

Michigan Occupational Therapy Association



MESSAGE FROM THE CO-LEADERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, BY DENISE JUSTICE & KIRSTEN MATTHEWS

IN THIS ISSUE



Spring has sprung! Although many feel as though they “hibernate” all winter rest assured MiOTA has remained busy all winter. Below is a brief summary of the things going on in MiOTA.

1. **FALL CONFERENCE** – Grand Rapids: We’ve been planting seeds for conference this fall and we have received over 30 presentations. This year’s conference is in Grand Rapids October 6th and 7th and will be going on the same time as Art Prize! Stevie Hopkins will be our Key Note Speaker this year and the 5K walk/run will occur on October 5th. Based on previous year’s feedback from Exhibitors, we have changed the format of the Exhibition time to one-day only. Last year, we received outstanding feedback from our exhibitors on the great turnout they had. We are still looking for exhibitors – if you know of any exhibitors or your company would like to exhibit, please give us a call or email at the MiOTA office!

2. **ADVOCACY** - Advocacy efforts are blossoming as evidenced by the success with the Lansing Lobby Day

on April 22nd. Cultivation of MiOTA advocacy efforts continues as we are monitoring a variety of bills that could impact the practice of Occupational Therapists within the state of Michigan. There recently was a new draft of the Occupational Therapy Rules for Michigan by the Board of OT and we have some concerns and would like some clarification regarding the draft, so we will have a workgroup this coming month (email us if you’d like to participate) and a presence at the next State of Michigan Board of OT meeting. As some of you may know, Michigan was chosen as a state to receive a grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSA) to develop Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC). The clinics are to service individuals across the lifespan, including children with serious emotional disturbances, adults with serious mental illness, those with long-term and serious substance use disorders and those with substance use disorders and mental illness. The purpose of the grant is to certify clinics, develop a prospective payment system (PPS) for Medicaid reimbursable services and prepare an application for a two-

year demonstration program of those clinics. Although SAMSA lists Occupational Therapy as a recommended provider, we are not a required provider, which is what we would like to be. We are initiating a grass roots effort to get Occupational Therapy a place at the table in Michigan. Please see the grass roots letter and intro later in this newsletter for details.

3. **NETWORKING** - Chapter meetings are springing up all over the state. Exciting webinars are popping up every month - a FREE member benefit.

4. **LEADERSHIP** - And just like there are changes in the “gardening staff” through the seasons, reorganizing and changes of the MiOTA Executive Committee has occurred as well. Kristen Clore has stepped away from the finance director position and Cindy Klinger was appointed by the MiOTA board as her replacement. We are sad to announce that Denise Hoffman will also be leaving as she is pursuing job interests outside of the state of Michigan. Kirsten is on Maternity leave with her baby, but is still helping with MiOTA stuff as needs come up. Denise attended the

Affiliation of State Association Presidents (ASAP) meeting in Chicago in April during the AOTA conference and came back with lots of great ideas. Also, MiOTA won an award at that meeting for our work so far on the Transition Planning you'll read a bit more about in the "Structure Changes" section below.

5. STRUCTURE CHANGES (MISSION, VISION, BYLAWS, BOARD STRUCTURE) - Some additional garden changes are expected over the next year as we plan to revise the mission and vision of MiOTA, our By-Laws, and our website / advertising services. Our bylaws committee met last month to move forward with some structural changes and the Association Assembly voted in favor of pursuing a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary structure more similar to what other states have instead of our current "corporation structure" due to member comments/concerns that our current structure is too difficult to understand. We are also in the final process of launching the new Mission & Vision Campaign and you will likely see surveys through the listserv and on Facebook early this summer.

6. CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2016 ELECTIONS – The positions of Membership Director and Member-at-Large are up for re-election. If you are interested in running for either of these positions, please submit your nomination to the MiOTA office NO LATER THAN JULY 1st, 2016.

7. SPRING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE - Given the difficult financial climate in the state of Michigan our garden has had trouble growing its membership/income. The Winter/Spring season is financially

the hardest for MiOTA as it is our slowest for new membership & renewals and we do not have additional supplemental income from the Fall Conference like we do in the summer and fall. We've had a number of people comment that they would like to see the Membership "discounts" again, so for the month of May, we have decided to bring back the 20% off membership dues for both renewals and new memberships. Use the discount code May2016 to get the discount if you renew online.

