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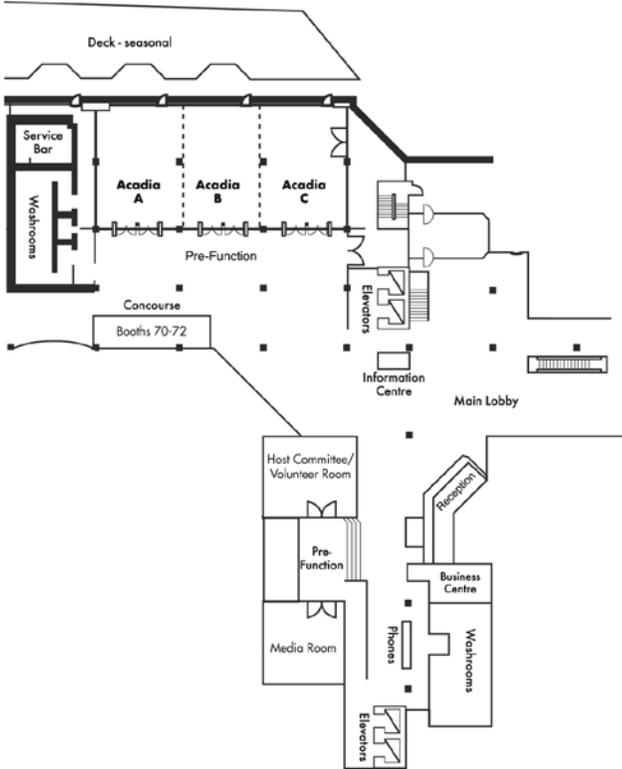
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Meaningful Occupation: Enabling an ocean of possibilities

L'occupation significative : faciliter un océan de possibilités



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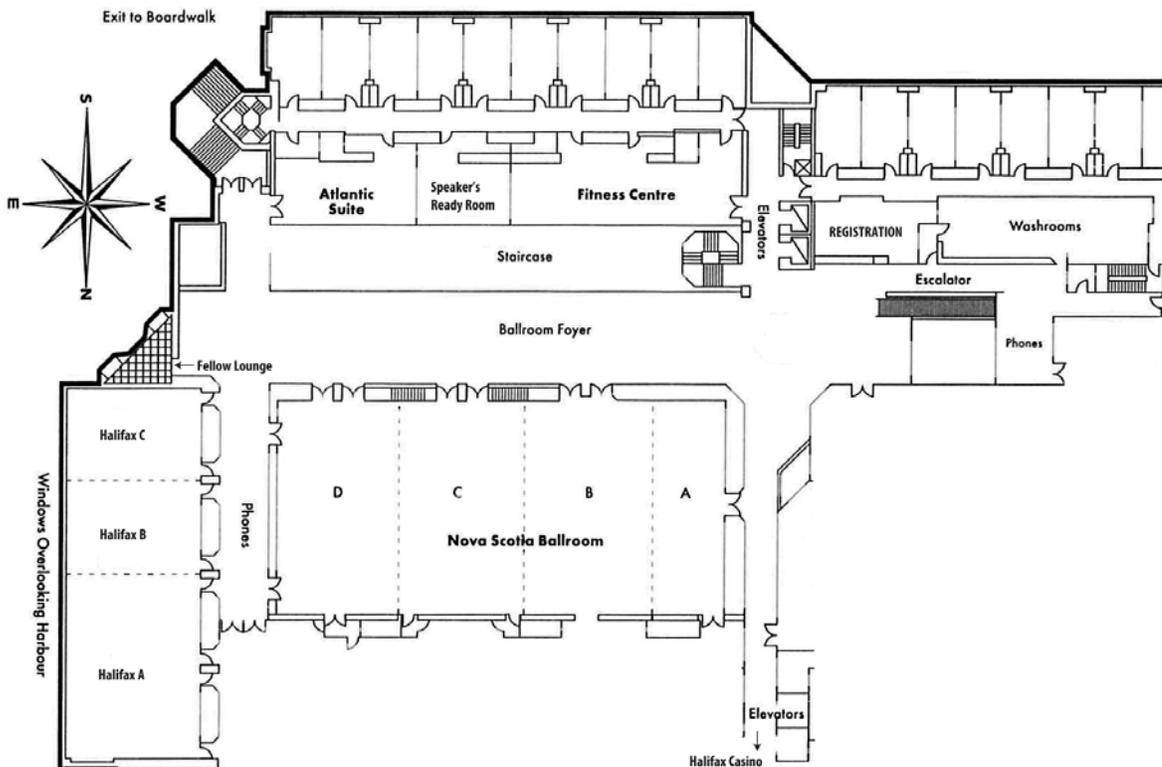
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Premier's Message

On behalf of the Province of Nova Scotia, it is my pleasure to welcome everyone participating in the 2010 Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists conference, hosted by the Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists.

Our province is fortunate to have a highly skilled and dedicated health care team that includes hundreds of occupational therapists. These people help ensure that Nova Scotians of all ages are able to live up to their full potential on the job, in their studies and at home.

I was excited to hear that occupational therapists from across the country would be coming to Nova Scotia for this year's conference. Our province is known for its friendly people, rich heritage and engaging culture. I encourage you to take advantage of your time here and get out to enjoy some of what our great province has to offer. You will not be disappointed.

Enjoy the conference and please come visit us again soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darrell Dexter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Darrell Dexter
Premier





Greetings from the Mayor



On behalf of Halifax Regional Council, it gives me great pleasure to extend warm greetings and a special welcome to all involved with the CAOT 2010 Annual National Conference taking place at the Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, May 26 – 29, 2010.

I would like to acknowledge, with gratitude, the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists and the Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists for co-hosting *Meaningful Occupation: Enabling an Ocean of Possibilities* here in our region. The Conference will raise awareness of a wide range of areas relating to occupational therapy and other health professions including primary health, community development and rural practice. An educational experience it will provide participants with the opportunity to collaborate, network and

share perspectives with delegates from across the Canada and beyond.

I am pleased that you have chosen Halifax Regional Municipality as the site of your Conference and invite you to enjoy all our area has to offer, our region's culture is noted for its unique blend of history and tradition, co-existing, comfortably with the contemporary. Enjoy!

Respectfully, I remain

Peter Kelly
Mayor

Welcome from the President and Executive Director of CAOT

CAOT is pleased to be hosting this year's conference in partnership with The Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists (NSSOT). NSSOT works diligently to promote the development of occupational therapy practice through continuing education, support, and advocacy. On behalf of NSSOT and CAOT, it is our pleasure to welcome you to the charming, sea-side city of Halifax for the conference 2010 experience!

The theme of this year's conference, "Meaningful Occupation: Enabling an Ocean of Possibilities" will celebrate the role of occupational therapy in enabling meaningful occupations and the power of occupational engagement. We encourage you to enjoy this exceptional learning experience and to feel inspired to enable your own ocean of possibilities.

This year we are proud to welcome Canadian authors Mary Law, Helene Polatajko and Elizabeth Townsend to the conference as your keynote speakers. In their address, they will share stories that celebrate the important contributions realized by our unique Canadian collaborative spirit; challenge us to move forward individually and collectively; and frame images of a future where occupational therapists continue to create positive differences and inspire change. We are also pleased to welcome plenary speaker Florence Clark and Muriel Driver Memorial Lecturer Annette Majnemer. These remarkable women are all true inspirations to the profession of occupational therapy, and we are confident that their passion and dedication will leave you feeling motivated to reach your full potential.

For the second consecutive year, we are pleased to be offering a series of hour-long symposiums where two to three papers on related topics are offered as a panel, followed by dialogue and discussion between the presenters and the audience. We encourage you to take advantage of these symposiums and engage in creative discussion and the opportunity to share perspectives among delegates. We are also pleased to be offering a number of consumer sessions, which will profile how occupational therapy services have led to a positive outcome for an individual or group.

On behalf of the CAOT Board of Directors and staff, we would like to extend you a warm welcome. It is our pleasure to provide you with the opportunity to explore new ideas and find innovative ways to apply them to your own practice and research. We would like to thank the Host Committee, Scientific Program Committee, CAOT's Steering Committee, and our many volunteers for their tireless efforts that proved invaluable in making this year's conference a success.

We look forward to sharing this conference experience together, and in exploring how we can enable an ocean of possibility through meaningful occupation!

Mot de bienvenue de la présidente et de la directrice générale de l'ACE



Liz Taylor
President, CAOT



Claudia von Zweck
Executive Director, CAOT

Cette année, l'ACE a le plaisir de présenter le congrès en partenariat avec la Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists (NSSOT). La NSSOT travaille avec assiduité afin de favoriser l'avancement de la pratique de l'ergothérapie, en offrant du soutien ainsi que des activités de formation continue et de représentation. Au nom de la NSSOT et de l'ACE, il nous fait plaisir de vous accueillir dans la charmante ville maritime d'Halifax pour vivre l'expérience du congrès 2010!

Le thème du congrès de cette année, « L'occupation significative : Faciliter un océan de possibilités » mettra à l'honneur le rôle de l'ergothérapeute face à l'habilitation des occupations significatives et le pouvoir de la participation occupationnelle. Nous vous encourageons à profiter de cette expérience d'apprentissage exceptionnelle et à vous laisser inspirer afin de faciliter votre propre océan de possibilités.

Cette année, nous sommes fières d'accueillir au congrès les auteures canadiennes Mary Law, Helene Polatajko et Elizabeth Townsend, qui seront nos conférencières d'honneur. Dans leur discours, elles

raconteront des histoires mettant en relief les réalisations remarquables accomplies grâce à l'esprit de collaboration qui caractérise si bien les ergothérapeutes canadiens; ces histoires nous inviteront à aller de l'avant individuellement et collectivement et elles projeteront les images d'un avenir où les ergothérapeutes continueront de faire la différence et d'inciter les gens à apporter des changements positifs dans leur vie. Nous sommes également heureuses d'accueillir la conférencière plénière Florence Clark et la lauréate du prix du discours commémoratif Muriel Driver, Annette Majnemer. Ces femmes remarquables sont des sources d'inspiration pour la profession d'ergothérapeute et nous sommes persuadées que leur passion et leur dévouement vous inciteront à réaliser votre plein potentiel.

Pour la deuxième année consécutive, nous avons le plaisir d'offrir une série de symposiums d'une heure pendant lesquels deux à trois conférences sur des sujets connexes seront présentées sous forme de table ronde. Ces conférences seront suivies d'une période de dialogue et de discussion entre les présentateurs et l'auditoire. Nous vous invitons à profiter de ces symposiums en participant aux discussions créatives et à saisir cette occasion d'entendre différentes perspectives et d'échanger des points de vue avec d'autres délégués. Nous avons également le plaisir de proposer plusieurs séances présentées par des consommateurs qui décriront comment les services d'ergothérapie ont entraîné des résultats positifs pour une personne ou un groupe.

Welcome from the NSSOT President

On behalf of the Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists (NSSOT), I welcome you to Halifax as you participate in the 2010 CAOT Conference, Meaningful Occupation: Enabling an Ocean of Possibilities.

We are honoured to be co-hosting this event with CAOT. At the annual meeting of CAOT in 1930, it was reported that there was only one occupational therapist working in Nova Scotia. 80 years later, Nova Scotia is fortunate to have over 350 occupational therapists working throughout the province in diverse practice settings, collaborating with many individuals and communities to enable occupation. NSSOT has been promoting the profession of occupational therapy in this province since 1951. This year we are renewing our strategic plan, focusing our efforts to achieve the vision that all Nova Scotians are able to participate in the occupations that are most meaningful to them. Our members look forward to meeting you and learning from you throughout the conference, exploring ways we can translate this vision into lived reality.

Through the combination of posters, papers, extended sessions, symposiums and consumer sessions, the Scientific Program Committee has planned a stimulating and versatile program. Combined with the pre-conference workshops, speakers, special events, forums, and trade show, this program offers an ocean of possibilities for dialogue, knowledge exchange and emerging networks.

The Host Committee and many conference volunteers have worked diligently not only to organize the conference but also to share with you their hospitality, kindness and goodwill. NSSOT is proud of its dedicated members, and thanks each and every volunteer for their engagement and leadership within this endeavour.

Now a piece a trivia - Halifax is situated on one of the world's largest natural harbours. With that in mind, NSSOT invites you to embrace this great city as a welcoming harbour for your personal development and our collective learning. Thank you for coming to visit, and we look forward to meeting you throughout the conference!



Margaret Champion
President, NSSOT
Présidente de la NSSOT

Mot de bienvenue de la présidente de NSSOT

Au nom de la Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists (NSSOT), je vous souhaite la bienvenue à Halifax et au Congrès 2010 de l'ACE, L'occupation significative : faciliter un océan de possibilités.

Nous sommes honorés d'accueillir cet événement en collaboration avec l'ACE. Lors de la réunion annuelle de l'ACE en 1930, on a rapporté qu'il n'y avait alors qu'une ergothérapeute travaillant en Nouvelle-Écosse. Quatre-vingt ans plus tard, la Nouvelle-Écosse a la chance de compter plus de 350 ergothérapeutes, qui travaillent à travers la province dans divers milieux de pratique et collaborent avec de nombreuses

personnes et collectivités afin de faciliter l'occupation. La NSSOT fait valoir la profession d'ergothérapeute dans cette province depuis 1951. Cette année, nous renouvelons notre plan stratégique, en concentrant nos efforts afin de réaliser la vision suivante : Tous les habitants de la Nouvelle-Écosse pourront participer aux occupations qui leur tiennent le plus à cœur. Nos membres sont impatients de vous rencontrer et d'apprendre avec vous, tout au long du congrès, en examinant des façons de transformer cette vision en réalité.

En combinant des présentations par affiche, des conférences, des séances prolongées, des symposiums et des séances présentées par des consommateurs, le comité du programme scientifique a planifié un programme stimulant et diversifié. Combiné aux ateliers pré-congrès, aux conférenciers, aux activités et événements spéciaux, aux forums et au salon professionnel, ce programme offre un océan de possibilités pour le dialogue, l'échange de connaissances et les nouveaux réseaux.

Le comité organisateur et les nombreux bénévoles du congrès ont travaillé avec ardeur pour organiser le congrès, mais aussi pour partager avec vous leur hospitalité, leur gentillesse et leur bonne volonté. La NSSOT est fière de ces membres dévoués et elle remercie tous les bénévoles pour leur engagement et leur leadership tout au long de cette aventure.

En terminant, un fait anecdotique... Halifax est située dans l'un des plus grands ports naturels du monde. Tout en gardant ce fait à l'esprit, la NSSOT vous invite à considérer cette grande ville comme un port accueillant et favorable à votre développement personnel et à notre apprentissage collectif. Merci d'être venu nous visiter et au plaisir de vous rencontrer pendant le congrès!

Welcome from the Host Committee Co-Convenors

On behalf of the 2010 Conference Host Committee we would like to extend a warm welcome to Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada's ocean playground!

The Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists and Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists are pleased to present you an exciting conference experience.

As you explore our fair city you will also have the opportunity to discover Meaningful Occupation: Enabling an Ocean of Possibilities during comprehensive, thought provoking, and interactive presentations of professional issues, research and innovative ideas.

Beyond a cutting-edge scientific program, you will have plenty of opportunity to explore and discover historic Halifax and the surrounding area. For this year's social event, we invite you to join the fun at a good ole Maritime Kitchen Ceilidh at Murphy's on the Water, as we overlook the harbour waters, enjoy local cuisine, and kick up our heels to foot stompin' music. We hope you join us at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic to learn about our rich nautical history including a chilling Titanic exhibit with actual artifacts on display. We'll top off the week with the opportunity to take a local ghost tour that ends at the waterfront. Beyond the scheduled events, there are many other tours to take advantage of, including biking, hiking, boating, and kayaking. Special rates and easy booking will be made available to conference delegates and their companions.

We encourage you to extend your stay with us and truly enjoy all that Nova Scotia has to offer in its many other regions such as the Cape Breton Highlands, Annapolis Valley, and quaint seaside townships of the South Shore. There is something for everyone.

Should you require assistance at any time during the conference, the Host Committee Members will be more than happy to help you with any questions or needs you may have.

Host Committee Members, in order below, include:

Mot de bienvenue des co-directeurs du comité d'accueil

Au nom du comité organisateur du Congrès 2010, nous vous souhaitons la bienvenue à Halifax, en Nouvelle-Écosse, au cœur du terrain de jeu océanique du Canada!

L'Association canadienne des ergothérapeutes et la Nova Scotia Society of Occupational Therapists ont le plaisir de vous présenter ce congrès palpitant.

Tout en explorant notre magnifique ville et en assistant à des présentations interactives et inspirantes sur des enjeux professionnels, des recherches et des idées novatrices, vous aurez aussi l'occasion de découvrir qu'il est possible de faciliter un océan de possibilités à travers les occupations significatives.

Outre le programme scientifique à la fine pointe de la recherche, vous aurez de nombreuses occasions d'explorer et de découvrir Halifax et ses régions avoisinantes. Vous serez invité à participer à un bal folklorique écossais à saveur maritime, qui se tiendra dans un pub au bord de l'eau. Vous pourrez alors admirer le port, tout en savourant des mets régionaux et en dansant au rythme endiablé de la musique. Nous espérons que vous viendrez visiter le musée maritime de l'Atlantique en notre compagnie pour en apprendre davantage sur notre histoire navale, tout en portant une attention particulière à l'exposition sur le Titanic qui vous donnera des frissons. Vous pourrez aussi faire une visite fantôme. Mis à part les événements prévus au programme, de nombreuses autres visites sont possibles à Halifax; vous pourrez faire du vélo, des randonnées pédestres, des croisières en bateau et du kayak. Les délégués du congrès et les personnes qui les accompagnent pourront profiter de tarifs et de services de réservations spéciaux.

Nous vous invitons à prolonger votre séjour parmi nous et à profiter pleinement des nombreuses possibilités offertes dans les autres régions de la province, comme les Hautes terres du Cap-Breton, la Vallée Annapolis et les charmants villages côtiers de la côte du sud. Nous sommes persuadés que tout le monde y trouvera son compte!

Si vous avez besoin d'aide à tout moment pendant le congrès, les membres du comité organisateur se feront un plaisir de répondre à vos questions et à vos besoins.

Les membres du comité organisateur sont :



Heather
Thompson



Avai
Kochanoff



Jen
Davis



Amy
Webber



Sheila
Poulton



Krista
Cullen



Maureen
McLean



Candy
Miller



Sarah
MacKenzie



Starla
McCormick



Emma
Smith

Welcome from the Conference Scientific Program Committee 2010

It is a true pleasure to welcome you to the charming city of Halifax, Nova Scotia for the 2010 CAOT Conference. The Conference Scientific Program Committee has been working hard to sort through the large volume of abstracts submitted to create a balanced program of 92 papers, 79 posters, and 11 extended discussions reflecting new ideas and exciting research results.

For the second consecutive year, in addition to our traditional poster, paper and extended session formats, we are pleased to be including five hour-long symposiums where two to three papers on related topics are offered as a panel, followed by dialogue and discussion between the presenters and the audience. Our goal by offering the symposiums is to create greater opportunity for discussion, networking opportunities and the opportunity to share perspectives among delegates, which is not always readily accomplished in the time allotted with shorter paper presentations. The scientific program committee welcomes and encourages your feedback on this format.

We are also pleased to offer conference delegates two consumer sessions as part of our scientific program. The positive feedback we receive from year to year on these sessions challenges us to find new and innovative ways to inspire clients to share their unique knowledge and experiences.

As you can certainly imagine, the creation of a scientific program is a team effort. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the 63 Abstract Review Board members for their dedication and hard work in reviewing assigned abstracts and providing constructive feedback to authors and recommendations to the Conference Scientific Program Committee. Thanks also goes to the members of the 2010 Conference Scientific Program Committee who reviewed most of the abstracts and reviewers comments before making their final recommendations for the scientific program. They are: Brenda Ashe, Melissa Croskery, Mary Egan, Rebecca Gewurtz, Crystal Grass, Mandy Lowe, Melissa Nance, and Catherine Vallée. Our committee would also like to recognize the work of Lisa Sheehan, Conference Manager at the CAOT national office, who brings energy and organization to the conference planning process.

