the effectiveness and reach of their service and receive ongoing support

We invite children with CP, their parents, therapists and midlevel workers to attend our Residential Therapy Programme in Johannesburg

Our teams of experienced therapists conduct annual outreach mentoring visits to rural areas where we work together with the CP service, support the trained parents and visit children in their home environment

- Parents of children with CP have access to information on CP and how it affects their children, taught in their own language and by someone who has lived the same journey
- Therapists, midlevel workers and care workers are equipped with appropriate skills and understand where to start when working with children with CP
- Rural therapists have new ideas on how to restructure their CP clinics to deliver a better service

We train parents of children with CP to run workshops on CP for others in their local area

We develop and provide practical training courses on CP for therapists, midlevel workers and care workers

Resource Mobilisation
We recognise parents of children with CP as valuable resources who can be mobilised through training, empowerment and support

Capability Development
We enhance the capability and skills of health care workers at all levels of a CP service

Process Improvement
We provide innovative strategies and ongoing support to shape the quality and effectiveness of rural CP services

Pathways of Influence
We aim to achieve our ultimate goal by influencing rural CP services along three integrated pathways

Our Activities
What we do

Our Outcomes
What we aim to achieve through our activities