Spread the word and share with others why you are part of MiOTA! Please help sustain MiOTA for the long-run, encourage your colleagues to join! Help your MiOTA garden grow!

Thank you, as always, for your membership. We couldn't do it without you.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Matthews Denise Justice
 
 Co-Leader of the Executive Committee Co-Leader of the Executive Committee

MiOTA Communications Update by Sara Clark

Lansing, MI was a hot spot during April, occupational therapy month! In addition to OT Lansing Lobby Day on April 21st, 2016, the MiOTA Lansing Network Chapter was reactivated on April 13th, 2016. The new chapter leaders, Alissa Baker and Cheri

Ramirez, spearheaded the organization of the first chapter meeting at Wardcliff Abilities Center in East Lansing, MI. The meeting agenda included networking opportunities for local clinicians, an overview of MiOTA's mission, OT Lansing Lobby Day goals, and the vision for the new Lansing MiOTA chapter. The group is planning their next meeting for Tuesday June 7th from 6 - 7:30 PM at Wardcliff Abilities Center.



All MiOTA Networking Chapters have their own page on the MiOTA website. To find more information about the chapter activities closest to you, go to the MiOTA Communications tab on the home page of the MiOTA website and then click on the Networking Chapters link. MiOTA currently has six active chapters: Upper Peninsula, Lansing, Huron Valley, Detroit, Southwest, and West. Thank you to all the chapter leaders for your volunteer time to facilitate networking, mentoring and education sessions to OT and OTA clinicians in the state of Michigan.

MOTEC MEMO

By: Sara Clark, MOTEC Member and AFWC of Western Michigan University

MOTEC (The Michigan Occupational Therapy Education Consortium) has exciting news to report to this spring! The consortium is a collaborative group of all the OT and OTA Academic Fieldwork Coordinators in the state of Michigan. One new member has joined our consortium and one longstanding member is celebrating retirement. The newest addition to the MOTEC team is Donna Frollo, MSOT, OTRL. She is an alum of Saginaw Valley State University. Her clinical background is in geriatrics, with a strong emphasis on dementia care. She has always wanted to join an academic occupational therapy team. Her favorite part of her new job is having the opportunity to see the students grow from the classroom to future clinicians. Prior to her career as an occupational therapist, Donna served in the U.S. Navy for almost nine years in the field of nuclear propulsion. While on active duty, she was diagnosed with cubital tunnel syndrome. Donna reports that the diagnosis was a bit of blessing, since it introduced her to the wonderful world of occupational therapy!

MOTEC is sad to say goodbye to Bill Sisco, as he retires from his position as the Academic Fieldwork Coordinator at Grand Valley State University. All MOTEC members have learned a wealth of fieldwork information from Bill, during his 15 years as an AFWC. We wish him well in the next chapter of his life in South Carolina!

The 2016 MOTEC Fieldwork Educator Day program, titled

Building Intentional Learning Experiences, will launch in May 2016. The free one-day program will be offered four times in 2016, at four different locations:

May 6th, 2016 = Grand Valley State University

May 13th, 2016 = Eastern Michigan University

September 23rd, 2016 = Baker College of Flint

November 11th, 2016 = Macomb Community College

The 2016 program agenda includes a panel of recent graduates sharing their fieldwork experiences, an overview of the new AOTA *Code of Ethics* (2015), and active work groups to develop intentional learning resources for fieldwork education. You can find the registration form for the program on the MOTEC page of the MiOTA website: <http://www.miota.org/motec.php>.

Thank you to all fieldwork educators for your generous teaching time with all OT and OTA students in the state of Michigan. Fieldwork students are the future of our profession.

Finance Director Report

I am excited to take on the position of finance director for MiOTA. My background, which supports my ability to function as finance director include working for Chase Bank for 29 years in rolls from Teller to Assistant Vice President. My name is Cindy Klinger. I have a BA in Speech, Psychology and Physical Education. Upon retirement from banking. I sought a new career which included returning to school

to obtain a degree in the field of Occupational Therapy. I graduated from Baker College Muskegon in December 2011 and love my new career. I have been afforded the opportunity to work for a variety of companies traveling throughout MI including: Concept Rehab, ProStep, Mary Free Bed, HCR Manor Care and Functional Pathways.