The theme of this year's conference, Meaningful occupation: Enabling an Ocean of Possibilities, invites us to be inspired and reflect about our role as enablers and the power of engagement in meaningful occupations. Given the wide diversity of session formats and topics integrated into the program, our committee trusts that you will find sessions to inspire you to enable an ocean of possibilities.



Noémi Cantin
Chair, Conference
Scientific Program
Committee

Mot de bienvenue du comité du programme scientifique du Congrès

C'est avec un immense plaisir que nous vous souhaitons la bienvenue au Congrès 2010 de l'ACE présenté dans la charmante ville d'Halifax, en Nouvelle-Écosse. Le comité du programme scientifique du congrès a travaillé avec beaucoup d'ardeur pour choisir les meilleurs abrégés parmi le très grand nombre d'abrégés soumis, en vue de créer un programme équilibré, constitué de 92 conférences, 79 présentations par affiche et 11 séances de discussion prolongée témoignant des nouvelles idées et de résultats de recherche fascinants.

Outre nos traditionnelles conférences, présentations par affiche et séances de discussion, nous sommes heureux de présenter pour la deuxième année consécutive cinq symposiums de cinq heures chacun, pendant lesquels seront animées trois

tables rondes sur trois sujets connexes, qui seront suivies d'un dialogue et d'une discussion entre les présentateurs et l'auditoire. Le but de ces symposiums est de favoriser les discussions, le réseautage et l'échange de perspectives entre les délégués, ce qui n'est pas toujours possible dans le temps alloué aux autres types de présentations. Les membres du comité du programme scientifique vous encouragent à leur faire part de vos commentaires en ce qui concerne ces symposiums.

Dans le cadre de notre programme scientifique, nous sommes heureux d'offrir aux délégués du congrès deux séances dirigées par des consommateurs de services. Au fil des ans, les commentaires positifs que nous avons reçus sur ce type de séance nous ont encouragés à trouver de nouvelles façons d'inspirer les clients à partager leurs connaissances et leurs expériences uniques.

Comme vous pouvez l'imaginer, la création d'un programme scientifique est un travail d'équipe. J'aimerais exprimer mes remerciements sincères aux 63 réviseurs qui ont évalué les abrégés, donné des commentaires constructifs aux auteurs et émis des recommandations au comité du programme scientifique du congrès. Je remercie également les membres du comité du programme scientifique du Congrès 2010, qui ont évalué la plupart des abrégés et des commentaires des réviseurs avant d'émettre leurs recommandations finales pour le programme scientifique. Les membres du comité sont : Brenda Ashe, Melissa Croskery, Mary Egan, Rebecca Gewurtz, Crystal Grass, Mandy Lowe, Melissa Nance et Catherine Vallée. Notre comité aimerait également souligner le travail de Lisa Sheehan, la gestionnaire des congrès de l'ACE, qui a fait preuve d'un grand sens de l'organisation et qui a consacré beaucoup d'énergie à la planification du congrès.

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Keynote Speakers: Mary Law, Helene Polatajko & Elizabeth Townsend

CAOT is privileged to present Mary Law, Helene Polatajko and Elizabeth Townsend as the keynote speakers for Conference 2010.



Dr. Mary Law has a broad experience in occupational therapy for children with disabilities combined with graduate studies in Epidemiology and Health and Social Planning. She is currently a Professor and Associate Dean, Rehabilitation Science at McMaster University and is co-founder of CanChild Centre for Childhood Disability Research, a multidisciplinary research centre at McMaster University. Mary holds the John and Margaret Lillie Chair in Childhood Disability Research. Mary's research centres on the development and validation of client-centred outcome measures, evaluation of occupational therapy interventions with children, the effect of environmental factors on the participation of children with disabilities in everyday occupations, and transfer of research knowledge into practice and policy. She has been elected to the American Occupational Therapy Foundation Academy of Research and a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences.



Dr. Helene Polatajko is a researcher, educator and clinician. Her clinical experience is primarily in the area of pediatrics, most especially with children with learning-based performance problems. Her research has been focused on assessment and intervention, most especially on cognitive-based interventions to support performance. She is professor in the Dalla Lana School of Public Health and Professor and Former Chair of the Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy and the Graduate Department of Rehabilitation Science, University of Toronto. Dr. Polatajko has over 200 publications and has given over 400 presentations in over 20 countries. She has received numerous honors and awards, including the Muriel Driver Lectureship, induction into the American Occupational Therapy Foundation Academy of Research and, most recently, being made a Fellow of the Canadian Association of Health Science.



Dr. Elizabeth (Liz) Townsend has participated in the development since 1980 of all eight of Canada's occupational therapy guidelines which have inspired this profession to advance the client-centred practice of enabling occupation worldwide. During that time, she became one of four founding faculty who moved to Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia in 1982 to start

Conférencières d'honneur : Mary Law, Helene Polatajko & Elizabeth Townsend

L'ACE a le privilège de présenter Mary Law, Helene Polatajko et Elizabeth Townsend, qui seront les conférencières d'honneur du Congrès 2010.

La Dre Mary Law, qui possède une vaste expérience en ergothérapie auprès des enfants ayant des handicaps, a effectué des études supérieures en épidémiologie et en planification des services sociaux et de santé. Elle est actuellement professeure et vice-doyenne en science de la réadaptation à la McMaster University et elle est co-fondatrice du CanChild Centre for Childhood Disability Research, qui est le centre de recherche multidisciplinaire de la McMaster University. Mary occupe la chaire de recherche John and Margaret Lillie sur les enfants handicapés. Les travaux de recherche de Mary sont centrés sur l'élaboration et la validation de mesures des résultats centrées sur le client, sur l'évaluation des interventions ergothérapeutiques auprès des enfants, sur l'effet des facteurs environnementaux sur la participation des enfants handicapés à des occupations quotidiennes et sur l'incorporation des connaissances découlant de la recherche dans la pratique et dans les directives. Elle a été élue à l'American Occupational Therapy Foundation Academy of Research et elle est Fellow de l'Académie canadienne des sciences de la santé.

La Dre Helene Polatajko est chercheuse, éducatrice et clinicienne. Son expérience clinique se situe principalement dans le domaine de la pédiatrie, en particulier auprès des enfants ayant des problèmes de rendement associées à des troubles d'apprentissage. Ses recherches ont été centrées sur les évaluations et les interventions, notamment sur les interventions cognitives visant à rehausser le rendement. Elle est professeure à la Dalla Lana School of Public Health et professeure et ancienne présidente du Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy et du Graduate Department of Rehabilitation Science, à l'University of Toronto. Madame Polatajko a publié plus de 200 articles et elle a fait plus de 400 conférences dans plus de 20 pays. Elle a reçu de nombreux honneurs et prix, notamment le prix du discours commémoratif Muriel Driver; elle a été admise au sein de l'American Occupational Therapy Foundation Academy of Research et, plus récemment, elle est devenue membre Fellow de l'Académie canadienne des sciences de la santé.

Depuis 1980, **la Dre Elizabeth (Liz) Townsend** a participé à l'élaboration des huit documents sur les lignes directrices sur l'ergothérapie au Canada, qui ont amené la profession à promouvoir la pratique centrée sur le client et l'occupation dans le monde entier. Pendant cette période, elle est devenue l'un des quatre membres fondateurs qui ont déménagé à la Dalhousie University en Nouvelle-Écosse en 1982, afin de lancer la seule école en ergothérapie sur la côte

the only School of Occupational Therapy on Canada's East Coast. Since 1998, she has been the School's Director. Liz's vision of enabling occupation draws on her research plus 15 years of broad experience in clinical, management, and program development practices with children, adults, and seniors in rehabilitation, home care, and community mental health settings. Liz has published and presented extensively to raise critical perspectives of practices intending to enable empowerment, mental health practice, and the concept and practice of occupational justice.

Here's a glimpse of what you can expect in their presentation:

From C to C to C: An Ocean of Possibilities
Occupational therapists in Canada have created an ocean of possibilities in crafting guidelines for the client-centred practice of enabling occupation. Acting locally, Canadians have articulated occupational therapy ideas and practices that have resonated globally. Linking the ideas about occupation, health, well-being and social justice with occupational therapists' expansive practice arena has influenced occupational therapy locally, nationally and internationally. In this keynote, three Canadian authors will invite Canadian occupational therapists to imagine our profession from "C" to "C" to "C" – that is, to celebrate, challenge and create the occupational therapy of their dreams. They will share stories that celebrate the important contributions realized by our unique Canadian collaborative spirit; that challenge us to go even further individually and collectively; and that frame images of a future in which occupational therapists continue to create positive differences for each other and all Canadians. Our evening keynote speakers will leave the audience with three action messages that encourage each to celebrate, challenge and create their own ocean of possibilities.

est du Canada. Elizabeth est directrice de l'école depuis 1998. La vision de Liz sur l'habilitation de l'occupation est basée sur ses recherches et sur sa vaste expérience de plus de 15 ans à titre de clinicienne, de gestionnaire et de spécialiste en développement de programmes auprès des enfants, des adultes et des aînés dans les domaines de la réadaptation, des soins à domicile et de la santé mentale communautaire. Liz a publié et présenté de nombreux articles afin de présenter des perspectives importantes visant à favoriser la remise du pouvoir, la pratique en santé mentale et le concept et la pratique de la justice occupationnelle.

Voici un aperçu de leur présentation :

From C to C to C : An Ocean of Possibilities
Au Canada, les ergothérapeutes ont créé un océan de possibilités en élaborant des lignes directrices pour une pratique de l'habilitation de l'occupation centrée sur le client. En agissant localement, les ergothérapeutes canadiens ont formulé des idées et des pratiques en ergothérapie qui ont trouvé un écho dans le monde entier. En reliant les idées sur l'occupation, la santé, le bien-être et la justice sociale et la portée élargie de la pratique des ergothérapeutes, ils ont influé sur l'ergothérapie aux échelons locaux, nationaux et internationaux. Dans ce discours, trois auteures canadiennes inviteront les ergothérapeutes canadiens à imaginer notre profession dans différentes circonstances, c'est-à-dire, à célébrer, à mettre en question et à créer l'ergothérapie de leur rêve. Elles raconteront des histoires qui mettront en relief les apports remarquables découlant de notre esprit de collaboration, pour nous inciter à aller encore plus loin individuellement et collectivement et à imaginer un avenir dans lequel les ergothérapeutes feront une différence positive entre eux et pour tous les Canadiens. Les conférencières de cette soirée transmettront trois messages d'action qui nous inviteront à célébrer, à mettre en question et à créer notre propre océan de possibilités.

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Au nom du conseil d'administration et du personnel de l'ACE, nous vous souhaitons la bienvenue. Nous sommes enchantées de vous offrir l'occasion d'explorer de nouvelles idées et de découvrir des façons novatrices de les appliquer dans votre pratique et vos recherches. Nous tenons à remercier le comité organisateur, le comité du programme scientifique, le comité de direction de l'ACE et les nombreux bénévoles dont les efforts inlassables se sont révélés inestimables pour la réussite du congrès de cette année.

Nous sommes impatientes de vivre cette expérience avec vous et d'explorer comment nous pouvons unir nos forces afin de faciliter un océan de possibilités à travers les occupations significatives!

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Le thème du congrès de cette année, L'occupation significative : faciliter un océan de possibilités, nous invite à réfléchir à notre rôle de facilitateur et au pouvoir de la participation à des occupations significatives. Compte tenu de la grande diversité des types de séances et des sujets inscrits au programme, notre comité est persuadé que vous trouverez des séances qui vous inciteront à faciliter un océan de possibilités.

Muriel Driver Memorial Lecturer Annette Majnemer

CAOT is proud to present Annette Majnemer as the Muriel Driver Memorial Lecturer at Conference 2010- Meaningful occupations: Enabling an ocean of possibilities.

Dr. Majnemer is an esteemed professor in the School of Physical & Occupational Therapy, Faculty of Medicine, McGill University, Montreal.

Throughout her professional career, which spans 29 years, Dr. Majnemer has made outstanding contributions through research, education and the practice of occupational therapy. Her work is distinguished by her innovative yet pragmatic research, which has broadened the scope of practice for occupational therapists in Canada and abroad. Renowned as an outstanding educator and mentor, Dr. Majnemer has mentored and supervised 16 graduate students and two post-doctoral fellows whose research has directly benefited the clinical understanding of various pediatric conditions and been instrumental in the development of appropriate assessments and treatment interventions in occupational therapy.

Dr. Majnemer's research has examined the influence of medical, child, and environmental factors on children's participation and quality of life and has been supported by more than 3.5 million dollars in research funding and is recognized internationally with 127 publications.

Dr. Majnemer has distinguished herself as a clinician, an educator and a researcher. She has worked willingly, energetically, and professionally, allowing her to be successful and productive in all of her career domains. Her insight, passion and contributions are truly irreplaceable.



Annette Majnemer

Conférencière du discours commémoratif Muriel Driver : Annette Majnemer

L'ACE est fière de présenter la Dre Annette Majnemer, qui prononcera le discours commémoratif Muriel Driver au Congrès 2010 : Faciliter un océan de possibilités.

La Dre Annette Majnemer est une professeure estimée à l'École de physiothérapie et d'ergothérapie de la Faculté de médecine de l'Université McGill, à Montréal.

Tout au long de sa carrière professionnelle, qui s'étend sur 29 ans, la Dre Majnemer a fait de remarquables réalisations dans les domaines de la recherche, de l'enseignement et de la pratique en ergothérapie. Ses recherches, qui se distinguent par leurs aspects à la fois novateurs et pragmatiques, ont permis d'élargir la portée

de la pratique de l'ergothérapie au Canada et à l'étranger. Reconnue comme une éducatrice et mentor exceptionnelle, Madame Majnemer a encadré et supervisé 16 étudiants des cycles supérieurs et deux étudiants postdoctoraux dont les recherches ont favorisé la compréhension clinique de diverses maladies chez les enfants et qui ont été fondamentales au développement d'évaluations et d'interventions efficaces en ergothérapie.

Dans ses travaux, Madame Majnemer s'est penchée sur l'influence des facteurs médicaux, de l'enfance et de l'environnement sur la participation et la qualité de vie des enfants; ses recherches, qui ont été appuyées financièrement par des subventions de plus 3,5 millions de dollars, sont reconnues dans le monde entier, par l'intermédiaire de 127 publications.

Madame Majnemer s'est distinguée à titre de clinicienne, d'enseignante et de chercheuse. Elle a travaillé avec énergie et professionnalisme, ce qui lui a permis de réussir et d'être productive dans tous les aspects de sa carrière. Sa capacité d'introspection, sa passion et ses réalisations sont incomparables.

Plenary Speaker : Florence Clark

Florence Clark (Professor and Associate Dean of the USC Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy) is a widely published and noted scholar. Appointed as a charter member of the Academy of Research of the American Occupational Therapy Association, Dr. Clark has served as special consultant to the U.S. Army Surgeon General, been on the board of the National Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research and been the recipient of an Eleanor Clarke Slagle Lectureship. In 1999, the American Occupational Therapy Association honored her with its Award of Merit and in 2001 she received a lifetime achievement award from the Occupational Therapy Association of California. In 2004 she received the Presidential Medallion from the University of Southern California, its ultimate honor, awarded to those who have brought distinction and honor to the University. Dr. Clark's research and pedagogical interests over the past two decades have largely centered on the relationship of activity and lifestyle to health and wellness. Her recent scholarly activity centers on the design of lifestyle interventions for various populations such as independent-living older adults, business executives, persons with weight concerns, and individuals with spinal cord injury. Dr. Clark also serves as the President-Elect of the American Occupational Therapy Association.



Florence Clark

Conférencière de la séance plénière : Florence Clark

La Dre Florence Clark (professeure et vice-doyenne de la USC Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy) est une érudite réputée dont les écrits ont été largement publiés. À titre de présidente désignée et de membre de l'Academy of Research of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), Madame Clark a agi à titre de consultante spéciale auprès de l'U.S. Army Surgeon General; elle a siégé au conseil du National Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research et a reçu le prix de conférence Eleanor Clarke Slagle. En 1999, l'American Occupational Therapy Association lui a décerné un prix d'excellence et, en 2001, elle a reçu le prix d'excellence

de l'Occupational Therapy Association of California, pour l'ensemble de ses réalisations. En 2004, elle a reçu la médaille du président de l'University of Southern California, qui est l'hommage ultime rendu aux personnes qui ont apporté honneur et distinction à l'Université. Depuis deux décennies, les travaux de recherche de Madame Clark sont axés sur la relation entre l'activité, le style de vie, la santé et le bien-être. Ses activités de recherche récentes sont centrées sur la conception d'interventions basées sur le style de vie pour diverses populations, comme les aînés vivant de manière autonome, les cadres d'entreprise, les personnes ayant des problèmes de poids et les personnes ayant des lésions de la moelle épinière. Madame Clark est également la présidente désignée de l'American Occupational Therapy Association.



Special Events

Wednesday, May 26

Opening Ceremony and Keynote Address 18:30-20:30

Be sure to join us at the official opening of Conference 2010 at the Halifax Casino. Enjoy a welcome to Halifax filled with maritime culture, followed by internationally recognized keynote speakers Mary Law, Helene Polatajko and Elizabeth Townsend who will share a thought provoking presentation that will open the doors of possibility and leave you feeling inspired.

Reception-Trade Show Grand Opening and Author Meet & Greet 20:30-22:00

After the opening ceremonies, you will be piped back to the Marriott Harbourfront Hotel. You will then be taken to the exhibit hall in the Nova Scotia Ballrooms to meet other delegates and catch up with old friends! Also, our exhibitors will be showcasing the latest technologies and resources. Be sure to drop by the trade show to broaden your contacts and win great prizes!

Meet the Authors

We are pleased to provide you with the opportunity to meet and greet the authors of the international best sellers (published by CAOT): The *Canadian Occupational Performance Measure* (COPM) and *Enabling Occupation II: Advancing an occupational therapy vision for health, well-being, and justice through occupation*. We are also pleased to offer you the opportunity to meet the authors of CAOT's newest publication, *Action Over Inertia*. Don't miss this unique opportunity to ask questions and speak with leaders in the profession.

Daily Morning Yoga 6:30 - 7:30

(Thursday, Friday & Saturday mornings)

Greet the day by bringing mind and body together with our complimentary yoga sessions, held every morning at 6:30 a.m. before the conference May 27, 28, 29 in the Halifax Harbourfront Hotel. You don't have to know yoga to come—just bring yourself (wearing some workout clothes!), a mat and a willingness to learn. Everyone is welcome!

Événements spéciaux

Mercredi le 26 mai

Cérémonie d'ouverture et discours d'honneur 18:30-20:30

Venez assister à la cérémonie d'ouverture officielle du Congrès 2010 au Casino d'Halifax. Vous serez accueilli chaleureusement à Halifax, tout en étant imprégné de la culture des Maritimes. La cérémonie d'ouverture sera suivie de conférences qui seront présentées par les conférencières d'honneur de réputation internationale Mary Law, Helene Polatajko et Elizabeth Townsend. Leur présentation inspirante vous fera miroiter d'innombrables possibilités.

Réception- Ouverture du salon professionnel et Rencontre avec les auteurs 20:30-22:00

Nos exposants présenteront leurs nouvelles technologies et ressources. Venez faire un tour au Salon professionnel pour augmenter la liste de vos contacts et pour remporter des prix!

Rencontre avec les auteurs

Nous avons le plaisir de vous offrir la possibilité de rencontrer et de féliciter les auteurs des succès d'édition internationaux suivants (publiés par l'ACE) : la *Mesure canadienne du rendement occupationnel (MCRO)* et *Faciliter l'occupation : l'avancement d'une vision de l'ergothérapie en matière de santé, bien-être et justice, à travers l'occupation*. Nous vous offrons aussi l'occasion de rencontrer les auteurs de la toute nouvelle publication de l'ACE, *Action Over Inertia*. Ne ratez pas cette occasion unique de poser des questions et de discuter avec des chefs de file de la profession.

Yoga matinal

Commencez votre journée en mettant votre corps et votre esprit au diapason grâce à nos séances de yoga gratuites qui se tiendront à l'Hôtel Marriott Harbourfront tous les matins dès 6 h 30, les 27, 28, et 29 mai, avant le début des activités du congrès. Vous n'avez pas besoin d'être un adepte du yoga pour participer—apportez un tapis de sol, portez vos vêtements d'entraînement et gardez l'esprit ouvert. Tout le monde est bienvenu!



