

Developing Afrocentric Occupational Therapy: Integrating Indigenous Knowledge Systems in Sub-Saharan Africa

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“They always want to fix the problem, but they don’t look at the functionality of these children.”

— Community-based rehabilitation practitioner, Ghana



A different starting point

IMPORTED ASSUMPTIONS

Fix the impairment

Independence as goal

Clinic-centered care

GROUNDING PRACTICE IN GHANA

Focus on the strengths of clients

Interdependence as strength

Rehabilitation in homes &
communities

Rehabilitation Reimagined

Africa as a Site of Theory Production