During the past 5 years I have also had the opportunity to serve on the MIOTA Conference Planning Committee and MIOTA Advocacy Committee.

I join each of you in jointly advancing MIOTA through growing the membership and finances during the coming term. Currently our financial report is as follows:

APRIL Finance Report

Income: Budget \$94,801.00

(Actual \$9,175)

Expenses: Budget \$94,770.00

(Actual \$6,060)

**Income versus Expense:
Budget \$31**

(Actual \$3,115) PROFIT

THIS MONTH:

MiOTA Checking	\$5,979.69
MiOTA Savings	\$2,505.81
MiOTA Scholarship	\$24,047.94

Friends of OT in Michigan Political Action Committee— Spring 2016 Update

Between October, 2013 (when we re-activated the PAC) and September 2015, we had raised \$3,630.02. During the month of October, 2015, we raised another \$1,387! The goal was \$2,000 for 2015. We are close to that goal, but there is still time to meet/surpass our goal to support candidates who are in positions to positively represent occupational therapists in MI. Our “grand total” is \$5,128.02, but that has to be split with candidates throughout the state, so if we could round that total up to \$6,000, we would be better able to make contributions that would get really noticed by the candidates.

The Friends of OT in MI follow the recommendations of the Executive Committee after consulting with our lobbyist for which candidates to support with our PAC funds. One of the strategies that the MiOTA Executive Committee is considering this year is paying for MiOTA members who have also contributed to the Friends of OT in MI to attend fund raising events for candidates that our lobbyist, Brent Mayhr, has highlighted as good candidates for OT to support. MiOTA will have a training webinar to help interested MiOTA and Friends of OT in MI members understand the talking points for the candidate or key staff members.

We have over \$5,000, but we don’t have as many donors this year as in the past. Please consider making a donation now to help support our members (which could be you if you live in the highlighted district, have contributed to the PAC and are interested) in attending the fund raising events. This year we didn’t have ANY student donations (\$5 donations are very welcome), and many of our universities and colleges are not yet represented. Let’s increase our contributions to position us strongly in the next election!

Please note that our PO Box # has changed from a few years ago—the correct PO box is on the contribution form. We do still need your name, address, phone #, occupation, place of employment and employment address. Contributions can only come from individuals—not companies/organizations. This is the federal law for political action committees. We do have a Square Reader to take credit cards, but can only accept cards in person. Contact me at Debra.Lindstrom@wmich.edu if you have questions. If people are interested, we will work at having someone with a Square Reader at chapter meetings if there are people who are wanting to make donations at the meetings.

Ask a MiOTA Membership committee to join your team meeting...

“I want to thank MiOTA for extending the invitation to come and speak to our staff about the General Rules. To help us celebrate OT Month, we accepted their offer and Cathleen Johnson came out and did a wonderful presentation. It was very informative and sparked some great questions from our staff! She also presented the advantages and benefits to its members and all the hard work MiOTA does to keep our profession protected. I highly recommend your clinic take them up on their offer!” - Daun Pascaretti, OTRL, MiOTA member, PT/OT Supervisor Beaumont Hospital

MiOTA Membership Numbers

Member Type	Paid Thru 5.2.16
Associate	1
Honorary	9
OT	363
OTA	47
Retired	13
Student	191
TOTAL	624

2016 Call for Nominations for MiOTA Office

Description of Positions:

If you are interested in running for one of these positions, please submit your contact information, autobiography (brief and suitable for publication) and position statement to MiOTA by July 1st, 2016.

The Election Ballots will be in the Summer Newsletter. Candidates will be notified of election results within 15 days of the close of the election and membership will be notified via email blast within 15 days of the close of the election. In addition, election results will be shared at the Fall Membership Meeting at the MiOTA annual conference and in the fall newsletter, which will be released after the Annual Fall Conference. Nominees must agree to serve the position if elected. All positions are 2-year terms. Candidates must be members of AOTA, licensed in the state of Michigan and voting members of MiOTA. We ask that if elected, new officers participate in the Annual Fall Conference to allow for orientation to their position.