Special Events

Thursday, May 27

Social Event-Ceilidh on the Waterfront

Join friends and colleagues for an evening on the Halifax Waterfront to experience a Kitchen Ceilidh. Located at Murphy's on the Water, wrapped in the warmth and charm of Eastern Canadian hospitality, you will experience the relaxed pace of life that is cherished by both locals and visitors.

With a picturesque outdoor patio and windows providing a panoramic view of the Halifax Harbour, Murphy's Restaurant offers guests the feeling of being on the water without having to leave land. Indulge in the dinner of your choice (lobster, chicken or vegetarian), and enjoy foot stompin' music and the opportunity to take part in the celebration of Eastern Canadian culture.

Conference delegates will be piped from the Marriot Hotel to Murphy's on the Water at 6:00 p.m. The evening will begin with a special presentation and parade that will include a demonstration on the correct way to eat a lobster, followed by the annual COTF live auction.

Bring your dancing shoes and get ready for an evening of true east coast style! Smart casual dress is recommended. **Ticketed event**

Friday, May 28

Muriel Driver Memorial Lecture and Awards Ceremony

15:30-17:30

NS Ballroom

Come listen to Annette Majnemer, this year's Muriel Driver Memorial Lectureship Award winner. Annette has distinguished herself as a clinician, an educator and a researcher. Join us as we recognize her outstanding achievements and commitment to research in occupational therapy.

Following the Muriel Driver Memorial Lecture, CAOT will honour fellow occupational therapists who have made outstanding contributions to advancing the profession by presenting our award winners. COTF will also announce grant and scholarship recipients.

Événements spéciaux

Jeudi le 27 mai

Activité sociale- bal folklorique écossais (Ceilidh) au bord de l'eau

Participez avec vos amis et collègues à un bal folklorique écossais au port d'Halifax. Au Restaurant Murphy's on the Water, vous serez enveloppé par la chaleur et le charme de l'est du Canada et vous capterez la vie qui bat au rythme plus détendu de la côte est, qui est tellement apprécié par les gens de la place et les visiteurs.

Caractérisé par un patio extérieur pittoresque et des fenêtres qui offrent une vue panoramique sur le port d'Halifax, le Restaurant Murphy's donne à ses invités la sensation d'être sur l'eau, sans avoir à quitter la terre ferme. Savourer le plat de votre choix (homard, poulet ou végétarien), écoutez de la musique entraînante et profitez de l'occasion pour célébrer la culture de l'est du Canada.

Les délégués au congrès seront appelés au sifflet vers 18 h, afin de se rendre du Marriot Hotel au Restaurant Murphy's on the Water. La soirée débutera par une présentation spéciale et une parade, qui seront suivies d'une démonstration sur la façon classique de déguster un homard, puis des enchères en direct de la FCE.

Apportez vous souliers de danse et préparez-vous à vivre une soirée enlevante, dans le style de la côte est! Une tenue de ville décontractée est recommandée.

Événement payant

Vendredi le 28 mai

Discours commémoratif Muriel Driver et Cérémonie de remise des prix

15:30-17:30

NS Ballroom

Venez entendre le discours d'Annette Majnemer, qui s'est mérité le prix du discours commémoratif Muriel Driver cette année. Annette s'est distinguée à titre de clinicienne, d'éducatrice et de chercheuse. Assistez à la célébration de ses réalisations exceptionnelles et de son engagement envers la recherche en ergothérapie.

Après le discours commémoratif Muriel Driver, l'ACE décernera des prix fellow aux ergothérapeutes qui ont contribué de façon remarquable à l'avancement de la profession. La FCE annoncera également les lauréats des subventions et des bourses.

Have a chat with a CAOT Fellow

During lunch and morning and afternoon breaks on Thursday, May 28, CAOT Fellows welcome you to come to the Ballroom Foyer Alcove to chat one on one in an informal setting. Perhaps you'd like to learn more regarding graduate or post graduate opportunities, share some insights from your practice, gain a new perspective on a challenging research problem, get a bit of encouragement for a new endeavour. Please drop by. We would love to see you.

Special Events

Student Social- Keith's Brewery Tour

19:00- 23:00

Join fellow students and alumni from Dalhousie University's Occupational Therapy program for a one-hour theatrical tour of one of the oldest breweries in Canada, Keith's Brewery. Go back into time with actors on staff and get a peak at the brewery process in 1863. Afterwards, enjoy songs, stories and samples of Keith's finest at the Stag Head's tavern. For more information, please visit www.keiths.ca

Ticketed event

The Red Stag Tavern

Join us at the Red Stag Tavern after the tour for live Maritime music. Beverages and food will be available for purchase! For more information visit www.redstag.ca

Maritime Museum of the Atlantic

20:00-22:00

Explore the many wonders of the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic as it opens its doors to conference delegates. Known as the oldest and largest Maritime Museum in Canada, you will have the opportunity to explore collections and exhibits that represent the marine history of Nova Scotia, as well as, the marine history of other regions that have impacted, or been of great importance to, the people of Nova Scotia. The museum houses collections that date back as far as 1850 and includes over 24,000 artifacts.

Exhibits include, but are not limited to: The Small Craft Gallery; Halifax Wrecked, the Story of the Halifax Explosion; North Atlantic Convoy, The World War II struggle against German U-boats; Titanic: The Unsinkable Ship and Halifax; and Shipwreck Treasures of Nova Scotia. For more information about the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic, visit <http://museum.gov.ns.ca/mma>.

The Maritime Museum of the Atlantic is located in downtown Halifax at the heart of Halifax's Historic Waterfront at 1675 Lower Water Street. Doors open to delegates at 20:00. Free admission – cash bar.



Événements spéciaux

Activité sociale organisée par les étudiants-

Visite de la brasserie Alexander Keith

19:00- 23:00

Venez participer avec les étudiants et les anciens étudiants du programme d'ergothérapie de la Dalhousie University à une visite théâtrale d'une heure de l'une des plus anciennes brasseries au Canada. À la brasserie Alexander Keith, vous voyagerez dans le temps avec les acteurs, qui vous donneront également un aperçu de la façon dont la bière était brassée en 1863. Après la visite, vous pourrez entendre des chansons et des histoires, tout en dégustant les bières les plus raffinées de la brasserie Keith, à la Red Stag Tavern. Pour en savoir davantage, veuillez visiter le www.keiths.ca.

Activité payante.

The Red Stag Tavern

Après la visite de la brasserie, venez nous rejoindre à la Red Stag Tavern pour entendre de la musique des Maritimes en direct. Vous pourrez y faire l'achat de boissons et de nourriture! Pour en savoir plus, visitez le www.redstag.ca.

Musée maritime de l'Atlantique

20:00-22:00

Explorez les nombreuses merveilles du Musée maritime de l'Atlantique, qui ouvre ses portes aux délégués du congrès. Ce musée est le plus ancien et le plus grand musée maritime au Canada; vous aurez l'occasion d'explorer les collections et les expositions qui représentent l'histoire maritime de la Nouvelle-Écosse et d'autres régions qui ont joué un grand rôle ou qui ont eu beaucoup d'importance pour les gens de la Nouvelle-Écosse. Le musée détient des collections qui datent d'aussi loin que 1850 et qui comprennent plus de 24 000 artefacts.

Voici quelques-unes des expositions qui y sont présentées : la petite galerie d'art; les naufrages d'Halifax; l'histoire de l'explosion d'Halifax; le convoi de l'Atlantique Nord; les batailles de la Deuxième Guerre mondiale contre les sous-marins allemands; le Titanic: le bateau qui ne pouvait pas couler et Halifax; et les trésors trouvés dans les naufrages de la Nouvelle-Écosse. Pour en savoir davantage sur le Musée maritime de l'Atlantique, visitez le <http://museum.gov.ns.ca/mma>.

Le Musée maritime de l'Atlantique est situé au centre-ville d'Halifax, au 1675 Lower Water Street, au cœur du quartier historique du port. Le musée ouvre ses portes aux délégués à 20 h. Admission gratuite – bar payant.

Special Events

Saturday, May 29

Plenary Session

08:30-09:30

Come enjoy a stimulating presentation from widely published and noted scholar Florence Clark. Florence is the Professor and Associate Dean of the USC Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy and a charter member of the Academy of Research of the American Occupational Therapy Association. Florence's research and pedagogical interests over the past two decades have largely centered on the relationship of activity and lifestyle to health and wellness. Her recent scholarly activity centers on the design of lifestyle interventions for various populations such as independent-living older adults, business executives, persons with weight concerns, and individuals with spinal cord injury.

CAOT Annual General Meeting

10:00-11:00

CAOT members and guests are invited to the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists. Following regular business, members may participate in the annual member forum.

COTF Annual General Meeting

11:00-11:30

Members of the Canadian Occupational Therapy Foundation – individuals who have donated to the Foundation in the past 12 months – are invited to attend the Foundation's official Annual General Meeting.

COTF Lunch with a Scholar

11:30-13:00

Discover how different types of evidence can be translated into action at a policy and practical level in Dr. Deborah Cameron's (Assistant Professor and International Fieldwork Coordinator for the Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at the University of Toronto), presentation: Putting Evidence into Action and Your Actions into Evidence.

Dr. Deborah Cameron is an Assistant Professor and International Fieldwork Coordinator in the Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at the University of Toronto and partner in Reach Therapy Services working with children and families. Her research interests include international health and fieldwork, and interventions for children and parenting.

Ticketed event.

Événements spéciaux

Samedi le 29 mai

Séance plénière

08:30-09:30

Venez assister à la conférence captivante de Florence Clark, une érudite reconnue dont les travaux ont été largement publiés. Florence est professeure et vice-doyenne de la USC Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy et elle est membre fondateur de l'Academy of Research of the American Occupational Therapy Association. Au cours des deux dernières décennies, les travaux de recherche et les intérêts pédagogiques de Florence ont été largement centrés sur la relation entre l'activité et le style de vie et la santé et le bien-être. Ses activités de recherches récentes étaient axées sur la conception d'interventions sur le style de vie auprès de diverses populations comme les aînés vivant de manière autonome, les directeurs d'entreprises, les personnes ayant des problèmes de poids et les personnes ayant des lésions de la moelle épinière.

Assemblée générale annuelle de l'ACE

10:00-11:00

Les membres de l'ACE et les délégués sont invités à assister à l'Assemblée générale annuelle de l'Association canadienne des ergothérapeutes. Après la discussion des affaires courantes, les membres pourront participer au forum annuel des membres.

Assemblée générale annuelle de la FCE

11:00-11:30

Les membres de la Fondation canadienne d'ergothérapie – c'est-à-dire les personnes qui ont versé des dons à la Fondation dans les 12 mois suivant la dernière assemblée annuelle – sont invités à assister à l'Assemblée générale annuelle de la FCE.

Dîner-causerie de la FCE en compagnie d'un érudit

11:30-13:00

Découvrez comment différents types de preuves peuvent se traduire par des actions au niveau politique et pratique lors de la conférence de la Dre Deborah Cameron intitulée : Putting Evidence into Action and Your Actions into Evidence.

Madame Cameron est professeure agrégée et coordonnatrice des stages internationaux au Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy de l'University of Toronto et elle est membre partenaire des Reach Therapy Services, une entreprise offrant des services aux enfants et aux familles. Ses travaux de recherche portent sur la santé, les stages internationaux et les interventions auprès des enfants et de leurs parents.

Activité payante.

Special Events

President's Address and Closing Ceremony

15:30 – 16:30

CAOT President Liz Taylor will discuss the ways occupational therapy can enable an ocean of possibility and will leave you feeling inspired to stimulate change!

The 2010 Conference Host Committee will carry on the tradition of passing on the conference suitcase to next year's committee. Conference 2011 will be held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

The Halifax Ghost Walk

8:30-10:15 pm

Located directly above Brunswick street at the Old Town Clock on Citadel Hill, the Halifax Ghost Walk is a 1 ¾ hour-long walking tour, which takes you through the streets of Old Halifax at night. The Halifax Ghost Walk was founded in 1990 and is the oldest and most respected ghost walk in North America. Its narrators have led tens of thousands of tourists and local residents through Halifax's historic streets at night to spin tales of ghosts, pirates, hauntings, buried treasures, and other mysterious things from the city's rich past. Poking around various nooks and crannies allows you to see the city in a different light. It is an interesting, thought provoking, and fun way to spend part of an evening in Halifax.

The tour is designed for all age groups and is typically conducted on dark, quiet nights. Halifax's downtown core is safe, pedestrian-friendly, and historic in appearance. For more information visit www.thehalifaxghostwalk.com. Note: If you require accommodation for accessibility please indicate this on your registration.

Ticketed event

Événements spéciaux

Discours de la présidente de l'ACE et Cérémonie de clôture

15:30 – 16:30

La présidente de l'ACE Liz Taylor discutera des façons dont l'ergothérapie peut permettre de faciliter un océan de possibilités, tout en vous invitant à créer le changement!

Le comité organisateur du Congrès 2010 poursuivra la tradition qui consiste à remettre la valise du congrès au comité organisateur de l'an prochain. Le Congrès 2011 aura lieu à Saskatoon, en Saskatchewan.

La Tour de l'horloge, colline de la Citadelle (anglais seulement)

20 h 30 – 22 h 15

La visite fantôme d'Halifax est une visite à la marche d'une durée d'une heure et ¾, qui vous entraîne dans les rues de la vieille ville d'Halifax, en soirée. La visite fantôme d'Halifax a été créée en 1990 et il s'agit de la plus ancienne visite fantôme et de l'expérience du genre la plus respectée en Amérique du Nord. Les narrateurs de cette visite ont guidé des dizaines de milliers de touristes et de résidents locaux à travers les rues historiques d'Halifax la nuit, en racontant des histoires de fantômes, de pirates, de maisons hantées et de trésors cachés et bien d'autres choses mystérieuses enfouies dans le riche passé de la ville. En fouillant les coins et recoins de la ville, vous la découvrirez sous un angle différent. Voilà une façon intéressante et surprenante de passer une belle soirée à Halifax.

La visite, qui s'adresse à tous les groupes d'âges, est généralement offerte les jours tranquilles où il fait très noir. Le centre-ville d'Halifax est un quartier historique sécuritaire, qui est bien adapté aux piétons. Pour en savoir davantage, visitez le www.thehalifaxghostwalk.com.

Remarque : Si vous avez besoin d'arrangements particuliers en matière d'accessibilité, veuillez l'indiquer sur votre formulaire d'inscription.

Événement payant

CAOT Conference Delegates get discounted rates!

Murphy's on the Water offers boat tours at a 15% discount to conference delegates. Choose from the many they have to offer: Mar Sailing— \$22.99 + tax per person, Haligonain III—Nature & Whale Watching Tour \$33.99 + tax per person, Summer Bay—Fishing Tour \$49.99 + tax per person, Harbour Hopper—Land & Sea Tours \$24.99 + tax person. Schedule and rates before the discount. A coupon will be included in your delegate bag for the discount.

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Forums and Sponsored Sessions

CAOT Professional Issue Forums

Knowledge translation strategies for enhancing use of Enabling Occupation II

Thursday, May 27 8:30-11:30 Halifax A

CAOT has a long history of working together with members to provide a vision for the conceptual grounding, processes and outcomes of occupational therapy in Canada. In 2007 CAOT launched the 8th set of guidelines for occupational therapy in Canada entitled, *Enabling Occupation II: Advancing an Occupational Therapy Vision for Health, Well-being, & Justice through Occupation*. This document is a companion to the 1997/2002 document *Enabling Occupation: An Occupational Therapy Perspective*.

In our pursuit to advance excellence in occupational therapy CAOT recognizes that we must continue to synthesize and disseminate knowledge to support occupational therapy practice. We are driven by a vision to promote the practice of occupational enablement. We need to identify effective knowledge translation strategies to enhance the uptake of the new enabling guidelines.

This Professional Issue Forum will provide CAOT members with an opportunity to provide feedback and explore how the Enabling Occupation guideline documents resonate with current practice. Through facilitated small group discussions participants will be provided opportunities to provide feedback on, how the guidelines are being implemented, what impact the guidelines have on practice and ways CAOT can continue in its pursuit to advance occupational enablement for occupational therapists and our clients.

The Development of a Definition of Advanced Practice in Occupational Therapy in Canada

Friday May 28 8:30-11:30 Halifax A

The need for CAOT to explore the concept of advanced practice for occupational therapy in Canada was established as a strategic action for 2009 with a goal to establish a clear definition of advanced practice which is portable and applicable across the country.

A steering committee and working group consisting of representatives from our professional and regulatory bodies, clinicians, educators plus provincial and federal governments has been established. Background information and findings from the 2009 Advanced Practice Professional Issue Forum as well as consultation with stakeholders to explore the scope, opportunities and educational requirements for advanced practice occupational therapy will serve as the foundation for the development of a definition. The outcome of this process will be presented at Conference 2010 for feedback and followed by the development of a position paper on Advanced Practice in Occupational Therapy in Canada.

Forums et séances parrainées

Forum de l'ACE sur une question professionnelle :

Stratégies d'application des connaissances pour rehausser l'utilisation de Faciliter l'occupation

Jeudi 27 mai, de 8 h 30 à 11 h 30 Halifax A

Depuis longtemps, l'ACE travaille en étroite collaboration avec ses membres pour élaborer une vision sur les fondements conceptuels, les processus et les résultats de l'ergothérapie au Canada. En 2007, l'ACE lançait la huitième série de lignes directrices sur l'ergothérapie au Canada, intitulées, *Faciliter l'occupation : l'avancement d'une vision de l'ergothérapie en matière de santé, bien-être et justice à travers l'occupation*. Ce document vient compléter le document *Promouvoir l'occupation : une perspective de l'ergothérapie*, paru en 1997/2002.

Dans sa poursuite de l'excellence en ergothérapie, l'ACE reconnaît qu'elle doit continuer de faire la synthèse et de disséminer les connaissances en ergothérapie afin d'appuyer la pratique de l'ergothérapie. Nous sommes soutenus par notre vision, qui est de promouvoir la pratique fondée sur la participation occupationnelle. Pour accomplir cette mission, nous devons déterminer des stratégies efficaces d'application des connaissances afin de favoriser l'adoption des nouvelles lignes directrices sur l'habilitation de l'occupation.

Ce forum permettra aux membres de l'ACE d'exprimer leurs commentaires et réactions et d'examiner comment les dernières lignes directrices font écho à la pratique actuelle. À partir de petits groupes de discussion dirigés, les participants auront la possibilité de réagir à la façon dont les lignes directrices sont mises en œuvre, à l'impact des lignes directrices sur la pratique et à la manière dont l'ACE peut continuer de promouvoir la participation occupationnelle au nom des ergothérapeutes et de leurs clients.

Forum de l'ACE sur une question professionnelle :

Élaboration d'une définition de la pratique avancée en ergothérapie au Canada

Vendredi 28 mai, de 8 h 30 à 11 h 30 Halifax A

En 2009, l'une des priorités stratégiques de l'ACE était d'examiner le concept de la pratique avancée en ergothérapie au Canada, dans le but d'élaborer une définition claire de la pratique avancée qui soit transférable et applicable à travers le pays.

Un comité consultatif et un groupe de travail ont été établis; ces deux groupes sont composés de représentants de nos organismes professionnels et de réglementation, des cliniciens, des éducateurs et des gouvernements fédéral et provinciaux. De l'information générale découlant du forum de 2009 sur la pratique avancée, de même qu'une consultation auprès des parties prenantes permettront de jeter les bases de cette définition. Le résultat de ce processus sera présenté au congrès 2010, afin d'informer les membres; à la suite de

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Through facilitated small group discussion CAOT members will have the opportunity to provide feedback and contribute to the process of confirming a definition and explore career opportunities, educational requirements and potential barriers associated with advanced practice in occupational therapy in Canada. Member participation is critical for the refinement of this definition which in turn will assist in CAOT's pursuit to advance excellence and leadership in occupational therapy.

CAOT Project Updates Session

Friday May 28 13:00

Halifax A

In accordance with the mission to advance excellence in occupational therapy, the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists (CAOT) recognizes that fostering leadership and mentorship are key elements to the continuous development of the profession of occupational therapy.

