

MiOTA Lansing Area Chapter Meeting

February 15, 2017

Attendance of 25 (16 MiOTA members, 5 OT visitors, 4 non-OT visitors) at Old Town Medical Arts Building in Lansing, Michigan. Meeting hosted by Gail A. Shafer-Crane, Ph.D., OTRL ([ARM Assessment Rehabilitation Management](#)) and Michael O'Connor, OTRL ([O'Connor Occupational Therapy](#)).

1. Meeting began at 6 pm with an open house, visual and performing arts exhibits, and networking. Providers present at the open house included Beth Grimshaw, MA, MDiv, and David Grimshaw, DO, (Old Town Doc); Julie Haan, OTR, (Neurofeedback Trainer); Johanna Johnson (CranioSacral Therapy); Nicholas Morgan, ND, (The Center for Integrative Wellness); and Alexis Schneider, MA, (Lotus Life). Art exhibits were provided by "[CACIL Creates](#)" (program of the Disability Network Capital Area) and the [MSU Community School of Music](#).
2. Dr. Gail Shafer-Crane (ARM) presented on her research on repetitive stress injury to the upper extremity and prevention from 6:45-7:25 pm.
3. Sara Clark (MiOTA Communications Director) provided updates from the MiOTA board from 7:25-7:40 pm.
 - a. MiOTA and AOTA attended the public hearing last fall on the new OT Rules and Regulations and they provided recommendations to the Michigan OT Board on the proposed rules. Since then, additional changes have been made including that human trafficking training is only required one time total for a provider's career (not for each licensure cycle). Due to these changes, another public hearing is required before the new rules and regulations can be finalized. Michigan still remains the only state that does not have any continuing education requirements for OT licensure renewal!
 - b. MiOTA is planning for another [Lansing Lobby Day](#) on April 27. The topic for advocacy this year will be the use of telehealth as a service delivery option.
 - c. The [2017 MiOTA Annual Conference](#) will be held at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island from October 6-8. MiOTA is accepting [submissions for presentations](#) until April 1.
4. Alissa Baker and Michael O'Connor reviewed chapter updates and raffled off door prizes from 7:40-7:50 pm.
 - a. Thank you Mike for obtaining the wonderful door prizes and to the following donors: Gail Shafer-Crane, River View Fitness, Lansing Brewing Company, Phil Denny, East Lansing Hot Yoga, and 517 Shirts!
 - b. Reminder to [join MiOTA](#)! Participation in the Lansing chapter is a benefit of your membership. Other benefits include free monthly webinars on a variety of topics. In addition, membership dues provide funding for our lobbyist.
 - c. Next meeting will be held in April or May and the group is looking for a new organization to host. If no other location is found, CMH will host again.
 - d. Thank you again to Mike and Gail for hosting a wonderful meeting!
 - e. Meeting attendees will be provided with CEU certificate via email.
5. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.