Member at Large/Secretary:

The responsibilities of the Member-at-Large/Secretary include:

1. The Member at Large/Secretary is charged with representing the interests of the Members of the Corporation.
2. Record the minutes of all the meetings of the Corporation, including the Executive Committee

and the Association Assembly.

3. Maintain the history of the organization
4. Call a Special Meeting of the Corporation
5. Perform such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the Leader of the Executive Committee
6. Act as Leader of the Executive Committee pro tem until a special election is held if the offices of the Leader and all Directors are vacant at the same time.
7. Communicate substantive changes or revisions of the MiOTA Bylaws, as approved by the Executive Committee to the Membership.
8. Orient incoming elected secretary at least two (2) months prior to the first day of the fiscal year before the elected member assumes office.

Procedures –

- a. Record minutes of the business meetings of the Corporation; retain original for Secretary's file, and send copies to the MiOTA office, Executive Committee and Association Assembly members.
- b. Record minutes at all MiOTA Executive Committee, Association Assembly, and general membership meetings.
- c. Maintain a current Association Assembly Mailing list.
- d. Maintain the history of the organization.
- e. Check and ascertain at least annually the location of all equipment and non-expendable

materials; provide a dated inventory to all members of the Executive Committee and report missing or lost items to the Executive Committee.

- f. Submit an annual report to the Executive Committee
- g. Sign Expense Vouchers provided by the Financial Director and return to the Financial Director for signature and submission to the Agent of the Corporation for payment.

The Member at Large/Secretary is a voting member of the Executive Committee and a voice only member of the Association Assembly.

Membership Director:

The Membership director's responsibilities are to:

1. Appoint, with the approval of the Executive Committee, and oversee the Coordinators of Recruitment, Retention and Activation
2. Appoint, with approval of the Executive Committee, the members of the Nominating Committee
3. Serve as Leader of the Executive Committee in the absence of the Leader and the Communication Director
4. Orient incoming elected director at least two (2) months prior to the first day of the fiscal year before the elected member assumes office.
5. Perform other such duties as assigned by the Executive Committee.

Procedure

- a. Report all pertinent activities to the Executive Committee and Association Assembly.
- b. Submit motions for Executive Committee and Association Assembly Action.
- c. Oversee the preparation of the budget for recruitment, retention and activation and Nominating Committee and monitor expenditures of these units.
- d. Recommend individuals to the Executive Committee for appointment to and oversee the activities of the following positions: Recruitment Coordinator, Retention Coordinator, Activation Coordinator, Nominating Committee
- e. Assume the Office of Leader of the Executive Committee in the absence of the Leader and the Director of Communications
- f. Prepare an annual report for the MiOTA Executive Committee to include, at a minimum: Activities and accomplishments, short and long term goals related to the Long Range Plan.

The Membership Director is a voting member of both the Executive Committee and Association Assembly



Upcoming FREE Continuing Education Opportunities for Members:

May: Balance and the role of OT – Sonny Grendel – May 19th @ 6:30 p.m. EST

June: (STUDENTS) NBCOT Exam Preparation – Eric Checkley 8th @ 6:30 p.m.

July: Assessments for Medication Management – Cathleen Johnson date TBD

Email Cathleen Johnson – Cathleen@therapiststrainingtherapists.com for a link to the webinar/conference call.

Introducing Tera Richards MS OTRL our new Continuing Education Coordinator. If you are interested in being a speaker for our monthly webinar series, please contact Tera @ tera.a.richards@gmail.com

HCR Manor Care and MiOTA hosting events for OTAs and OTs in Michigan to review the General Rules for OT in Michigan adopted June 2014. Earn one contact hour of professional development.

Two events:

June 15th at Heartland Healthcare Center of Canton -5:00 p.m. registration – 5:30 to 6:30 Educational Event

June 16th at Heartland Health Care Center of West Bloomfield – 5:00 p.m. registration-5:30 to 6:30 Educational Event

At each event a conference registration for MiOTA 2016 conference will be raffled off as well as a free membership for MiOTA.