Our professional leaders strive to push boundaries and champion advancements in practice, policy, research, and education to develop and promote client-centred, occupation based enablement. Mentorship creates relationships that encourage professional growth, development, and confidence to help achieve personal potential and, in turn, create new leaders.

This project update will energize occupational therapists with strategic ideas for fostering leadership and enabling mentorship opportunities to develop and promote a client-centered approach to occupational therapy.

This session will:

- Introduce key concepts of leadership and mentorship in the context of professional development,
- Provide updates on CAOT projects that have fostered leadership and mentorship opportunities. (e.g. Caseload Management, Enabling Occupation II, National Blueprint for Older Driver Safety, Internationally Educated Occupational Therapists, Extended Health Care Lobby, Mentoring Gateway).

Participants will engage in;

- Interactive exercises to explore strategies to foster mentorship and leadership,
- A dialogue on leadership and mentorship to advance excellence in the profession.

CAOT Poster Presentations- located throughout the convention levels,

Revision of the Certification Exam Blueprint

The certification exam blueprint defines entry level Canadian occupational therapy practice and provides a map for the structure and content of the examination. Recent introduction of several key documents that influence entry-level practice of occupational therapy in Canada fuelled a review and revision of the 2002 certification exam blueprint. Credentialing examination development and review requires a rigorous process. The revision of the 2002 certification exam blueprint took place over a 13 month period between

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cette présentation, une prise de position sera élaborée sur la pratique avancée de l'ergothérapie au Canada.

À partir de petits groupes de discussion dirigés, les membres de l'ACE auront la possibilité d'exprimer leur opinion et de participer au processus visant à confirmer une définition et à explorer les possibilités de carrière, les exigences en matière d'éducation et les barrières éventuelles associées à la pratique avancée en ergothérapie au Canada. La participation des membres est essentielle à l'élaboration de cette définition, qui permettra à l'ACE de promouvoir l'excellence et le leadership en ergothérapie.

Séance de mise à jour sur les projets de l'ACE

vendredi 28 mai, 13 h 00

Halifax A

Conformément à sa mission, qui consiste à promouvoir l'excellence en ergothérapie, l'Association canadienne des ergothérapeutes (ACE) reconnaît que les activités favorisant le leadership et le mentorat sont des éléments clés pour le développement continu de la profession d'ergothérapeute.

Nos chefs de file professionnels continuent de repousser les frontières et de favoriser les progrès dans la pratique, la recherche et l'enseignement afin de développer et de promouvoir l'occupation centrée sur le client. Le mentorat permet de créer des relations qui favorisent la croissance et le développement professionnels et de donner aux ergothérapeutes la confiance en leur potentiel personnel, ce qui, en retour, permet de former de nouveaux chefs de file.

Cette mise à jour énergisera les ergothérapeutes en leur présentant des idées stratégiques pour favoriser le leadership et les possibilités de mentorat afin de développer et de promouvoir une approche centrée sur le client en ergothérapie.

Pendant la séance :

- les concepts clés du leadership et du mentorat seront présentés dans le contexte du perfectionnement professionnel;
- des mises à jour seront présentées sur les projets de l'ACE qui ont favorisé les possibilités de leadership et de mentorat (p. ex., Projet sur la gestion du nombre de cas, Faciliter l'occupation, Plan d'action national pour la prévention des blessures chez les conducteurs âgés, Portail à l'intention des diplômés internationaux en ergothérapie, revendication de l'inclusion des services d'ergothérapie dans les régimes d'assurance santé complémentaire, passerelle du mentorat).

Les participants auront l'occasion :

- de faire des exercices interactifs pour examiner des stratégies visant à favoriser le mentorat et le leadership;
- d'engager un dialogue sur le leadership et le mentorat afin de promouvoir l'excellence au sein de la profession.

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January 2008- February 2009 and involved three phases (1) Review of key documents and a workshop involving the Certification Examination Committee; representatives from CAOT, Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy Regulatory Organizations (ACOTRO), Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy University Programs (ACOTUP) and the Division of Studies in Medical Education. (2) Feedback from Certification Examination Committee (3) Broad based feedback including ACOTRO and ACOTUP. Ultimately the revised blueprint was compared to the Profile of Occupational Therapy Practice in Canada (2007) and compared to the competencies identified in the Essential competencies of Practice of Occupational Therapists in Canada, 2nd Edition (ACOTRO, 2004). In both instances items were assessed for suitability for assessment on a multiple choice examination. The revised blueprint and support documents were presented to and approved by both the Certification Examination Committee and the CAOT Board of Directors.

Seniors Caring for Seniors Examining the Literature on Injuries and Contributing Factors Affecting the Health and Well-Being of Older Adult Caregivers

The health and well-being of caregivers is an emerging public health issue of paramount concern. Older caregivers are potentially at greater risk for injury and subsequent activity limitations and participation restrictions than younger counterparts. The issues of older caregivers are not well defined in the literature. Given the aging population and projected numbers of older members of Canadian society requiring care, the issue of injury prevention for older adults in a caregiver role is an area in critical need of development. This poster presents a summary of a paper developed by CAOT on behalf of the Public Health Agency, Division of Aging and Seniors.

Collaborative Chronic Disease Research Agenda

Synthesis of results arising from the stakeholder meeting (March 2009) and follow-up membership survey (November 2009) has revealed a final research agenda outlining seven key Chronic Disease Research Priorities. Presentation of research methodology and outcomes are presented in a poster format.

People to People Ambassador Program

One of CAOT's strategic priorities is to continue to develop an international reputation and exposure. This includes highlighting and promoting international experiences of CAOT members. As such, CAOT partnered with the People to People Ambassador Program and in the Fall of 2009 the first delegation of Canadian occupational therapists undertook a professional and cultural program in China. This poster presentation will provide a montage and succinct overview of that delegation's experience and the results of the delegation.

Canadian Occupational Therapy Foundation Sponsored Session

Practitioner/Academic Partnerships: Good for You, Essential for the Profession

Thursday, May 27 13:00

Halifax A

This session will raise the issue of partnership including its strengths and difficulties. Once attendees have an idea of the issue, i.e. partnership between practitioners and academics, there will be an interactive portion that explores partnerships specifically related to research in occupational therapy. The session will be facilitated by Jacquie Ripat, Marlene Stern, Donna Collins and Pam Wener.

World Federation of Occupational Therapists Sponsored Session

Saturday, May 29 13:30

Halifax C

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The focus of this presentation is to provide an overview of that delegation's experience, results of the delegation, and potential future opportunities for members of CAOT to engage in professional and cultural delegations abroad.

Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy Regulatory Organizations (ACOTRO) Sponsored Session

Evaluating Your Practice. Are You Prepared?

Thursday, May 27 15:30

Acadia A

ACOTRO will introduce the NEW Essential Competencies of Practice for Occupational Therapists in Canada, third edition. A facilitated panel will discuss the changes to the Essential Competencies for Practice and how it can guide practice for occupational therapists in Canada. Learn about work being done to develop the essential competencies for non-clinical roles.

Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy University Programs (ACOTUP) Sponsored Session

Exploring career pathways: Demystifying the road to academia

Saturday, May 29 13:00

Halifax A

This interactive two hour session is presented by the Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy University Programs (ACOTUP). Our aim is to demystify the various roles in academia from educator to researcher. We will present the wide spectrum of academic careers from adjunct/clinical instructor to tenure track appointments. We will feature some success stories of new graduates, junior faculty members, and senior faculty members at several Canadian universities. This session will be of interest to individuals who are contemplating an academic career and have questions about the academic career ladder.

Consumer presentations / Les présentations de consommateurs

T69 15:30-16:00

Acadia C

A helping hand from the lifeboat: Partnering with an occupational therapist

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This presentation tells the story of a unique three-way partnership between me, (a consumer) and my occupational therapy adviser and his occupational therapy student to develop and administer a spirituality survey at a psychiatric clinic. This began a journey for me which took me from being stuck in a rut, doing very little, after 13 years of dealing with mental illness to envisioning myself completing a Master's program in Psychology at age 55. The key message for session attendees is that it is possible and perhaps even desirable to include consumers in all steps of planning programs and doing research. This presentation will benefit occupational therapists by offering them an opportunity to learn of the personal impact of being included in such a way from a consumer of occupational therapy services. It will highlight what worked well and what could have been done differently.

F3 8:30-9:00

Halifax C

Veterans Affairs Canada Rehabilitation Program and Canada's Occupational Therapists

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Participants will learn about the new Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) Rehabilitation Program, and current research around the reintegration of Canadian Forces Veterans into civilian life; they will have an opportunity to discuss possible roles for occupational therapists in this and other VAC programs.



Symposia

T18 10:00-11:00

Halifax C

Symposium- Research, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community

Driving post-stroke: Safety outcomes and predictors of driving resumption

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This paper identifies the impact of stroke on driving safety and predictors of driving post-stroke. The relationships between physical function, cognition, type of stroke and driving post-stroke may be mediated by stroke severity, fatigue, and gender. Some factors impacting on driving resumption may be amenable to occupational therapy interventions.

Symposium- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Characteristics of schizophrenia patients who own driver's licenses

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This paper compares executive function of schizophrenia patients who own driver's licenses with that of schizophrenia patients who did not go through the process of getting a license. Additional comparisons between the two groups included the level of participation in daily occupations and the positive and negative syndrome scale (PANS S) score.

Symposium- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Supporting safe driving with arthritis: Tools for clinicians and consumers

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Evidence suggests that drivers with arthritis have a higher risk for crashes and traffic violations. Results from focus groups with consumers and clinicians informed the development of a web-based resource that can support clinical decision-making and community mobility.

T38 13:00-14:00 Halifax C
 Symposium- Research, Adult General /
 Clinical-Community

Is activity level key to reducing fatigue in chronic conditions?

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While the literature reports contradictory results on how activity level and fatigue are correlated, it is hard to guide people with different levels of activity to manage their fatigue. This study showed that regardless of activity level, improvement in stress and self-efficacy were the predictors of improvement in fatigue.

**Symposium- Research, Adult Health /
 Clinical-Community**

Impact of teleconference delivered fatigue management education on occupational well-being

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Occupational well-being was examined as a secondary outcome in a randomized control trial examining the effectiveness and efficacy of a teleconference delivered fatigue management program for people with multiple sclerosis. Using the Occupational Well-Being Questionnaire, preliminary analysis indicated significant improvement immediately after the intervention, which was maintained at six weeks follow-up.

**Symposium- Research, Adult Health /
 Clinical-Community**

Fatigue and occupational engagement in mothers with and without arthritis

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Rarely have studies compared fatigue ratings in clinical and general populations. This study of 342 women demonstrates that mothers with arthritis experience considerably more fatigue than mothers without arthritis. Fatigue further limits engagement in everyday activities, including parenting tasks and household work.

T66 15:30-17:00 Halifax C
 Symposium- Education, Non Specific to Client Group /
 Education

Strategies to move evidence-based knowledge into rehabilitation practice

Anita Menon (University of Toronto, Toronto) Nicol Korner-Bitensky, Monika Kastner, Ann McKibbin, Sharon Straus anita.menon@utoronto.ca

This session will highlight which single/multi-component knowledge translation interventions are effective for improving knowledge, attitudes, and practice behaviors of occupational therapists and physical therapists. The goal of

enhancing knowledge and practice behaviors is to ultimately increase clinicians' use of best practices and empower the next generation of "critical thinkers" in rehabilitation.

**Symposium- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group /
 Clinical-Community**

Exploring preferences for research evidence in community-based therapists

Grace Warner (Dalhousie University, Halifax) Jennifer Easterly-Krasowski, Lindsay Lovely, Deanna Slaney, Alice Anand, Holly Wilson

Introduction: Information is needed on what research evidence home-based therapists want. Methods: Focus group and online survey. Research areas: client/family education, interventions in rural and community settings, safety, and advantages of home-based versus hospital-based care. Conclusions: This could inform the synthesis and dissemination of research for community-based therapists.

**Symposium- Education, Non Specific to Client Group /
 Education**

Knowledge translation: Increasing access to research findings through Cafés

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Science cafés are promoted as an additional mode of knowledge translation, providing an informal venue for disseminating research findings. Lessons learned from a series of six cafés focus on the interactive discussion among researchers, practitioners and the public, specific to research on the relationship between meaningful occupation and health.

**Symposium- Education, Non Specific to Client Group /
 Education**

Developing evidence-based clinical reasoning skills through reflective learning

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The study objective was to explore, with a small group of occupational therapists, how reflective learning could help develop evidence-based clinical reasoning skills. A collaborative research strategy was used. Results led to the development of the Model of Research Utilization Grounded in Critical Reflection.

T67 15:30-16:30 Halifax B
 Symposium- Other Theory-Practice Link, Non Specific to
 Client Group / Theory

Strengthening "community" in our models and our practice

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Community development literature outlining key principles was reviewed in relation to examples of occupational

therapists engaging in community development and two Canadian occupational therapy models. Commonalities in principles and approach were identified, as were inconsistencies. Suggestions to strengthen the link between occupational therapy theory and community development will be proposed.

Symposium- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Theory

Occupational community development: Navigating between health and community

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A qualitative collective case study was conducted in which three diverse occupational therapy community development programs were explored. Occupational therapists were seen to be in unique positions that allowed them to bridge health and community services. They accomplished this bridging through five key processes, which are described.

Symposium- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Challenges for community assessment and development in cross-cultural occupational therapy

Megan Rocquin (University of Ottawa, Ottawa) Rachel Thibeault

This paper presents and compares two sets of tools for community assessment and mobilization that rely on occupation and are applicable cross-culturally: the Training for Transformation format, created in South Africa, and the Social Analysis System (SAS-2) designed in Canada.

F28 10:30-11:30 Halifax C

Symposium- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Engaging in spirituality dialogue with clients living with schizophrenia

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A qualitative study was designed to explore the meaning of spirituality for people with schizophrenia. Eleven participants engaged in a three-phase data collection process. Data was analyzed using a phenomenological method. Findings show that participants desire therapists to validate their experience of spirituality as part of facilitating engagement in meaningful occupation.

Symposium- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Meaning, occupation and identity: Strategies for working with spiritual content

Rachel Thibeault (University of Ottawa, Ottawa)

To help address spiritual issues at the centre of the Canadian Model of Occupational Performance in practice settings or in classrooms, this paper reports strategies for facilitating the expression of deeply meaningful content through occupation and offers general guidelines for use with clients, students or oneself.

S2 13:00-14:30 Halifax B

Symposium- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Is there a place for rehabilitation in primary care?

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This session presents the results of a survey implemented in 67 primary care clinics, throughout the province of Quebec. 14833 participants answered a short questionnaire, which included the WHO Disability Assessment Schedule II. Activities limitations and participation restrictions reported by participants will be examined, in relation to various health issues, patterns of comorbidity and demographic data.

Symposium- OtherEmerging Practice/ Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Exploring a role for occupational therapy in postnatal healthcare

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Becoming a parent involves significant changes that have implications for parents and infants. Occupational therapists have core skills to address these changes; however are not currently active members of postnatal healthcare teams. Through a critical literature review and exploration of theory a potential role for occupational therapists has been identified.

Symposium- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Operational stress injury: A place for occupational therapy in the Canadian Forces

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Operational stress injury affects approximately 28% of Canadian Forces personnel. Current service gaps are associated with stigmatization and early discharge. This critical review examines the need for occupational therapy services in the military and the move towards operationalizing these services.

Session Information

Conference sessions are listed in chronological order. Please note that some sessions run for more than one time slot.

Posters are available for viewing throughout the day. Presenters are available to defend their posters for 25 minutes as indicated in the program.

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- S1-S38 are presented on Saturday

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Information sur les séances

Les séances du congrès sont présentées en ordre chronologique. Veuillez prendre note que certaines séances sont présentées à plus d'une plage horaire.

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Les affiches demeurent disponible toute la journée. Les présentateurs seront sur place pour défendre leurs affiches pendant 25 minutes à l'heure indiquée dans le programme.

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New Sessions | Nouvelles séances

T25 10:30-11:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 19

Poster: Research - Non Specific to Client Group / Theory
Cognitive strategies and motor learning
Madeleine Bonnard, Noémi Cantin, Helene Polatajko

Thursday/ jeudi

T54 14:00-14:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 7

Poster- Research - Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Institution
Discovering the meaning of art for teens with acquired disabilities

Ashley Graham, Patty Rigby, Sarah Dobbs

T77 16:30-17:00

Paper, Research - Older Adult General / Clinical-Institution

The relationship between driving and occupational performance in older adults
Pauline Cousins

Friday/ vendredi

F60 14:00-14:30

Paper, Practice - Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Transition from jail to community for adults with FASD
Sharon Brintnell, Alana Gordon, Janice Laughy, Laura Krefting

Saturday/ samedi

S9 13:00-13:30

Poster, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

En-route to enablement: Investigating observation patterns of occupational therapists
Diane MacKenzie

S31 14:30-15:00

Paper, Practice - Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Occupational Performance Coaching (OPC): An overview and experience of methods

Fiona Graham, Sylvia Rodger, Jenny Ziviani

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Thursday/ jeudi

T25 Perceived and tested cognition in multiple sclerosis: Differences across gender

Shang Yuan Teng, Susan Bartlett, Lisa Koski, Nancy Mayo

T54 14:00-14:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 7

Poster- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Enveloping learning system for teaching and refreshing hand anatomy knowledge

Pat McKee (University of Toronto, Toronto) Anne Agur

T77 Correlation between medical examinations and functional evaluation after pelvic fracture

Paper Presentation- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution

Navah Ratzon, Sharon Fridman-Sitton

Friday/ vendredi

F7 A boy, a shield and a volcano: Self-regulation with PTSD

Poster Presentation- Practice, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution

Jennifer Field

F22 Where are children looking during motor learning?

Poster Presentation- Research, Child/Adolescent Health / Education

Noemi Cantin

F60 Culture and occupation - a community program for Ethiopian immigrant children in Israel

Paper Presentation- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Sarah Gat, Einat Olinki, Michal Avrech, Einat Shevil, Lena Lipskia, Gila Rabinovich, Navah Ratzon

Saturday/ samedi

S9 Informed shared decision-making, client-centred care, and occupational therapy

Poster Presentation- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group Theory

Janet Jull, Joan Versnel

S31 The LIFEspan Service: Transitioning youth to adult healthcare

Paper Presentation- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Institution

Bronwen Moore, Carie Gall

Changes | changements

Thursday/ jeudi

T48 14:00-15:00 from Saturday

Extended discussion, Practice - Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Community

Enabling social change in everyday practice

Jen Davis (Cobequid Physiotherapy, Truro, NS) Avai Kochanoff,

Shirley Anderson, Robin Stadnyk

Friday/ vendredi

F7 8:30-9:00 from Saturday

Poster, Education - Adult General / Education

Development of an expert model of evidence based practice

Aliki Thomas (McGill, Montreal) Alenoush Saroyan

Saturday/ samedi

S14 13:30-14:30 from Thursday

WFOT Sponsored Session

Tuesday, May 25

Pre-conference Workshops

Chronic disease self-management: Forgotten populations and new practice opportunities
Presenters: Tanya Packer & Joan Versnel
Location: Halifax B

Wheelchair skills training for manual wheelchair users: Practical "boot-camp" for trainers
Presenters: Char Smith & R. Lee Kirby
Location: Halifax C

Wednesday, May 26

Pre-conference Workshops

Promoting *Action Over Inertia: An occupational therapy intervention to enable the recovery of meaningful activities for people with serious mental illness*
Presenters: Megan Edgelow & Terry Krupa
Location: Halifax B

Leading occupational therapy practice through guidelines: Reviewing, developing, implementing and evaluating for best practice
Presenters: Mandy Lowe, Debbie Hebert, Mary Kita, Susan Rappolt, & Catherine Chater
Location: Halifax C

18:30-20:30
Opening Ceremony and Keynote Address /
Cérémonie d'ouverture et discours d'honneur

20:30-22:00
Reception- Trade Show Grand Opening and Author Meet & Greet / Réception- Ouverture du salon professionnel et Rencontre avec les auteurs

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Event reminders • Rappel d'événement

6:30
Morning yoga /Yoga matinal

18 :00-23 :00
Social Event-Ceilidh on the Waterfront / Activité sociale-folklorique écossais (Ceilidh) au bord de l'eau

T1 8:30-11:30 Halifax A

Professional Issue Forum
Knowledge translation strategies for enhancing use of Enabling Occupation II
Janet Craik (Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists, Ottawa) jcraik@caot.ca
This Professional Issue Forum will provide CAOT members with an opportunity to provide feedback and explore how the Enabling Occupation guideline documents resonate with current practice. Through facilitated small group discussions participants will be provided opportunities to provide feedback on, how the guidelines are being implemented, what impact the guidelines have on practice and ways CAOT can continue in its pursuit to advance occupational enablement for occupational therapists and our clients.