To attend these events, contact Ashley Bowles, HCR Manor Care – Ashley.Bowles@hcrmanorcare-careers.com

Invite us to your school or department:

The MiOTA membership committee is working hard to inform members and non-members on pertinent issues and topics related to their profession. Ask us to participate in a work or professional gathering to talk about membership or other topics. Contact Cathleen Johnson at Cajohnson@hcr-manorcare.com

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Sept. 30-Oct. 1	Boston, MA



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Advocacy Report

Denise Hoffman, Advocacy Director, and Jennifer Friesema, Public Policy Director

LANSING LOBBY DAY WAS A SUCCESS! On April 21, nearly 70 individuals attended Lansing Lobby Day! Students in both occupational therapy and occupational therapy assistant programs throughout the state, as well as, a diverse group of clinicians from all practice settings attended and participated in the events of the day. The House and Senate Legislators were all invited to attend our event. House Representative, John Bizon, and Senator Hoon – Young Hopgood both attended our 'meet and greet' session, whereas over 20 additional meetings occurred in the legislators' offices. As a profession, we were able to effectively communicate about occupational therapy and pending issues regarding the need for continuing education requirements in Michigan for our profession.

This day was successful due to the months of planning by the Public Policy Committee which included: *Erin Erikson, Keelia Parise, Nicole Socia, Aubrie Hurt, Michelle Polanic, Miranda Jenkins, Jasmine Ward, Holly Grieves, Claudette Reid, and Shanna Thelen.* Additionally, a deep appreciate is extended to **Grand Valley State University** for their financial donation paying for the printed materials used as educational 'take aways' and buttons to wear during this event. Also, thank you to *Cathleen Johnson* and *Ashley Bowles* from **HCR Manor Care** who generously donated the waters bottles which we gave to each person in attendance as well as to the Legislators. They were a big hit!!



One session during the event allowed for 3 different ad hoc meetings to occur focusing on: community behavioral health clinics, Flint lead initiatives, and telehealth. Excellent conversations began and additional meetings have already started. If you have an interest learning more about these issues impacting occupational therapy or you would like to participate and support these causes please contact Jennifer Friesema, Public Policy Director, frieseje@gvsu.edu.

October 9, 2015



Dear Fellow ASAP Members:

OTAC is thrilled to report that on September 10, 2015, the Tournament of Roses® Executive Committee accepted the *Occupational Therapy Centennial Float* as an official entry in the 2017 Annual Tournament of Rose® Parade that will be held on Monday, January 2, 2017. This unprecedented initiative honors the 100th Anniversary of the occupational therapy profession, including the 350,000 occupational therapy practitioners and millions of consumers world-wide.

The Tournament of Roses® Parade is one of the largest social rituals in the world, with over 50 million television viewers around the globe, over 700,000 attendees along the parade route, and another 60,000 viewers of the float display post-parade. The official Tournament of Roses® website receives over 3.6 million views during the months leading up to parade day. Over 80 media organizations cover the Rose Parade live, and media coverage is extensive during the days prior to the event. The Tournament of Roses® Parade is, undoubtedly, **an opportunity for the profession of occupational therapy to become ‘widely recognized and globally connected.’**

To support the costs of float design and construction \$300,000 needs to be raised. OTAC has several fund-raising strategies already in place, but we need your help! **Here is what you can do TODAY** to help ensure the profession of occupational therapy achieves its Centennial Vision of becoming ‘widely recognized and globally connected’:

- **DONATE TODAY** at www.otaonline.org
- Donors at the \$25 level or higher receive a *virtual ride* on the OT Centennial Float – your name is written on a flower vial that will ride the float
- Donors at the \$100 or higher will be entered into a raffle to win 2 VIP tickets at the 2017 Annual Tournament of Roses® Parade
- Donors at the \$1,000 level or higher are recognized as Corporate Sponsors and eligible for multiple benefits
- Refer to the Corporate Sponsorship Levels document.
- Forward this email to all of your family, friends, colleagues and ask for their donation
- Spread the word through your various social media outlets, such as Facebook®, Twitter®, Instagram® with the **DONATE** link www.otaonline.org
- Tweet after you donate: #otfloat2017
- Rally your occupational therapy department to plan a fund-raiser

Every dollar counts. Every dollar matters.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the *2017 Occupational Therapy Centennial Float*.

Warm regards,

OTAC President

*Michigan Society of Hand Therapists (MSHT)
Presents*

**Evidence Based Interventions for the Thumb:
Dynamic Stabilization and Mobilization**

**Presented by: Virginia O'Brien, OTD, OTR/L, CHT
and Debby Schwartz, OTD, OTR/L, CHT**

Date: Friday, September 30 and Saturday, October 1, 2016
Time: Friday 7:30am-5:00 pm and Saturday, 7:30 am – 1:00 pm
Location: **Henry Ford Macomb Rehabilitation and Sports Center
15595 15 Mile Rd. Clinton Twp., Mi 48035**

Cost:

MiOTA / MPTA /ASHT Member/ Students	\$200.00
Nonmembers	\$225.00
Late Registration (AFTER August 30)	\$ 25.00

LIMITED TO 35 ATTENDEES

For any Questions, please call Rasa Poorman, OTR/L, CHT at (248) 344-2304

Make checks payable to **MSHT** and mail to:

Rasa Poorman OTR, CHT 25529 Keenan Ct., Novi, MI 48375

Confirmations will be emailed

Lodging Options will be held until 8/31:

Hampton Inn Sterling Heights

36400 Van Dyke Ave, Sterling Heights 48312 (586) 276-0600

Mention Michigan Society of Hand Therapists (MSHT) for rate of 109.00\$ per room per night

OR

Concord Inn of Clinton Township 44315 Gratiot Ave., Clinton Twp. 48036 (586) 493-7330

Mention Michigan Society of Hand Therapists (MSHT) for rate of 85.00 per night per room.

 Registration Form: please complete entirely and legibly

<u>Name:</u>	
<u>Email Address</u>	
<u>Mailing Address</u>	
<u>Phone:</u>	
<u>MiOTA/MPTA/ASHT member number</u>	
<u>Amount enclosed</u>	

Michigan Society of Hand Therapists Evidence Based Intervention for the Thumb: Dynamic Stabilization and Mobilization

Tentative Agenda

Friday Sept. 30		Sat., Oct. 1	
7:30-8:00 am	Registration & Continental Breakfast	7:30-8:00 am	Check in and Continental Breakfast
8:00-10:15	Lecture: Anatomy review, Evaluation essentials, Evidence Based Practice for care of the thumb	8:00- 9:00	Lecture: Evidence based principles of orthotic fabrication for mobilization
10:15-1030	Vendor Break	9:00- 12:30	Orthotic Fabrication Labfabrication of 3 orthoses for mobilization: Static Progressive IP orthosis, Dynamic Functional UN/MN orthosis, Wajon MP flexion block Thumb Orthosis
10:30-12:00	Interactive Interventions for Dynamic Stabilization and Round Table on Care of the thumb	12:30	Case Presentations
12:00	Lunch on your own	1:00 pm	Dismissal
1:00-4:00	Orthotic Fabrication Lab- Fabrication of 3 immobilization orthoses for stabilization: CMC stabilization, Orficast thumb spica, & Butterfly thumb orthosis.		
2:15-2:30	Vendor Break		
4:00	Joint Protection Education Principles and Techniques Case Presentations/RoundTable for Thumb Intervention		
5:00	Dismissal		

Course Objectives: After attending this innovative 1.5 day course, participants will be able to:

- identify normal and abnormal kinematics of thumb function
- recognize normal and abnormal motor and praxis patterns of the thumb
- assess thumb joint mobility and strength required to perform activities
- recognize normal and abnormal motor and praxis patterns of the thumb and how they affect occupational/functional performance
- introduce innovative techniques to mobilize joints and re-educate key muscles in order to reduce pain and improve thumb stability
- emphasize patient education in proper thumb biomechanics to protect joints over the long term □ gain skills in orthotic fabrication skills

Michigan Occupational Therapy Association
Muchmore Harrington Smalley and Associates, LLC Legislative Report - 5/2/16