T2 8:30-9:30 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Other Research and practice, Non Specific to Client Group /Theory
Space, place and health: Implications for occupational therapy
Mary Forhan (McMaster University, Hamilton) Carri Hand forhanm@mcmaster.ca
This session will include a description of the concepts of space and place, social-ecological theories that describe health and methods including social observation and time-space-activity assessment. Participants will apply knowledge and assessment methods to case examples related to chronic disease and identify implications for occupational therapy practice and research.

T3 8:30-9:30 Halifax C

Extended discussion- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group /Theory
Applying occupational therapy concepts for systems change
Janet Jull (Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists, Ottawa) Susan Doble jjull@caot.ca
Professionals often encounter formal program structure barriers in their work environment; such barriers can negatively affect occupational engagement of people working or receiving services in the environment. Using occupational therapy concepts, professionals can develop strategies that enhance their work, through enabling change at the systems level. Application of such strategies can effect change in complex environments that influence occupational performance through addressing program structure barriers, and thereby benefiting individuals, organizations, and/or teams.

T4 8:30-9:30 Acadia A

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Relationship between leisure and life quality in children with Cerebral Palsy

Annette Majnemer (McGill University, Montreal) Michael Shevell, Mary Law, Chantal Poulin, Peter Rosenbaum
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This study describes participation in leisure activities in children with cerebral palsy, and explores the association between participation with health-related quality of life. The importance of involvement in physical activity for health and well-being is emphasized, as well as particular child factors that provide avenues for intervention to promote health.

T5 8:30-9:00 Acadia B

Paper- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Addressing gender issues in clinical education: Turning the tide

Donna Barker (University of Toronto, Toronto) Rachel Stack, Nick Reed
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What are we doing as occupational therapy educators to encourage gender diversity and optimize student learning experience in fieldwork? This session will examine current research regarding gender and education and how clinical educators can adapt teaching styles and environments to create an optimal learning experience for both males and females.

T6 8:30-9:00 Acadia C

Paper- Research, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community
Predictive validity of the Montreal Cognitive Assessment for driving performance

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The Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MoCA) is an accessible and easy to administer global cognitive screen for Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI). This study aims to determine the ability of the MoCA to predict on-road driving performance and its association with the performance on the Useful field of vision test (UFOV).

T7 8:30-9:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 12

Poster- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Institution

Client death: Occupational therapists' preparation, reaction, and experience

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This study addresses occupational therapists' reactions to client death in various practice settings. It includes the experience and preparation for client death in order to enhance professional understanding. The intent is to give voice to occupational therapists' experiences regarding client death in the current discussion among health care fields.

T8 8:30-9:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 21

Poster- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution

Clothing adaptations for covering the Ilizarov frame

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This poster illustrates adaptive clothing ideas provided by clients to conceal and protect the Ilizarov external fixation frame used for treatment of bone septic or aseptic non-unions. The illustrations and descriptions will be used in an educational booklet to allow clients to share their ideas with others.

T9 9:00-9:30 Acadia A

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Developmental disabilities in preschool children diagnosed with primary language impairment

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This study aims to describe the developmental profile (motor, cognitive, social, activities of daily living [ADL], adaptive behavior) of preschool children with primary language impairment. Results of developmental and functional evaluations indicate delays in cognitive, social, adaptive behavior and activities of daily living, while motor function appears less affected.

T10 9:00-9:30 Acadia B

Paper- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Cultural relevance and the transition to Canadian occupational therapy practice

Sue Baptiste (McMaster University, Hamilton) Leah Dix, Shaminder Dhillon, Heather Boyd, Elizabeth Steggles, Pat McMahan
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This presentation describes the experience of internationally educated occupational therapists transitioning to Canadian occupational therapy practice. Increased understanding of this process will benefit not only those in transition but also occupational therapists who provide supervision and support for new clinicians, thereby fostering ongoing collegial and collaborative communities.

T11 9:00-9:30 Acadia C

Paper- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution
Fitness-to-drive and mental illness: Defining the role of occupational therapists

Ingrid Menard (Jewish General Hospital, Montreal) Suzanne Rouleau, Nicol Korner-Bitensky, Magalie Benoit, Nadia Boulé-Laghzali, Marie-Claude Hébert, Julie Parent-Taillon, Jonathan Pérusse
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Two focus groups were conducted to explore occupational therapists' role in providing driving-related services to individuals with mental illnesses. Occupational therapists perceive that

they have a central role in providing driving-related services. However, the lack of evidence-based research and validated evaluation tools is currently a barrier to fulfilling this role.

T12 9:00-9:30 NS Foyer Poster Board 2

Poster- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration Health Policy

Gender-related issues encountered by male occupational therapy clinicians in Ontario

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Gender-related issues of male occupational therapists are largely unexplored and/or outdated. This paper identifies gender-related issues of male occupational therapists in Ontario that need to be addressed in order to improve the recruitment and retention of male occupational therapy practitioners in the profession.

T13 9:00-9:30 NS Foyer Poster Board 23

Poster- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Are interventions for dementia caregivers meeting their changing needs?

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Across the progressive stages of dementia, family caregivers experience changing roles and responsibilities with personal consequences of providing care. The objective of this research is to gather the findings from scientifically published interventions and determine the content of these interventions at different stages of illness progression.

T14 10:00-10:30 Halifax B

Paper- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration Health Policy

Access to community occupational therapy services: Legal and ethical issues

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The right to receive occupational therapy community services in the province of Québec is recognised by law. This jurisdictional analysis shows that its implementation is compromised by the random use of prioritizing criteria, partial response to complex needs, task delegation and long wait times before receiving the desired services.

T15 10:00-10:30 Acadia A

Paper- Research, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community

Cognitive components predictive of occupational competence in dementia: A Delphi study

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Occupational therapy in dementia care encompasses assessment of clients' abilities to perform occupations

necessary for safe and independent community living (occupational competence). A Delphi survey was conducted to develop a consensus statement based on the perspectives of Canadian occupational therapists regarding the components of cognitive competence most essential to predict occupational competence in people with dementia.

T16 10:00-10:30 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent Health / Clinical-Community

Motor skills and handwriting capacity in children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

Marie Brossard Racine (Ergothérapie de la maison à l'école, Montreal) Annette Majnemer, Michael Shevell, Laurie Snider, Stacey Bélanger

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The preliminary evidence of this ongoing prospective study shows that an important proportion of children newly diagnosed with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder is more likely to demonstrate impaired motor skills. It also provides new information on their handwriting capacity which appears to be highly variable in term of speed and legibility.

T17 10:00-10:30 Acadia C

Paper- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Does student fieldwork experience reflect the CAOT Practice Profile?

Catherine Donnelly (Queen's University, Kingston) Mary Lou Boudreau donnellyc@queensu.ca

It is essential that fieldwork placements cover a range of experiences that are reflective of practice. Student fieldwork profiles at one university will be compared to the CAOT Practice Profile (2007). Understanding student fieldwork profiles will help identify practice areas and settings that require further recruitment strategies.

SYMPOSIUM

T18 10:00-11:00 SYMPOSIUM Acadia C

Symposium- Research, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community

Driving post-stroke: Safety outcomes and predictors of driving resumption

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This paper identifies the impact of stroke on driving safety and predictors of driving post-stroke. The relationships between physical function, cognition, type of stroke and driving post-stroke may be mediated by stroke severity, fatigue, and gender. Some factors impacting on driving resumption may be amenable to OT interventions.

Symposium- Research, Adult Psych/Soc /
Clinical-Community

Characteristics of schizophrenia patients who own driver's licenses

Nurit Hellinger (Geha Mental Health Center, Petach-Tikva)
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This paper compares the executive function of schizophrenia patients who own driver's licenses with that of schizophrenia patients who did not go through the process of getting a license. Additional comparisons between the two groups included the level of participation in daily occupations and the positive and negative syndrome scale (PANS S) score.

Symposium- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community
Supporting safe driving with arthritis: Tools for clinicians and consumers

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Evidence suggests that drivers with arthritis have a higher risk for crashes and traffic violations. Results from focus groups with consumers and clinicians informed the development of a web-based resource that can support clinical decision-making and community mobility.

T19 10:00-10:30 NS Foyer Poster Board 4

Poster- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Practice schedules and motor learning in individuals with apraxia

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Individuals with apraxia have impairments in motor learning. Random practice schedules result in improved motor learning compared to blocked schedules in healthy individuals. This study looks at the relationship between practice schedules and motor learning in individuals with apraxia and can inform therapists on how to structure therapy sessions.

T20 10:00-10:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 13

Poster- Education, Adult General / Education
Learning together: Offering office ergonomics consultations in the university community

Leslie Johnson (University of Manitoba, Winnipeg)

Office based ergonomic consultations to promote safety and prevent musculoskeletal disorders of computer users is an increasing practice opportunity for occupational therapists. A partnership between an occupational therapy program and the university community which allows student occupational therapists to translate their knowledge into valuable service to university volunteers will be highlighted.

T21 10:30-11:30 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Changing the tide for children and youth - Imagine the possibilities

Donna Dennis (The University of Western Ontario, London)
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Occupational therapy services for children and youth are being increasingly eroded. This session will identify service gaps, enable participants to network and integrate their perspectives, and explore opportunities for change. The profession can then begin to collectively work towards increasing accessible, holistic, and occupation-focused services to children and youth.

T22 10:30-11:00 Acadia A

Paper- Practice, Older Adult General / Clinical-Institution

Concurrent validity of the Cognitive Performance Test

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The Cognitive Performance Test (CPT) is an inexpensive assessment of functional independence for persons with dementia. This validity data strengthens interpretation of the CPT as cognitive measure that is not highly influenced by age, education or motor skills. However, therapists must consider the sensitivity of CPT scores when making recommendations.

T23 10:30-11:00 Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Institution

Therapists' perspectives on using Talking Mats™ to administer the Canadian Occupational Performance Measure (COPM)

Lily Wainer (University of Toronto, Toronto) Chana Weinberg, Gail Teachman, Sheri McClement, Laura Franks, Patty Rigby

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Talking Mats™ (Murphy, 1997) is a communication framework that can support therapists to administer the COPM with clients who have complex communication needs. Focus group results demonstrated that Talking Mats™ enabled therapists to administer the COPM with these individuals. The benefits of adopting this framework will be shared.

T24 10:30-11:00 Acadia C

Paper- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Preparing students for undertaking international community development placements

Rachel Thibeault (University of Ottawa, Ottawa)

This papers describes the unfolding and content of an eight-week international placement with development agencies, non-governmental organizations, and other institutions in

the Global South that includes preparation modules, on-site teaching and supervision, journaling and discussion, and a six-month debriefing process upon the students' return. Challenges stemming from previous experience are presented.

T25 10:30-11:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 19

Poster- Research - Non Specific to Client Group / Theory

Cognitive strategies and motor learning

Madeleine Bonnard (Agence Ometz, Montreal)

Noémi Cantin, Helene Polatajko

This study explores the use of spontaneous, internally generated cognitive strategies during learning of a visuomotor task of increasing complexity and novelty. Findings outline categories of strategies verbalized during learning, and contribute to understanding cognitive processes involved in acquiring novel motor skills, informing cognitive approaches to interventions for motor tasks.

T26 10:30-11:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 24

Poster- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Pratiquer l'ergonomie de façon compétente, une possibilité accessible à l'ergothérapeute

Pierre-Yves Therriault (Université de Montréal, Montréal)

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L'ergothérapie et l'ergonomie permettent d'agir sur les contraintes liées aux occupations. Cette communication vise à outiller les ergothérapeutes pour une pratique ergonomique. Les données recueillies par entrevue ont été traitées avec « NVivo7 ». L'analyse des résultats montre que le rehaussement du niveau de formation permet d'envisager une pratique ergonomique.

T27 11:00-11:30 Halifax C

Paper- Research, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community

Visually impaired adults: Development of a person-environment assessment tool

Mathieu Carignan (Université de Montréal, Montréal)

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Many occupational therapists have only a vague idea of the issues to take into consideration with the visually impaired population (low vision and blindness). By explaining the development of a new assessment tool, the presentation covers the important factors that every occupational therapists must evaluate when they meet visually impaired clients.

T28 11:00-11:30 Acadia A

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

The child participation, performance skills and environmental restriction questionnaires

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Enhancing a child's participation is the main goal of occupa-

tional therapy intervention. The purpose of this study was to develop assessment tools to measure a child's participation, his/her performance skills and the environmental factors that may restrict his/her participation. The psychometric properties and clinical contribution of the questionnaires will be presented.

T29 11:00-11:30 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Exploring the development of client-centred knowledge, skills, and attitudes

Jacquie Ripat (University of Manitoba, Winnipeg) Pamela Wener, Kendra Dobinson ripatj@cc.umanitoba.ca

This presentation shares the results of a qualitative study with entry-level occupational therapy students and new graduates that explored the influences on, and process of, their client-centred development. Results of this study will provide information to key stakeholders to further foster the development of client-centredness in students and practitioners.

T30 11:00-11:30 Acadia C

Paper- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Take care: A workshop for caregivers based on self-management principles

Susan Doble (Dalhousie University, Halifax)

Susan Hutchinson, Grace Warner, Sharon Reashore, Nila Ipson susan.doble@dal.ca

The development and evaluation of a peer-led workshop designed to provide caregivers with tools to support family members' efforts to self-manage chronic conditions, while also ensuring they continue to address their own occupational needs will be described. Pilot test results from four workshop sessions will also be presented.

T31 11:00-11:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 6

Poster- Research, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community

Designing vehicles for the future: Consideration for an aging population

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With the population aging, vehicle features that keep older drivers and passengers as safe as possible are identified.

The presentation's highlights are based on available evidence and key aspects of vehicle design using a vehicle model (Toyota Venza) that exemplifies these features.

T32 11:00-11:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 26

Poster- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration Health Policy

Addressing accessibility: Barriers to change on a university campus

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This poster presents the results from a project that ex-

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plored the barriers to implementing accessibility recommendations within the academic environment. Themes were identified from semi-structured interviews with key stakeholders. Results highlight the specific barriers that need to be addressed in order for positive change to occur.

T33 13:00-14:00 Halifax A

Canadian Occupational Therapy Foundation Sponsored Session

Practitioner/Academic Research Partnerships: Good for you, essential for the profession.

Jacquie Ripat, Marlene Stern, Donna Collins, Pamela Wener

This session will raise the issue of partnership including its strengths and difficulties. Once attendees have an idea of the issue, i.e. partnership between practitioners and academics, there will be an interactive portion that explores partnerships specifically related to research in occupational therapy. The session will be facilitated by Jacquie Ripat, Marlene Stern, Donna Collins and Pam Wener.

T34 13:00-14:00 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

The world as a classroom

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A panel of Canadian university graduates will discuss their experiences in international community development placements, followed by small group discussions on what Canadian occupational therapists can learn from the participatory approaches used that might impact their practice.

T35 13:00-13:30 Acadia A

Paper- Practice, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community Clinical reasoning underlying community occupational therapists' choice of teaching strategies

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Clinical reasoning determines teaching strategies used by community occupational therapists to improve transfer skills of older adults. This grounded theory study provides a better understanding of clinical reasoning underlying the choice of teaching strategies. Choice is influenced by internal (past experience, habits and preferences) and external factors (client's characteristics, practice context).

T36 13:00-13:30 Acadia B

Paper- Professional Issues, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution

Informed consent and capacity in a paediatric mental health facility

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Ontario provincial law stipulates that as long as a child has the capacity to consent to a service the child's consent is required. The process of designing and implementing a policy on informed consent at a paediatric tertiary-care mental health facility will be discussed.

T37 13:00-13:30 Acadia C

Paper- Research, Non Specific to Client Group /Theory Examination of the meaning of "meaningful occupation" through occupational biographies

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Occupational therapy literature provides fragmented explanations of the term "meaningful occupation". The occupational biographies of nine older adults were explored for their experiences of meaningful occupation. Many occupations appeared meaningful, particularly if they included emotional associations, social responsibility/recognition, and opportunity for self expression. Habitual performance was also reciprocally linked with meaning.

SYMPOSIUM

T38 13:00-14:00 SYMPOSIUM Halifax C

Symposium- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community Is activity level key to reducing fatigue in chronic conditions?

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While the literature reports contradictory results on how activity level and fatigue are correlated, it is hard to guide people with different levels of activity to manage their fatigue. This study showed that regardless of activity level, improvement in stress and self-efficacy were the predictors of improvement in fatigue.

Symposium- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community Impact of teleconference delivered fatigue management education on occupational well-being

Marcia Finlayson (University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, USA) Susan Doble, Katharine Preissner marciaf@uic.edu

Occupational well-being was examined as a secondary outcome in a randomized control trial examining the effectiveness and efficacy of a teleconference delivered, fatigue management program for people with multiple sclerosis. Using the Occupational Well-Being Questionnaire, preliminary analysis indicated significant improvement immediately after the intervention, which was maintained at 6 weeks follow-up.

Symposium- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community Fatigue and occupational engagement in mothers with and without arthritis

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Rarely have studies compared fatigue ratings in clinical and general populations. This study of 342 women demonstrates that mothers with arthritis experience considerably more fatigue than mothers without arthritis. Fatigue further limits engagement in everyday activities, including parenting tasks and household work.

T39 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 5
Poster- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Enabling occupation by addressing social determinants of health

Lisa Klinger (The University of Western Ontario, London)
Mary Beth Bezzina, Carole Orchard, Luljeta Pallaveshi,
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Occupational therapy student involvement in interprofessional health promotional projects at two primary health clinics serving underprivileged clients resulted in students championing occupational justice and learning that social determinants of health affect engagement in occupation. Clients gained health resource knowledge and began engaging in occupations that improved social and mental well-being.

T40 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 15
Poster- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Kama Sutra post hip surgery: Sexual activity and positioning

Brenda Ashe (The Ottawa Hospital, Ottawa) Natalie Cleroux, Tara Hodgdon bashe@ottawahospital.on.ca
This poster session reviews best practice guidelines developed by occupational therapists on an acute orthopaedic surgery service to enable clients' return to sexual activity post hip surgery. The guidelines are supported by surgeon opinion surveys, client feedback and literature review.

T41 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Board 30
Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Computer mouse use in augmentative communication for young children
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This study investigates the influence of design factors (i.e., target size, angle of approach) and developmental level on the ability of typically developing young children to access electronic augmentative communication systems with a computer mouse. Results support the formation of developmentally appropriate guidelines for designing computing interfaces for young children.

T42 13:30-14:00 Acadia A
Paper- Practice, Older Adult General / Theory
Caring and the therapeutic relationship: Client-centred practice with older adults

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Caring within the therapeutic relationship is consistent with notions of client-centred practice. Since older adults' views of a meaningful life may transcend illness, what is needed to promote caring therapeutic relationships with older adults must be considered in the context of successful aging.

T43 13:30-14:00 Acadia B
Paper- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community
The therapist's dilemma: When family-centred conflicts with client-centred care

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Occupational therapy practice is client-centred. Some practice models extend the definition of 'client' to include the family. Ethical conflicts arise when there is variance between client-centred and family-centered approaches. This presentation will review models of care and discuss clinically identified ethical issues using a case study and an ethical framework.

T44 13:30-14:00 Acadia C
Paper- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Theory
Clarifying occupational engagement: A first step in measurement development

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Occupational engagement has taken on a central role in occupational therapy. However, it is a broad construct, which has been poorly defined and specified. This study uncovered occupational therapists' perceptions and clinical experiences of occupational engagement. Therapists shared some key common understandings of occupational engagement which need addressing in measurement.

T45 13:30-14:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 3
Poster- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Theory
Social inequality shaping occupations: Lessons from other fields

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The influences of social inequalities such as racism, sexism, heterosexism, and classism have been underexamined within occupational therapy. Applying an occupational lens in a systematic analysis of literature outside of occupational therapy reveals tremendous insights into how such power relations

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may shape occupational choice, participation, engagement, meaning and identity.

T46 13:30-14:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 18

Poster- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community
House modification process: Satisfaction of persons with spinal cord lesion

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This poster explores perceptions of 27 persons with spinal cord lesions concerning home modifications made to meet their needs. The content analysis of individual interviews revealed that respondents appreciate the ease of access to spaces and amenities and occupational therapist's involvement in the process of house adaptation.

T47 13:30-14:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 27

Poster- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Institution

Navigating to electronic documentation: A safe harbour

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 Margaret Burns, Kelly Brewer

The poster explores the process and lessons learned from implementing an electronic point of care documentation system in a rehabilitation setting, with goals of clarity, consistency and transparency in clinical documentation. This journey leads us away from the inconsistencies of open-ended narratives and brings us toward collaborative and effective client care.

T48 14:00-15:00 Halifax A

Extended discussion- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Community

Enabling social change in everyday practice

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Occupational Therapists' narratives will be used to describe the creation of social change at community, organization, and population levels. Participants will identify opportunities to effect social change in their everyday practice.

T49 14:00-15:00 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Other Relevant to both practice and professional issues

Social media possibilities: Occupational therapists make it meaningful

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Social media use such as Twitter, My Space, Facebook and Blogs are daily occupations for occupational therapists, clients and consumers. Learn about them and practice their use. Discuss implications for occupational therapy and occupational therapists. Make it possible that social media occupations are meaningful in occupational therapy practice.

T50 14:00-14:30 Halifax C

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community
Evidence and experience: Perspectives of practitioners with a sensory lens

Julia Rice (University of Toronto, Toronto) Jane Davis, Helene Polatajko

Interest has intensified in how occupational therapists view their practice in this era of evidence. Using sensory-based approaches as a heuristic method, this interpretivist study explored the practice perspectives of paediatric occupational therapists who use a sensory lens. Four themes emerged illustrating the ways in which therapists manage their practice.

T51 14:00-14:30 Acadia A

Paper- Professional Issues(or Research), Non Specific to Client Group /Theory

Professional distance as an element of therapeutic use of self

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Based on health care literature and in-depth interviews with experienced occupational therapists, this presentation aims to define the concept of "professional distance" as it applies to occupational therapy, explain its consequences on the therapeutic process, discuss the factors that influence its establishment and identify strategies to modulate it.

T52 14:00-14:30 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Institution
Enabling workplace health through participatory ergonomics: A role for occupational therapy

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Occupational therapists offer unique expertise to the ergonomics field. As companies strive to maintain healthy workforces and decrease healthcare costs, occupational therapists have become involved with the development and implementation of workplace health promotion and injury prevention education. Participatory ergonomics is one worker-centred approach through which these programs have evolved.

T53 14:00-14:30 Acadia C

Paper- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community
Effectiveness of an online fatigue self-management program: An Randomized Control Trial

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This paper presents results of a randomized control trial testing effectiveness of an online, group fatigue self-management program for people with multiple sclerosis. The online program will be briefly described. Preliminary results show that the online and face-to-face programs are comparable with significantly better outcomes than the control group.

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Poster- Research - Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Institution

Discovering the meaning of art for teens with acquired disabilities

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This research looks to explore the meaning of "doing" art for teens with an acquired disability. Using a modified phenomenological design, this study piloted unique interview methods by presenting participants with video clips of themselves making art. This research looks to expand occupational science knowledge regarding teens' experience in art occupations.

T55 14:00-14:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 14

Poster- Research, Older Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Assessing the home environment: Validating a self-report questionnaire

Colleen Kilroy (Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Toronto) Linda Woodhouse, Deborah Kennedy, Cecilia Nguyen, Patricia Dickson, Sheila Ritcey, Betty Rivington-Law, Paul Stratford

The "Home Environment and Supports Questionnaire" (HESQ) was developed to assess the home and support systems of clients undergoing hip or knee replacement. Client accuracy in completing the HESQ was compared to the findings of a community therapist completing a parallel questionnaire during a preoperative home visit.

T56 14:00-14:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 25

Poster- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Cultivating Reflective Practitioners—a shared responsibility

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Mentoring student groups to develop reflective practice requires unique skills, resources and creativity. Experienced clinicians and educators from various settings provide strategies and offer a "Mentor's Toolkit" for mentoring groups. Successful group mentoring that models and encourages effective reflective practice among students can help to bridge fieldwork and academic experiences.

T57 14:30-15:00 Halifax C

Paper- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Theory
Scholarly practitioner: Is changing habits the hidden challenge?

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Today's clinicians are expected to follow best practice guidelines and be lifelong scholars. The purpose is to reflect on the concept of habit as an under-explored, but critically important factor that might help explain the lack of uptake of new, scientifically sound practices by clinicians.

T58 14:30-15:00 Acadia A

Paper- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration Health Policy

Work-related injuries in occupational therapy practice—causes, prevalence and impact

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There are no extant studies of work-related injuries experienced by occupational therapists across practice contexts. This Canadian study identified the nature and prevalence of these injuries, the impact of practice context, factors that influence how occupational therapists respond to injuries, and strategies used to manage return to work after injury.

T59 14:30-15:00 Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Institution

The power of occupational engagement: Norm's story

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The Canadian Model of Occupational Performance and Engagement (CMOP-E) guides clinicians to consider how occupational engagement leads to meaningful client outcomes. Norm's story, in the context of inpatient rehabilitation, is used to illustrate how occupational therapists can enable engagement, by going beyond performance in their assessment and goal identification.

T60 14:30-15:00 Acadia C

Paper- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Therapy online: Support for caregivers of survivors of brain injury

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This qualitative study explored web-based videoconferencing support groups for caregivers of survivors of brain injury. Therapeutic factors found in face-to-face support groups emerged within the online groups, indicating that it was an effective way to provide accessible therapy.

T61 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 8

Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

The influence of environment on participation of children with disabilities

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Children's level of participation is influenced by environmental factors. The aim of this study is to examine the different environmental factors that may influence participation of children with physical versus cognitive disabilities. Understanding these differences will help occupational therapists develop strategies to promote participation of children with different disabilities.

T62 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 17

Poster- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Institution

The Pathway Home

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An illustrated discharge pathway guides occupational therapists in discharge decision making with clients returning to remote communities after receiving treatment in a large urban centre. Steps in the discharge pathway further inform therapists of the culture, community, and health care environment that the client will be returning to.

T63 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 29

Poster- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Developing an evidence-based therapeutic surface selection tool

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Pressure ulcer management guidelines recommend providing a therapeutic support surface to manage pressure when the client is lying in bed, but provides little guidance as to which surface is best for a specific client population. A new, evidence based, client centred, non-manufacturer specific algorithm to address this issues is presented.

T64 15:30-17:00 Acadia A

Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy Regulatory Organizations (ACOTRO) Sponsored Session - Evaluating Your Practice. Are You Prepared?

ACOTRO will introduce the NEW Essential Competencies of Practice for Occupational Therapists in Canada, third edition. A facilitated panel will discuss the changes to the Essential Competencies for Practice and how it can guide practice for occupational therapists in Canada. Learn about work being done to develop the essential competencies for non-clinical roles.

T65 15:30-16:30 Acadia A

Extended discussion- Professional Issues, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community

Occupational therapists enabling people with dementia to live safely

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The goal of this session is to assess the needs and challenges occupational therapists experience when working with people with dementia. Ultimately, training tools will be developed to build the skills of occupational therapists and enable

them to support people with dementia living safely and maintaining a balance between safety and independence.

SYMPOSIUM

T66 15:30-17:00 SYMPOSIUM

Halifax C

Symposium- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Strategies to move evidence-based knowledge into rehabilitation practice

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This session will highlight which single/multi-component knowledge translation interventions are effective for improving knowledge, attitudes, and practice behaviors of occupational therapists and physical therapists. The goal of enhancing knowledge and practice behaviors is to ultimately increase clinicians' use of best practices and empower the next generation of "critical thinkers" in rehabilitation.

Symposium- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Community

Exploring preferences for research evidence in community-based therapists

Grace Warner (Dalhousie University, Halifax) Jennifer Easterly-Krasowski, Lindsay Lovely, Deanna Slaney, Alice Anand, Holly Wilson

Information is needed on what research evidence home-based therapists want. Methods: Focus group and online survey. Research areas: client/family education, interventions in rural and community settings, safety, and advantages of home-based versus hospital-based care. Conclusions: This could inform the synthesis and dissemination of research for community-based therapists.

Symposium- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Knowledge translation: Increasing access to research findings through Cafés

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Science cafés are promoted as an additional mode of knowledge translation, providing an informal venue for disseminating research findings. Lessons learned from a series of six cafés focus on the interactive discussion among researchers, practitioners and the public, specific to research on the relationship between meaningful occupation and health.

Symposium- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Developing evidence-based clinical reasoning skills through reflective learning

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This paper explores, with a small group of occupational therapists, how reflective learning could help them develop their evidence-based clinical reasoning skills. A collaborative research strategy was used. Results led to the development of the Model of Research Utilization Grounded in Critical Reflection.

SYMPOSIUM

T67 15:30-16:30 SYMPOSIUM

Halifax B

Symposium- OtherTheory-Practice Link, Non Specific to Client Group /Theory

Strengthening "community" in our models and our practice

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Community development literature outlining key principles was reviewed in relation to examples of occupational therapists engaging in community development and two Canadian occupational therapy models. Commonalities in principles and approach were identified, as were inconsistencies. Suggestions to strengthen the link between occupational therapy theory and community development will be proposed.

Symposium- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Theory

Occupational community development: Navigating between health and community

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A qualitative collective case study was conducted in which three diverse occupational therapy community development programs were explored. Occupational therapists were seen to be in unique positions that allowed them to bridge health and community services. They accomplished this bridging through five key processes, which are described.

Symposium- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Challenges for community assessment and development in cross-cultural occupational therapy

Megan Rocquin (University of Ottawa, Ottawa)
Rachel Thibeault
This paper presents and compares two sets of tools for community assessment and mobilization that rely on occupation and are applicable cross-culturally: the Training for Transformation format, created in South Africa, and the Social Analysis System (SAS-2) designed in Canada.

T68 15:30-16:00

Acadia B

Paper- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community

Understanding client process and outcomes: Person-occupation-environment as a chaotic system

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Increasing amounts of theoretical literature within occupational therapy have been looking at humans as chaotic systems. However, limited studies address the fit of this application. This study explored changes within the Person-Occupation-Environment system for clients having undergone hip replacements to determine whether these changes followed tenants of chaos theory.

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T69 15:30-16:00

Acadia C

Paper- Consumer presentation

A helping hand from the lifeboat: Partnering with an occupational therapist

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This presentation tells the story of a unique three-way partnership between me, (a consumer) and my occupational therapy adviser and his occupational therapy student to develop and administer a spirituality survey at a psychiatric clinic. This began a journey for me which took me from being stuck in a rut, doing very little, after 13 years dealing with mental illness to envisioning myself completing a Master's program in Psychology at age 55. The key message for session attendees is that it is possible and perhaps even desirable to include consumers in all steps of planning programs and doing research. This presentation will benefit occupation therapists by offering them an opportunity to learn of the personal impact of being included in such a way from a consumer of occupational therapy services. It will highlight what worked well and what could have been done differently.

T70 15:30-16:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 11

Poster- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Developmental assessments for young children: Selecting appropriate tools

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A systematic review of measures of global development was conducted to compare their attributes, strengths and weaknesses. Information for each tool includes its purpose, domains, administration and scoring, and psychometric properties. Their relative use for different goals, children of varying ages and conditions, and for various purposes is discussed.

T71 15:30-16:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 28

Poster- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution

Characterizing occupational therapy practice in an inpatient stroke rehabilitation program

Rachel Devitt (Providence Healthcare, Toronto)
Joyce Fetros, Syra Porter, Jessica Casey, Sapna Ramanan
A mixed methods approach was utilized to explore whether

occupational therapy practice could be classified as top-down or bottom-up in an inpatient stroke rehabilitation program. Findings suggested that a majority of occupational therapists employed bottom-up approaches during assessment but utilized a top-down approach when setting goals and implementing treatment.

T72 16:00-16:30 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community
Cognitive orientation to occupational performance: Application to adults with schizophrenia

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 This pilot study investigates the applicability of the Cognitive Orientation to Occupational Performance (CO-OP) approach for remediating everyday task performance difficulties that arise from executive dysfunction among adults with schizophrenia. A single-case experimental design was used with one community-dwelling adult with schizophrenia and his/her self-identified facilitator within the community environment.

T73 16:00-16:30 Acadia C

Paper- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Theory
Using the qualitative meta-synthesis approach to inform occupational therapy practice

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Findings from qualitative research can provide deep understandings of concepts that are important to occupational therapists. This presentation will present the qualitative meta-synthesis approach and outline how this approach can be used to integrate findings from across qualitative studies in order to advance knowledge and inform practice.

T74 16:00-16:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 16

Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent Health / Clinical-Community
Handwriting interventions for school-aged children: A systematic review

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We carried out a systematic review of the effectiveness of non-pharmacological handwriting interventions. Ten trials met the inclusion criteria. Interventions that did not include a practice component were ineffective. Interventions that included a practice component tended to be effective when offered more frequently and over a longer period of time.

T75 16:00-16:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 31

Poster- Practice, Adult General
Development of the Self-efficacy Scale for performing life activities post-stroke

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Measuring self-efficacy to accomplish activities and participation post-stroke in occupational therapy is essential. It is needed to address those tasks that individuals are capable of accomplishing, but lack personal confidence in their abilities to do so. The development of the Self-efficacy Scale for Performing Life Activities Post-stroke will be presented.

T76 16:30-17:30 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Institution

Quality of life measurement in occupational therapy: Validating what you do

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Quality of life (QOL) questionnaires are important because they have potential to capture the impact of therapy on clients' daily lives. This session will introduce definitions of QOL compatible with occupational therapy values such as client-centredness, participation and the environment and provide therapists with skills for selecting related questionnaires.

T77 16:30-17:00 Halifax A

Paper- Research, Older Adult General / Clinical-Institution

The relationship between driving and occupational performance in older adults

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Occupational therapists have the skills necessary to address driving as they would any other occupation in daily clinical practice. This presentation will provide an overview of the relationship between driving and occupational performance, and the factors that influence this relationship to allow therapists to screen older adults in clinical practice.

T78 16:30-17:00 Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Canadian occupational therapists' practices when managing cognitive impairment post-stroke

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This paper examines cognitive problem identification, assessment and treatment among Canadian occupational therapists working in stroke rehabilitation. Less than 33% of clinicians were classified as providing best practice cognitive management, suggesting a gap between best and actual practice that warrants assertive knowledge translation efforts.

T79 16:30-17:00 Acadia C

Paper- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Institution

An outcome evaluation framework for assistive technology

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A new framework was developed to assist occupational therapists select appropriate measures to evaluate outcomes of assistive technology interventions. It is based on the International Classification of Functioning Disability and Health, the Person-Environment-Occupation Model and a client-centred perspective. We will illustrate how it can be used to evaluate outcomes that are meaningful to clients and their families.

T80 16:30-17:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 10

Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent Health / Clinical-Community

Focus on function: A randomized trial for children with cerebral palsy

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A clinical trial of context-focused versus child-focused approaches in improving movement, self-care, and participation for 128 children with cerebral palsy, 1 - 5 years, was conducted with 72 occupational therapists or physiotherapists. Children in both intervention groups demonstrated statistically significant improvements across all outcomes during the six month intervention period.

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Poster- Research, Older Adult General / Theory

Conceptualization of social participation: A scoping literature review

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This study reviewed theoretical and empirical literature from various fields on social participation among older adults and analyzed current definitions with the aim of proposing an integrative classification. Content analysis showed that social participation definitions (n=44) mostly focused on the person's involvement in activities providing interactions with others in the community or society.

T82 17:00-17:30 Halifax C

Paper- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Mentoring for occupational therapists in the third party payer system

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This presentation will provide an overview of the concept of mentoring, will report on the results of interviews conducted with occupational therapists in the third party

payer system and will demonstrate use of the Person-Environment-Occupation Model (Law et al., 1996) as a potential framework to evaluate mentor relationships.

T83 17:00-17:30

Halifax C

Paper- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community
Factors contributing to employment success for blind or visually impaired adults

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Many people with vision loss are successfully employed despite low employment rates. We wanted to learn more about factors contributing to receiving a job interview or offer. Methods included literature review and focus groups to develop lists of factors, and a survey to successfully employed people.

T84 17:00-17:30

Acadia B

Paper- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community

Valued occupation among stroke survivors:

A cohort study

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We present the design and preliminary results of a cohort study of personally-valued occupation and health at 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months post stroke. We discuss unique features of the methodology and highlight the range of personally-valued occupations and empirical associations between occupation and physical and emotional health.

T85 17:00-17:30

Acadia C

Paper- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration
Health Policy

Questionnaire de satisfaction des clients envers les services interprofessionnels

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Les ergothérapeutes travaillent souvent en équipe interprofessionnelle. La mesure de la satisfaction des clients envers les services interprofessionnels est nécessaire afin d'évaluer la qualité des programmes offerts. Un nouveau questionnaire de satisfaction envers ces types de soins sera présenté, ainsi que les résultats d'études de ses qualités métrologiques.

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NS Ballroom Foyer Board 1

Poster- Education, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Education

The efficacy of sex education for children with physical disabilities

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Due to the controversial and uncomfortable topic of sexuality and disability, children with disabilities are rarely provided the same opportunities as their able-bodied peers to explore their

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sexuality. A structured critical review will be used to identify effective strategies pertaining to sex education that may be useful for occupational therapists.

T87 17:00-17:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 9

Poster- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Comprehensive fatigue assessment battery for persons with traumatic brain injury

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Fatigue is prevalent among people living with traumatic brain injury (TBI). Factors contributing to fatigue were identified and a Comprehensive Fatigue Assessment Battery for TBI (CFAB-TBI) was developed and tested for content validation, clinical utility, internal consistency and test-retest reliability. The practical tool will guide treatment direction and clinical reasoning.

T89 17:00-17:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 22

Poster- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Achieving evidence-based practice: A case example

Erin Fonseca (Rose and Max Rady Jewish Community Centre, Winnipeg) Pamela Wener, Sandy Sheegl

Despite availability of transitional living programs for young adults with disabilities, few programs are evidence-based. This presentation will describe the process used to incorporate evidence into a transitional living program to optimize participant outcomes and ensure quality of care, thus demonstrat-

ing occupational therapists' role in achieving evidence-based practice.

T90 17:00-17:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 32

Poster- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution

Enabling occupation through virtual rehabilitation technology: Possibilities in mental health

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This poster illustrates the possibilities for enabling occupation with clients in a mental health facility through virtual rehabilitation technology. Client outcomes will be described and shown through photographs, case studies and graphic data. Implications for future use of virtual technology in mental health practice will be explored.

T91 17:00-17:30 Halifax A

Paper- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Traumatic brain injury: Gender differences and long term symptoms

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Research regarding gender differences in health post traumatic brain injury is minimal. In examining gender differences in a cohort of 306 individuals, significant variations for activity, participation, and quality of life was found. These findings directly impact the development of inpatient and community rehabilitation programs.

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Professional Issue Forum

The Development of a Definition of Advanced Practice in Occupational Therapy in Canada

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Through facilitated small group discussion CAOT members will have the opportunity to provide feedback and contribute to the process of confirming a definition and explore career opportunities, educational requirements and potential barriers associated with advanced practice in occupational therapy in Canada. Member participation is critical for the refinement of this definition which in turn will assist in CAOT's pursuit to advance excellence and leadership in occupational therapy.

F2 8:30-9:30 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Visual perception in children... what do our measures really tell us?

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The literature on the visual processing abilities of children with motor deficits will be synthesized and presented within the framework of Milner and Goodale's model of visual processing (2006). A shared reflective process will be facilitated to address the understanding that can be gleaned from the assessment of visual perception.