<i>Bill No</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Intro</i>	<i>Status Date</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Website</i>
HB 4712	Crawford (R-Nov)	6/10/2015	10/6/2015	Reported out of House Committee on Health Policy with sub H-1	Gives chiropractors the authority to prescribe treatment by a licensed physical therapist or physical therapist assistant.	Link To Bill
HB 5001	Lauwers (R-Brockway)	10/20/2015	1/21/2016	Passed House; Senate Committee on Health Policy	Modifies certain massage therapist licensing requirements.	Link To Bill
SB 137	Hildenbrand (R-Lowell)	2/17/2015	4/14/2015	Approved by Governor, Public Act No. 8, I.E. of 2015	Modifies distribution and use of autism coverage fund.	Link To Bill
SB 248	Hune (R-Whitmore Lake)	3/26/2015	4/23/2015	Passed Senate; Reported out of House Committee on Insurance with sub H-3	Makes miscellaneous changes and creates an insurance fraud prevention authority.	Link To Bill
SB 249	Hune (R-Whitmore Lake)	3/26/2015	4/23/2015	Passed Senate; Reported out of House Committee on Insurance	Amends cross-reference to no-fault act in the support and parenting time enforcement act to reflect amendments to the no-fault act	Link To Bill
SB 353	O'Brien (R-Portage)	5/21/2015	5/21/2015	Senate Committee on Insurance	Requires insurers and health maintenance organizations to ensure timely diagnosis and treatment and adequate participating provider network.	Link To Bill
SB 554	Schultmaker (R-Lawton)	10/8/2015	3/8/2016	Approved by Governor, Public Act No. 29, I.E. of 2016	Allows for use of electronic continuing education tracking services.	Link To Bill
SB 555	Schultmaker (R-Lawton)	10/8/2015	3/8/2016	Approved by Governor, Public Act No. 30, I.E. of 2016	Allows for use of electronic continuing education tracking services.	Link To Bill
SB 647	Schultmaker (R-Lawton)	12/9/2015	12/9/2015	Senate Committee on Education	Requires instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and awareness in use of automated external defibrillation (AED) for graduation from high school.	Link To Bill
SB 691	Knollenberg (R-Troy)	1/13/2016	1/13/2016	Senate Committee on Health Policy	Revises reference to "hearing impaired" to "hard of hearing."	Link To Bill

TRI-ALLIANCE UPDATE

The Tri-Alliance is comprised of representatives from the state associations for Speech, Occupational, and Physical Therapy. At the meeting on March 24, 2016 we discussed legislative issues that are impacting each profession individually as well as collectively. The PT's are addressing the Chiropractors proposal for ability to prescribe physical therapy. Some issues relative to this are that Chiropractors are reimbursed from the same benefit as all other therapy additionally their training does not appropriate for directing/coordinating patient care. The ABA bill is under second revision which will still require does not include supervision of technicians. Auto No-Fault briefing and litigation resume in 2017. All groups continue to work development of Telehealth proposals. The next meeting will be held in September 2016. Please send any comments, feedback, or suggestions for future meetings to Denise Justice at djustice@umich.edu.

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TODAY!**

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October 5, 2016

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KEY NOTE SPEAKER

Stevie Hopkins

<http://www.3elove.com/pages/stevie-speaks>

Motivational Speaker

October 6 and 7, 2016

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Display at registration table \$300

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*MiOTA is developing a "Marketing Committee"!
We are looking for members who have an interest or talent for
marketing or advertising. We are looking to expand
advertising opportunities for therapy related businesses within
MiOTA as well as market our organization to occupational
therapists within the state of Michigan!*

Share your talents and engage in your profession!

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CCBHC Letter

Dear MiOTA Members,

As many of you may know, the State of Michigan was awarded a planning grant for the Certified Community Behavioral Health Centers (CCBHC) by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Per the SAMSA Website: "The purpose of the CCBHC grant program is to support states to certify clinics as certified community behavioral health clinics (CCBHCs), establish prospective payment systems for Medicaid reimbursable services, and prepare an application to participate in a two-year demonstration program. Populations to be served are adults with serious mental illness, children with serious emotional disturbance, and those with long term and serious substance use disorders, as well as others with mental illness and substance use disorders."