CONSUMER

F3 8:30-9:00 Halifax C

Paper- Consumer presentation,
Veterans Affairs Canada Rehabilitation Program and Canada's Occupational Therapists

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Participants will learn about the new Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC), Rehabilitation Program, and current research around the reintegration of Canadian Forces Veterans into

civilian life. They will have an opportunity to discuss possible roles for occupational therapists in this and other VAC programs.

F4 8:30-9:00 Acadia A

Paper- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Institution

The re-alignment of occupational therapy structure to strengthen professional practice

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Maintaining strong occupational therapy professional practice within program management is not without its challenges. A re-alignment of occupational therapy structure within a multi campus hospital was undertaken to enhance service delivery and strengthen professional practice. Development of a modern and tailored occupational therapy organisational structure involves partnership with key stakeholders.

F5 8:30-9:00 Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Adult General

Self-efficacy as an engine for meaningful new challenges

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Individuals' personal belief in their capabilities to accomplish a given task (self-efficacy) can be compromised due to a major neurological condition. An overview of self-efficacy in relation to functional performance will be provided along with a discussion of occupational therapists' role in addressing a person's self-efficacy in rehabilitation.

F6 8:30-9:00 Acadia C

Paper- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community

A pressure management and mobility program versus bed rest

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The complications of bed rest have been well studied, but alternatives such as a pressure management and mobility program have less evidence. This lack of evidence has made the theoretical concept of limiting bed rest difficult to implement. Preliminary results of a pilot study to compare these interventions are presented.

F7 8:30-9:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 2

Poster- Education, Adult General / Education
Development of an expert model of evidence based practice

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This study reports on the process of generating an occupational therapy expert model of evidence-based practice and the resulting blueprint in the area of falls prevention. The model can be used in professional education for teaching the expert evidence-based practice actions taken to arrive at a clinical decision.

F8 8:30-9:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 11

Poster- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community
An assessment protocol for recommending technical aids for driving

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There are no clinical guidelines to assist occupational therapists when they are assessing the needs for technical aids for driving. This presentation will focus on the development of an assessment protocol to help occupational therapists in their decision making process while assessing the need for technical aids for driving.

F9 8:30-9:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 21

Poster- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Evidence-based guide to determine swallowing assessment readiness for tracheostomised patients

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Occupational therapists in acute-care are consulted for swallowing evaluation of patients with a tracheotomy. Following a comprehensive literature review and analysis, an evidence-based guide is developed to assist referring medical professionals in determining readiness for swallowing assessment of patients with a tracheostomy.

F10 9:00-9:30 Halifax C

Paper- Research, Older Adult Health / Clinical-Community
Efficacy of a user-caregiver assistive technology intervention: Preliminary results

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By determining the efficacy of a formalized approach to assistive technology (AT) provision that is inclusive of users and their caregivers, our data will provide a broader understanding of the impact of AT that has policy and practice implications. This research was funded by NIDRR (www.atoutcomes.org).

F11 9:00-9:30 Acadia A

Paper- Professional Issues, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Enabling professional development during climates of change

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The turnover of staff in a hospital environment poses challenges to practice development. Several initiatives are presented that were enacted to ensure that new staff are mentored quickly to an expected level of practice and then provided with opportunities for practice development that are a supported part of their work.

F12 9:00-9:30 Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Adult General / Education
Chronic disease self management program for spinal cord injury, Stroke and multiple sclerosis

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Cost, treatment and prevalence of chronic conditions makes chronic conditions a major health issue. By exploring the experience of participants in the Chronic Disease Self Management program who have spinal cord injury, stroke or multiple sclerosis suggestions for the optimal way to present the program to people with neurological conditions is provided.

F13 9:00-9:30 Acadia C

Paper- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Community
Innovations in community health: Oceans of possibility for interprofessional care

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Interprofessional education is an important part of education for health science students. A student-run primary health clinic for inner city residents was developed to meet this need. Occupational therapy mentorship is crucial to provide an interprofessional perspective when no formal link to occupational therapy students is present.

F14 9:00-9:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 7

Poster- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Institution
“Getting Started Services”: An innovative model for early access to pediatric services

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Occupational therapists working with children play an important role in providing services for children and their families. As demand rises, waiting lists for developmental assessment have increased significantly. This poster illustrates a multidisciplinary pre-diagnostic service delivery model developed by a pediatric rehabilitation facility to address wait list concerns.

F15 9:00-9:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 13

Poster- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Institution

Development of a simulated driving assessment

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Occupational therapists are instrumental in evaluating driving performance, creating a need for continual development and enhancement of assessment tools. The purpose of this pilot study is to initiate collection and validation of normative data for the newly developed simulated driving assessment for the S3100 Interactive Modular Driving Simulator.

F16 9:00 -9:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 23

Poster- Professional Issues, Adult General / Administration Health Policy

Le choix d'équipements au bain par du personnel auxiliaire québécois

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L'enquête indique que le recours à du personnel auxiliaire pour la détermination du besoin d'équipements au bain est une pratique courante dans les centres de santé et de services sociaux du Québec. Toutefois, il n'existe pas de consensus sur la formation et outils de travail utilisés par ce personnel.

F17 10:00-11:00 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Professional Issues, Older Adult General / Clinical-Institution

Collaborative peer group supervision - A model for occupational therapists

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Occupational therapists often work together to meet their professional support needs. A group peer supervision model implemented in a large health care centre offers an efficient and effective approach to support practice. Participants will learn about and experience this model and share reflections and experiences from their own practices.

F18 10:00-10:30 Halifax C

Paper- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration Health Policy

Occupational therapists' perception of a regulatory body peer-review system

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A study was done to evaluate the quality of a regulatory body's peer-review system, as perceived by occupational therapists. This innovative study will provide data on the characteristics required from a peer-review system to induce practice changes, from the occupational therapists' point of view.

F19 10:00-10:30 Acadia A

Paper- Practice, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc /Theory

The Superman Theory - How doing magic transforms children with disabilities

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Our study explored the influence of learning and performing magic on the occupational identity of children with physical disabilities. Our findings support the view that meaningful occupation is central to the construction of identity and the resulting Superman Theory provides a metaphor for the concept of transformation through occupation.

F20 10:00-10:30 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Exploring occupational disruption after the onset of rheumatoid arthritis

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This qualitative study explores the stories of 37 Canadian women in the first year after onset of rheumatoid arthritis. Understanding how rheumatoid arthritis disrupts daily activities reveals new possibilities enabling occupational therapists to support client engagement in meaningful occupations as they transition to living with a chronic illness.

F21 10:00-10:30 Acadia C

Paper- Education, Adult Health / Education

All hands on deck ... developing meaningful interprofessional educational experiences

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Educational experiences should inspire students in the health professions to be practice leaders who can think autonomously within their respective discipline as well as excel in interprofessional competencies. The evolution of an interdisciplinary simulated client encounter offers a meaningful opportunity for students to develop discipline-specific and interprofessional skills.

F23 10:00-10:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 19

Poster- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Informing best practices for assessing fitness to drive across Canada

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Determining medical fitness to drive is a complex issue. Using a series of case studies and survey results direct from clinicians in the field, this presentation provides an overview of factors that inform clinical decision-making when a client's fitness to drive is questioned. Online resources to support practice are discussed.

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Session F24-F30

F24 10:00-10:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 24

Poster- OtherWorkplace Policies, Adult Psych/Soc / Administration Health Policy

Working in mental health while living with a mental health problem

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Individuals with lived experience of a mental health problem are increasingly gaining paid employment in the mental health field. This research study explores the organizational factors that promote successful work experiences for employees with lived experience working at a large urban mental health agency.

F25 10:30-11:00 Acadia A

Paper- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration Health Policy

Regulatory responsiveness: Charting a course to quality occupational therapy

Patricia Edney (Alberta College of Occupational Therapists, Edmonton) pat.edney@acot.ca

Within an ocean of potential initiatives, the Alberta College of Occupational Therapists embarked on a journey of regulatory responsiveness. The College gathered, analyzed and strategically responded to data from 645 occupational therapists. This presentation will highlight the multifaceted course charted by the College directed at improving public access to quality occupational therapy.

F26 10:30-11:00 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Dynamic performance analysis- an enabler for children with coordination difficulties

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Children diagnosed with developmental coordination disorder (DCD) have great difficulty performing many of the ordinary activities of childhood. This study investigated children with DCD's utility of dynamic performance analysis as a step to solving their motor-based performance issues and its response to cognitive-based intervention (CO-OP), process-based intervention, and task-specific training.

F27 10:30-11:00 Acadia C

Paper- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Exploring possibilities for the integration of occupational therapy support personnel

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To further explore and clarify the practice of support personnel working with occupational therapists in clinical settings, this session will use the Support Personnel Practice Profile, case studies, and clinical stories to encourage the

audience to share their experiences and discuss strategies to integrate support personnel in service delivery.

SYMPOSIUM

F28 10:30-11:30 SYMPOSIUM Halifax C

Symposium- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community
Engaging in spirituality dialogue with clients living with schizophrenia

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A qualitative study was designed to explore the meaning of spirituality for people with schizophrenia. Eleven participants engaged in a three-phase data-collection process. Data were analyzed using a phenomenological method. Findings show that participants desire therapists to validate their experience of spirituality as part of facilitating engagement in meaningful occupation.

Symposium- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Meaning, occupation and identity: Strategies for working with spiritual content

Rachel Thibeault (University of Ottawa, Ottawa)

To help address spiritual issues at the centre of the Canadian Model of Occupational Performance in practice settings or in classrooms, this paper reports strategies for facilitating the expression of deeply meaningful content through occupation and offers general guidelines for use with clients, students or oneself.

F29 10:30-11:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 4

Poster- Research, Non Specific to Client Group /Clinical-Institution
Occupational therapists' experiences in primary health care: New avenues

Amanda Brown (Dalhousie University, Halifax)

Jolene Coffin, Kristen Sparks, Jocelyn Brown
Research into lived experiences of occupational therapists working in primary health care is lacking. This qualitative research study captures therapists' personal experiences in this emerging practice area. Results provide insight into these experiences and help to implement and support new roles for occupational therapists in "renewed" primary health care settings.

F30 10:30-11:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 15

Poster- Research, Older Adult General / Administration Health Policy

The environment and maintaining family relationships within dementia care facilities

Susan Jurczak (CapitalCare, Edmonton)

This poster explores the role the physical and social environment plays in allowing individuals who live in dementia care assisted living and their family members in maintaining valued relationships. Their experiences in participating in shared meaningful occupation within the context of the physical and social environment are described.

F31 10:30-11:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 26

Poster- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution
Effects of a psychiatric day hospital on three clinical groups

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This study compared clinical and social participation outcomes between individuals with psychotic, mood and anxiety and personality disorders treated in a day hospital (n=60). Although all groups made significant gains during their treatment and maintained these after discharge, those with mood and anxiety disorders particularly benefited from the day hospital.

F32 11:00-11:30 Halifax B

Paper- Professional Issues, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration Health Policy

Enabling system-level change: Facilitating occupational transitions in primary health care

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The experience of an occupational therapist as a Primary Healthcare Coordinator is used to illustrate the application of occupational therapy enablement core competencies to effect systems-level change. New models framing core competencies for enablement can be used by occupational therapists to effect social change.

F33 11:00-11:30 Acadia A

Paper- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Administration Health Policy

Listening to the college membership: Advancing mental health practice

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Responding to concerns about potential erosion of the occupational therapy role in mental health, the Alberta College of Occupational Therapists developed a plan to explore and strengthen occupational therapy's role in mental health. This presentation highlights the synergy between regulatory efforts and the appreciative inquiry work of a community of practice group.

F34 11:00-11:30 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent Health / Clinical-Community

Parent involvement with two interventions

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We examined whether parental involvement relates to skill acquisition in children with cerebral palsy receiving cognitive orientation to daily occupational performance (CO-OP) or contemporary treatment (CTA). Although both groups showed improved skill acquisition, a strong relationship

with parental involvement was only present for CTA. Future research should examine how parental involvement is impacted by CO-OP principles.

F35 11:00-11:30 Acadia C

Paper- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Community

Ergonomic interventions for injured office workers: Evidence from the literature

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Ergonomically designed computer equipment has become widely available and heavily marketed. Many occupational therapists prescribe such interventions but it is unclear what evidence exists to support their use. Attendees will learn what evidence exists to support the use of ergonomic interventions for office workers with various musculoskeletal disorders.

F36 11:00-11:30 NS Foyer Poster Board 6

Poster- Practice, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution

Evaluation of cognitive-behavioural therapy group for adolescents with anxiety disorders

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Using qualitative methods, adolescents with an anxiety disorder who participate in cognitive-behavioural group therapy can provide valuable insight into the strengths, weaknesses and overall value of the program. This presentation will discuss the study methods and the emergent themes and sub-themes as described by the adolescent participants.

F37 11:00-11:30 NS Foyer Poster Board 18

Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Relationship between the environment, participation, and obesity in children

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Participation in everyday activities is important for the development and well-being of children. This study investigates how the environment relates to participation and obesity rates of children with and without disabilities. This knowledge can be used to reduce environmental barriers, increasing child participation and reducing obesity rates.

F38 11:00-11:30 Nova Scotia Ballroom Foyer Poster Board 30

Poster- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community

I need help, my parents are aging!

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Session F39-F46

An increasing number of adult children provide care for their aging parents. Little is known about their experiences or needs at different points along the care continuum. This presentation discusses findings from a study that explores the evolving experiences and needs of adult children caring for their aging parents.

F39 13:00-15:00 Halifax A

CAOT Project Updates Session
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This project update will energize occupational therapists with strategic ideas for fostering leadership and enabling mentorship opportunities to develop and promote a client-centered approach to occupational therapy.

F40 13:00-14:00 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Otherhistory, Non Specific to Client Group /Theory
Telling occupational therapy stories of social change
Judith Friedland (University of Toronto, Toronto) Liz Townsend, Barry Trentham, Brenda Head judith.friedland@utoronto.ca
Panelists will provide historical examples of occupational therapists enabling social change, highlighting issues of gender, ethnicity and race, and the profession's medical and vocational foundations. Participants will tell their stories of enabling social change, and all will reflect on the issues and consider implications for advocacy within the current environment.

F41 13:00-13:30 Halifax C

Paper- Research, Older Adult Health /Theory
Productivity, self-care, leisure...and rest?
Laura Gibbs (The University of Western Ontario, London) Lisa Klinger
This presentation explores the experience of rest in women with osteoarthritis. A secondary analysis of a hermeneutic phenomenological study was conducted. The women find meaning in rest, and it is essential to their health. These findings suggest that rest is an occupation, and not just an adaptive strategy.

F42 13:00-13:30 Acadia A

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Education
The lived experience of Muslim families with children with disabilities
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This qualitative phenomenological study explores nine participants' experiences of being a Muslim caregiver for a child with a disability, living in the Peel Region of Ontario. Six major themes emerged from the data. Recommendations are made to both healthcare professionals and the community based on these results.

F43 13:00-13:30 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Adult General / Administration Health Policy
Coverage of women's occupational health in biomedical journals: A quantitative content analysis
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Women's work-related health has received less attention in mainstream health journals. Much of the research fails to examine the gendered assumptions and health risks that exist in women's lives. This exploratory study uses quantitative content analysis to examine the coverage of women's work-related health in leading medical journals from 1987-2007.

F44 13:00-13:30 Acadia C

Paper- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Increasing faculty awareness of the needs of students with disabilities
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This paper describes the barriers that are faced by faculty members at post secondary institutions when accommodating the needs of students with disabilities. The optimal methods of increasing faculty awareness of disability issues will be presented.

F45 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 3

Poster- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community
Occupational balance and health among mothers
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As a mother, maintaining a balanced lifestyle can be challenging, specifically when managing chronic illness. This study explored the relationship between health and occupational balance in 342 mothers with and without inflammatory arthritis. Understanding this relationship may help clinicians provide individualized client-centered therapy for those engaged in mothering occupations.

F46 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 12

poster- Research, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community
Participation in leisure activities of children born preterm: Systematic review
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This paper describes and compares participation in leisure activities of individuals born preterm from that of children born at term, and determines which factors influence leisure participation. School-age children and adolescents born preterm participated less frequently in leisure activities. The effect of various factors must be explored.

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Session F47-F54

F47 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 22

Poster- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution

Interpreting lab test values for occupational engagement
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Occupational therapists working in surgical and intensive care units in an acute care setting rely on the use of lab test values in decisions regarding client assessment, intervention and client potential for occupational engagement. Therapists use lab test values as a guide to establish caseload priorities in the acute care setting.

F48 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 27

Poster- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Developing hygiene practices for children with developmental delays

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The development of hygiene skills is a priority for adolescents with sensory, social or developmental challenges. Hygiene Heroes ©, a program based on an extensive literature review, will support learning of best practices in using social stories, visual schedules and chaining in functional hygiene skill development.

F49 13:30-14:00 Halifax C

Paper- Practice, Older Adult General / Clinical-Community

Assumptions about singleness: Older ever-single women

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With the number of older women living alone continuing to rise, a critical examination of the changing and contradictory assumptions made about older single women is relevant for therapists coming into contact with this group. Highlighted is the impact that social status can have on individual life-course.

F50 13:30-14:00 Acadia A

Paper- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Mothering a child with feeding difficulties: A phenomenological approach

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Caring for children with disabilities including those with feeding difficulties creates additional occupations that caregivers, frequently mothers, must incorporate into daily routines. This paper will present the results and conclusions of the qualitative portion of a mixed methods study investigating the lived experience of mothers of children with feeding difficulties.

F51 13:30-14:00

Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Institution

Veterans' perceptions of healthcare supports: A systematic review and meta-synthesis

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A qualitative meta-synthesis was used to capture and categorize veterans' perspectives of healthcare supports. Results of this review provide therapists with (1) factors veterans perceive as affecting their care and (2) suggestions of how to integrate the factors into practice. The review adds to the current scholarship of veteran-centred care.

F52 13:30-14:00

Acadia C

Paper- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Student perceptions of the need for prerequisites

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The evidence does not support the inclusion of prerequisites in the admission process; however, research has not considered the student experience. An electronic survey was used to identify occupational therapy student perceptions of the need for prerequisites. Just over half of the students recommended the inclusion of prerequisites.

F53 13:30-14:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 8

Poster- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Facilitating the engagement of homeless persons in meaningful occupations

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The purpose of this paper is to review the strategies used by occupational therapists to address occupational needs of homeless persons, including housing issues, mental health, substance abuse, and unemployment. Furthermore, the aim is to promote reflection about advocacy for occupational justice to foster occupational therapy practice.

F54 13:30-14:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 17

Poster- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Connecting forensic occupational therapists through an online community

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An international online networking group is used to share information about occupational therapy in forensic mental health. The thematic analysis examines trends in content, patterns of participation, and relevance to the international membership. Implications for building an international online community are discussed in relation to issues of equity and justice.

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Session F55-F61

F55 13:30-14:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 25

Poster- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Enhancing executive function in children through meaningful occupation

Mary-Ellen Kendall (Thames Valley Children's Centre, London) Maryellen.Kendall@tvcc.on.ca

This extended session will provide an overview of strategies and clinical rationale for the use of meaningful occupation to enhance executive function in children. The use of these strategies will be illustrated through application to case studies and a discussion of implementation with individual clients.

F56 13:30-14:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 29

Poster- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Institution

Strengthening acute care practice through the Canadian Practice Process Framework

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The Canadian Practice Process Framework was adopted by occupational therapists in an acute care facility in an effort to evolve from the traditional medical approach with its focus on impairment reduction through remedial activity to a client centered approach with its focus on enabling occupation.

F57 14:00-15:00 Halifax B

Extended discussion- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Toward recovery-oriented mental health care: Next steps for occupational therapists

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Occupational therapists have an "ocean of possibilities" as we explore new roles and facilitate recovery-oriented mental health services, but lack structure to pool our efforts. This session will explore current practice and provide a framework for ongoing collaboration.

F58 14:00-14:30 Halifax C

Paper- Other theory, Older Adult General / Theory
A conceptual model of neighbourhood effects on participation

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This presentation describes a conceptual model of the neighbourhood effects on participation among older adults with chronic diseases. The model draws upon occupational therapy and health models regarding participation and can inform research to help facilitate participation for older adults with chronic diseases.