Although Occupational Therapy is listed as one of the recommended providers in the CCBHC's, there is no guarantee we will be included as one of the providers for the programs. ***We are requesting you advocate that Occupational Therapy be a REQUIRED provider within the CCBHC's.***

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Currently, MiOTA's CCBHC Workgroup has drafted a template of a letter you can use to contact your legislators to help educate them on the DISTINCT VALUE of Occupational Therapy and how our inclusion as a REQUIRED provider within the CCBHC's will enhance the team.

DON'T Delay! Please contact your legislators as soon as possible! You can email or call them; or even stop into their coffee meetings should they have any scheduled for May.

You can find your Representatives at: <http://house.michigan.gov/mhrpublic/>

You can find your Senators at: <http://www.senate.michigan.gov/fysbyaddress.html>

Let's make sure our voice is heard!

Sincerely,

The CCBHC Planning Committee

Kirsten Matthews, Denise Justice, Chrissy Vogele (AOTA), Alissa Baker; Kelly Machnik; Cynthia Grapczynski, Denise Hoffman, and Bret Marr

****If you would like to participate in the CCBHC Planning Committee, please email Kirsten at kirstenmatthews@charter.net**

If you would like to learn more about the CCBHC Grant, you can visit the following websites below:

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdch/MI-CCBHC_Project_Narrative_8-4-15_499119_7.pdf

<http://www.samhsa.gov>

https://www.michigan.gov/som/0,4669,7-192-29942_34762-367565--,00.html

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdch/Submission_of_CCBHC_Application_498606_7.docx

<http://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/press-announcements/201510191200>

<http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-16-001>



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Dear XXXXX;

On April 1, 2014, the President signed the Protecting Access to Medicare Act (PAMA) into law, which included a provision authorizing a two-part **Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) Demonstration program**. The law allowed for a \$1.1 billion investment in community based mental health services for Medicaid recipients – the largest of its kind for several generations - over the course of the demonstration.

In October of 2015, SAMHSA and CMS announced that 24 states have been awarded one-year CCBHC Planning Grants. **Michigan was one of the states awarded a planning grant.** Recipients will be required to certify community behavioral health clinics, solicit input from stakeholders, establish prospective payment systems for demonstration reimbursable services, and prepare an application to participate in the demonstration program. Eight of these states will then be selected as demonstration sites for enhanced federal matching funds based on payment via a Prospective Payment System (PPS) for Medicaid services during the CCBHC two-year Demonstration.

The ultimate Demonstration application will be submitted to SAMHSA by each State Planning recipient by October of 2016 in order to be considered to participate in the CCBHC demonstration program. CCBHC Implementation will begin in January of 2017.

Occupational therapists were listed among the suggested staffing for CCBHCs under section 1.b.2 of the SAMHSA CCBHC criteria¹. MiOTA strongly recommends that occupational therapy practitioners be a required part of the CCBHC interdisciplinary team. Occupational therapy practitioners have an essential role to play in the full arc of services provision: evaluation, the development of a plan of care, and the implementation of many of the other services required by Congress.

Occupational Therapy, which has its roots in psychiatry, is an essential addition to the state CCBHC initiative because OT Practitioners:

1. Are trained to assess cognitive and functional impairments and risk;
2. Help span the boundary between the behavioral and medical fields—a key objective of the CCBHC initiative;
3. Can assess functional cognition, which is the way an individual utilizes and integrates his/her thinking and processing skills to accomplish everyday activities. The OT practitioner can advise adjustments to the care plan if an individual's cognitive deficits reduce their capacity to understand their diagnosis, effectively participate in care planning, take medication, attend routine appointments, or successfully engage in interventions (especially the many modalities rooted in cognitive behavioral therapy);
4. Help people across the lifespan with serious mental illness develop day-to-day independent living skills and improve their functional capacity

As your constituent, I urge you to ask DHHS to include occupational therapists as **required staff** for the Michigan CCBHCs. Even better, urge DHHS to have occupational therapists on the planning committee for this grant. To date, there has been little transparency in the process, and the essential practitioners are not sure where we stand.

For more information, please contact the MiOTA Office at office@miota.org or 517-267-3918.

Sincerely,

¹ http://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/programs_campaigns/ccbhc-criteria.pdf