F59 14:00-14:30

Acadia A

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Engagement in preferred occupations promotes well-being in adolescents with Cerebral Palsy

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This qualitative study emphasizes that adolescents with cerebral palsy perceive a good life quality as a relationship between personal interests and preferences, and opportunities to participate in age-appropriate occupations, especially leisure. Occupational therapists should consider the occupations that adolescents value most and identify potentially modifiable attributes that may guide interventions.

F60 14:00-14:30

Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Transition from jail to community for adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)

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A comprehensive assessment and occupation-based program for male Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder offenders is described using the Person-Environment-Occupation model. The presentation will also include an interactive exchange on the challenges of finding appropriate assessment instruments and on the potential for new careers in this area.

F61 14:00-14:30

Acadia C

Paper- Education, Adult General / Education

Strengthening acute care practice through occupational engagement

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Learn the benefits of developing a university accredited elective course within your acute care setting. The course engages students in a learning experience that lays the foundation for understanding scope of practice, caseload management, and priority issues while providing unique opportunities to strengthen knowledge and practice in occupational therapy.

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Session F62-F70

F62 14:00-14:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 10

Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Health and social participation of adolescents with intellectual disabilities through sports: Occupational therapists' leadership needed

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This study identified personal and environmental factors involved in the integration of adolescents with intellectual disabilities in sports. The discussion supports the use of sport as a meaningful occupation that can promote health and social participation. Occupational therapists are called to take on a leadership role.

F63 14:00-14:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 16

Poster- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Community

Tell me your story: Exploring narrative in occupational therapy practice

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Using narrative in occupational therapy is a powerful method for providing client centered care. Narrative can be used throughout the occupational therapy process. This course explores ideas for incorporating narrative into occupational therapy practice. The concept of narrative as a whole and the idea of illness narrative will be discussed.

F64 14:00-14:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 28

Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Leisure participation among school-aged children with global developmental delays

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Global developmental delay (GDD) is a common childhood disorder affecting the children's developmental abilities, overall daily functioning, and potentially, leisure participation. The purpose of this study is to determine the extent to which family environment, developmental and behavioural difficulties are associated with leisure participation among school-aged children with GDD.

F65 14:00-14:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 31

Poster- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Administration Health Policy

Understanding the role of occupational therapists in creating inclusive environments

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This poster presents results from a project exploring the role of occupational therapy in the area of accessibility. Themes were identified from semi-structured interviews with occupational

therapists and other professionals in the area of accessibility. Results highlight the potential for occupational therapists to become more actively involved in this area.

F67 14:30-15:00 Halifax C

Paper- Professional Issues, Older Adult General / Clinical-Institution

Return to gardening or institutionalization? Occupational therapists' vision and voice

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Occupational therapists may collude with medical professionals in unwanted, unnecessary and potentially harmful institutionalization if they fail to advocate meaningful occupations as health promoting. Occupational therapists have a duty to build evidence of the causal relationships between occupation, health and well-being through daily practice and systematic study.

F68 14:30-15:00 Acadia A

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Considerations for speech recognition use with children with physical disabilities

Tara Previl (Ottawa Children's Treatment Centre, Ottawa)

Amita Bhargava Furgoch, Rose Martini

Computer use is a meaningful occupation and presents unique challenges for those with disabilities. Highlights of a retrospective chart review, examining variables related to the abandonment of Speech Recognition (SR) software by children, will be presented. Discussion will focus on those who benefit from SR and strategies for successful use.

F69 14:30-15:00 Acadia B

Paper- Research, Adult Health / Clinical-Community

Enabling work capacity in workers with musculoskeletal injuries – best practices

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This paper presents the results of a systematic review of research concerning interventions for workers with work-related musculoskeletal injuries. The review identified a number of practices supported by scientific evidence, but few studies emerged that substantiate the contributions of occupational therapy. Implications for practice will be discussed.

F70 14:30-15:00 Acadia C

Paper- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education

Stimulating evidence based practice skill development through practice dilemmas

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This presentation will describe and share resources about learning to be evidence-based occupational therapists. Practice dilemmas are donated by clinicians and used by student occupational therapists to facilitate skills in searching, ap-

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praising, and applying relevant evidence. Practice dilemmas can be used by students and clinicians to support evidence-based occupational therapy.

F71 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 1

Poster- Professional Issues, Adult General / Education
Providing client-centred practice at the macro-level
 Ana Paula Carvalho (Main Street Project, Winnipeg)
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 This poster fosters involvement in advocacy beyond the individual level as essential to truly being client-centred. The debate process was recognized as a strategy to advance occupational therapy practice which led to advocacy at the macro level by clinicians.

F72 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 9

Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Theory
Cultural norms and ideals of children's occupations in Zambia
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 This study explores norms and ideals of children's occupations within the Zambian cultural context. It provides an analysis of the discourse around children's occupations as presented through Zambian children's literature. The findings will inform best practice for occupational therapists by enabling them to be client centered in a multi-cultural context.

F73 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 14

Poster- Research, Older Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution
Montessori-based activities for individuals with dementia: Impact on responsive behaviours
 Krystal McBrayne (St. Joseph's Care Group - Lakehead Psychiatric Hospital, Thunder Bay) Carolyn Chong, Laurie Macdonald, Sacha Dubois, Carrie Gibbons, Sapna Ramanan krystalmcbrayne@gmail.com
 The results of this pilot study demonstrate that compared to regular unit activity in an inpatient Dementia Care setting,

older adults with dementia participating in Montessori-based activities demonstrated significantly fewer physically non-aggressive responsive behaviours, increased constructive engagement and improved quality of life. Research exploring sustaining these positive effects is recommended.

F74 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 20

Poster- Practice, Adult General / Administration Health Policy
Caseload management through interdisciplinary daily patient reviews
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Requests for occupational therapy service outstrips resources in most acute care hospitals. One hospital's experience with daily interdisciplinary patient reviews will be described. Outcomes include improved recognition of the occupational therapy service provided, enhanced occupational therapy communication skills, reduced discharge delays, and decreased readmission rates.

F75 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 32

Poster- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community
Factors associated with participation for adults living with obesity
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This study identified factors associated with participation in daily occupations for adults with obesity by surveying adults living with obesity. A model including personal and environmental factors that predict participation was developed. Personal and environmental factors associated with obesity amenable to occupational therapy interventions will be identified in this session. This study was supported by a Doctoral Award from the Canadian Occupational Therapy Foundation and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research.



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Event reminders • Rappel d'événement

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Morning yoga / Yoga matinal

08:30-09:30

Plenary Session / Séance plénière

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CAOT Annual General Meeting / Assemblée générale annuelle de l'ACE

11:00-11:30

COTF Annual General Meeting / Assemblée générale annuelle de la FCE

11:30-13:00

COTF Lunch with a Scholar / Dîner-causerie de la FCE en compagnie d'un érudit

15:30 – 16:30

President's Address and Closing Ceremony / Discours de la présidente de l'ACE et Cérémonie de clôture

20:30-22:15

The Halifax Ghost Walk / La Tour de l'horloge

S1 13:00-15:00 Halifax A

Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy University Programs Sponsored Session- Exploring career pathways: Demystifying the road to academia

This interactive two hour session is presented by the Association of Canadian Occupational Therapy University Programs. Our aim is to demystify the various roles in academia from educator to researcher. We will present the wide spectrum of academic careers from adjunct/ clinical instructor to tenure track appointments. We will feature some success stories of new graduates, junior faculty members, and senior faculty members at several Canadian universities. This session will be of interest to individuals who are contemplating an academic career and have questions about the academic career ladder.

SYMPOSIUM

S2 13:00-14:30 SYMPOSIUM Halifax B

**Symposium- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community
Is there a place for rehabilitation in primary care?**

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This session presents the results of a survey implemented in 67 primary care clinics, throughout the province of Quebec. 14833 participants answered a short questionnaire, which included the World Health Organization Disability Assessment Schedule II. Activities limitations and participation restrictions reported by participants will be examined, in relation to various health issues, patterns of comorbidity and demographic data.

Symposium- Other Emerging Practice/ Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Exploring a role for occupational therapy in postnatal healthcare

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Becoming a parent involves significant changes that have implications for parents and infants. Occupational therapists have core skills to address these changes; however are not currently active members of postnatal healthcare teams. Through a critical literature review and exploration of theory a potential role for occupational therapists has been identified.

Symposium- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community

Operational stress injury: A place for occupational therapy in the Canadian Forces

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Operational stress injury affects approximately 28% of Canadian Forces personnel. Current service gaps are associated with stigmatization and early discharge. This critical review examines the need for occupational therapy services in the military and the move towards operationalizing these services.

S3 13:00-13:30 Halifax C

Paper- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Community

Assistive device prescription in the auto sector in Ontario

Lynn Rutledge (Fulcrum Consultants, Toronto)

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The prescription of assistive devices is common practice in the auto sector in Ontario, but with no explanatory framework. This research explored therapists' rationale for the prescription of assistive devices using a grounded theory approach. This research highlighted the importance of negotiation with clients regarding the provision of assistive devices.

S4 13:00-13:30 Acadia A

Paper- Practice, Child/Adolescent Health / Clinical-Institution

Helping Hand: A paediatric constraint induced movement therapy group

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Helping Hand, a constraint induced movement therapy group combines occupationally based treatment with client and parental support. The development and outcomes of this program for children with acquired brain injury or stroke is highlighted. Results support positive changes in occupational performance and upper extremity function with carryover noted at six months.

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S5 13:00-13:30 Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community
Conceptualizing successful return to work through concept mapping

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Current return to work outcomes are not based on the perspectives of workers, employers and other stakeholders. This presentation will explain the process used to conceptualize successful return to work using a collaborative, multi-stakeholder perspective. Attendees will learn what return to work stakeholders feel is important to this process.

S6 13:00-13:30 Acadia C

Paper- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community
Employment strategies: People living with bipolar disorder explore the possibilities

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The complex nature of living with and accommodating the demands of employment with a mental illness will be understood from the results of qualitative interviews from people living with bipolar disorder. Factors that facilitate and hinder employment success for people living with mental illness will be explored.

S7 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 3

Poster- Research, Older Adult Health / Clinical-Community
Applying CO-OP to older adults with age-related executive changes

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 The pilot study uses a single-case design to determine the efficacy of the Cognitive Orientation to daily Occupational Performance (CO-OP) approach in significantly improving the self-identified daily life performance problems of older adults with age-related executive changes. The participant is one who is otherwise healthy and lives in the community.

S8 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 7

Poster- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution
The experiences of parenting a technology-dependent child living in hospital

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Our study aims to answer the question: How do parents of technology-dependent children describe their role and their experiences with parenting a child who has been admitted long-term to a complex continuing care unit in an urban centre? Data gathered from these parents regarding their attitudes, concerns, engagement and participation with their child will allow healthcare professionals to more effectively support parents in their occupational roles.

S9 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 11

Poster- Research, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
En-route to enablement: Investigating observation patterns of occupational therapists

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Observation skills are fundamental for gathering assessment information en-route to formulating client centered care. This pilot study investigated the measurable components of visual attention required for 'observation' through the tracking of eye movement and decision-making responses. The results may begin to unveil how occupational therapists observe clients engaging in occupation.

S10 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 15

Poster- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community
Using coaching as an enablement skill in occupational therapy

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Coaching has been formally adopted as an enablement skill by the CAOT. This paper a) explains the coaching approach, b) outlines how coaching skills can be used to enhance client enablement, c) proposes occupational therapy coaching competencies and d) reports on a new MScOT course teaching coaching skills to occupational therapy students.

S11 13:00-13:30 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 19

Poster- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Construire son identité professionnelle à l'université à l'aide d'un portfolio de type formatif

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Le potentiel intégrateur du portfolio universitaire de type formatif est démontré en reliant cette activité réflexive personnelle au développement de l'identité professionnelle et à son ancrage dans les fondements de la profession. Les modalités utilisées sont présentées et rattachées aux approches narrative et socio-constructiviste qui sous-tendent le programme de formation.

S12 13:30-14:00 Acadia A

Paper- Practice, Adult General / Theory
Pressure ulcer treatment and prevention: Is there an occupational perspective?

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Given that pressure ulcers are a health disruption which limits occupational participation and an occupational perspective examines a person's health through their participation in meaningful occupation, then an occupational framework potentially offers a person-focused approach to improve pressure ulcer intervention using occupations as the foundation to risk assessment and strategy implementation.

S13 13:30-14:00

Acadia B

Paper- Research, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community
The effectiveness of Occupational Performance Coaching (OPC) in enabling children's and parents' performance
Fiona Graham (University of Queensland, Brisbane) Sylvia Rodger, Jenny Ziviani f.graham@uq.edu.au
Occupational Performance Coaching (OPC) is a family- and occupation-centred intervention for working with parents of children with disabilities. Evidence of the effectiveness of OPC in improving occupational performance (N=29) is presented. ANOVA and post hoc analysis identified significant improvements post-intervention. Implications for practice are discussed.

S14 13:30-14:30

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World Federation of Occupational Therapy Sponsored Session

One of CAOT's strategic priorities is to continue to develop an international reputation and exposure. This includes highlighting and promoting international experiences of CAOT members. As such, CAOT partnered with the People to People Ambassador Program and in the fall of 2009 the first delegation of Canadian occupational therapists undertook a professional and cultural program in China.

The focus of this presentation is to provide an overview of that delegation's experience, results of the delegation, and potential future opportunities for members of CAOT to engage in professional and cultural delegations abroad.

S15 13:30-14:00

Acadia C

Paper- Research, Adult Psych/Soc /Theory
A Canadian Model of work integration for persons with mental illnesses

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This paper presents a framework of central constructs that dominate the field of work integration and mental illness. Awareness of these varied discourses promotes understanding of the different ways in which work integration is seen in today's context; how it is understood, dealt with, and internalized by individuals and groups.

S16 13:30-14:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 1

Poster- Practice, Older Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Increasing best-practice management of post-stroke unilateral spatial neglect

Anita Peltzold (McGill University, Montreal) Nicol Korner-Bitensky, Sara Ahmed, Nancy Salbach, Anita Menon, Franceen Kaizer, Tatiana Ogourtsova

There exists a large gap between actual occupational therapy practice and best practice in the management of acute post-stroke unilateral spatial neglect. Our goal was to identify the specific barriers and facilitators these therapists experience in order to develop a knowledge translation intervention to increase their use of best practices.

S17 13:30-14:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 5

Poster- Practice, Child/Adolescent Health / Education
Manuscript or cursive writing, which is easier to produce?
Heidi Schwellnus (University of Toronto, Toronto)
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Handwriting is a necessary skill for children to learn, yet almost one quarter of school children have difficulty learning to produce manuscript or cursive writing. This poster will summarize the relevant past and current literature on both manuscript and cursive writing to determine which is the easiest for children to produce.

S18 13:30-14:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 9

Poster- Practice, Older Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Helping clients find balance: Lessons learned from women with osteoarthritis

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This poster describes secondary analysis of a hermeneutic phenomenological study of the lived experience of eleven women with osteoarthritis, to reflect on implications for occupational therapy practice. The findings highlight the need for individualized collaboration and mutual problem-solving to enable occupational balance, an essential theme of participants' lived experience.

S19 13:30-14:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 13

Poster- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Community
Applying the Canadian Practice Process Framework to Guide Clinical Reasoning

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The Canadian Practice Process Framework will be used as a guide to help occupational therapists explain their clinical reasoning and the information they use when reasoning in clinical situations. Examples of key reflective questions will also be provided to help guide therapists in making their clinical reasoning more explicit.

S20 13:30-14:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 17

Poster- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Interprofessional placement provides dual benefits to students and community

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Occupational therapy students participated in inter-professional placements at two Family Health Clinics in London, Ontario, and provided comprehensive community-based services addressing social and health determinants. Students gained practical teamwork skills with other professions and learned how these determinants in disadvantaged communities differ from those in other areas of occupational therapy practice.

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S21 14:00-14:30 **Acadia A**
 Paper- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community
Smart grab bars: Do they really encourage grab bar use?
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Sixty nine healthy participants were recruited to help determine if the use of a smart grab bar (which integrates auditory, visual or the combination of audio-visual cues) could increase grab bar use by seniors and to determine the impact of the various cues on the frequency of use of grab bars.

S22 14:00-14:30 **Acadia B**
 Paper- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Institution
Interdisciplinary parent group intervention for pre-school children with feeding difficulties
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 A five-week interdisciplinary, parent group intervention was undertaken to determine whether it provides effective service to children with feeding difficulties. The frequency of feeding difficulties and parental problems was significantly reduced at the end of the program. These results suggest that an interdisciplinary parent group provides effective service.

S23 14:00-14:30 **Acadia C**
 Paper- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Community
Mental illness among healthcare workers: The social relations of silence
 Sandra Moll (McMaster University, Hamilton)
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 Mental illness among healthcare workers is not uncommon, however, they are less likely to take sick leave and seek medical help. Findings will be presented from an institutional ethnography study which explored the social relations of healthcare work and its impact on the experiences of workers with mental health issues.

S24 14:00-14:30 **NS Ballroom Foyer Board 4**
 Poster- Practice, Older Adult Health / Clinical-Institution
Evaluation of an upper extremity circulatory group for stroke survivors
 Heather Sleath (Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Toronto)
 Jo-Anne Howe, Debbie Hebert, Erica Oglvie
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 Toronto Rehabilitation Institute (TRI) has developed an upper extremity circulatory group in order to allow stroke survivors to work on improving motor function in their affected upper extremity, but the effectiveness of the program has not yet been evaluated. The aim of this study is to determine if TRI's Upper Extremity Circulatory Group for stroke survivors is effective in improving motor function in the affected upper extremity.

S25 14:00-14:30 **NS Ballroom Foyer Board 8**
 Poster- Research, Adult General / Clinical-Community
Employment integration programs: The experiences of internationally-educated professionals
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A priority of Ontario's Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration is to build successful bridging programs to support internationally-educated professionals (IEPs). The purpose of this study is to explore the experiences of recently-immigrated IEPs enrolled in integration programs (mentoring and language training) designed to support their entry into employment.

S26 14:00-14:30 **NS Ballroom Foyer Board 12**
 Poster- Practice, Child/Adolescent Psych/Soc / Education
Enabling cooperative play at the community level
 Sabrina Vaghela (University of British Columbia, North Vancouver) Karen Don sabrina.vaghela@gmail.com
 Community organizations provide children with opportunities to participate in socially-based play. Occupational therapy can form strong partnerships with these organizations to enable children with different levels of ability inclusive access to games and activities. The presented project demonstrates a successful collaboration between occupational therapy students and a non-profit community center.

S27 14:00-14:30 **NS Ballroom Foyer Board 16**
 Poster: Education - Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Enabling possibilities for occupational therapists across oceans
 Elizabeth Steggles (McMaster University, Hamilton) Sue Baptiste, Shaminder Dhillon, Leah Dix, Pat McMahan, Usha Rangachari
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 This presentation describes the use of an online platform that enabled occupational therapists from around the world to participate in and contribute to a live education experience. The technology, its utility and potential will be discussed.

S28 14:00-14:30 **NS Ballroom Foyer Board 20**
 Poster- Education, Non Specific to Client Group / Education
Engaging graduate students in relevant community service learning
 Mary Glasgow Brown (University of British Columbia, Vancouver) Jacqueline Dolder marygb@interchange.ubc.ca
 Engaging the graduate-level occupational therapy student in effective service learning opportunities requires that students be appropriately challenged, use practical skills, and practice within emerging themes in health care. Suggestions to achieve such outcomes and their clinical application will be discussed using a case example.

S29 14:30-15:00

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Paper- Practice, Adult General / Clinical-Community

Occupational choices for women with disabilities sustaining themselves through begging

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Women with disabilities in the developing world often resort to begging to earn a living despite the lack of dignity and safety associated with it. This paper describes occupation-based tools and techniques for community development used to help 40 women with physical disabilities transition from begging to dignified employment.

S30 14:30-15:00

Halifax C

Paper- Practice, Non Specific to Client Group / Clinical-Community

Clinician perspectives on introducing goal attainment scaling in rural Kenya

Emma Hicks (University of Toronto, Toronto) Jessica Barnes, Debra Cameron

Qualitative interviews were conducted with ten Kenyan rehabilitation clinicians following a three-month trial implementing Goal Attainment Scaling (GAS) in practice. Results provide insight into the process of implementing a new tool, the usability of GAS in this context, and the changes observed in practice through the introduction of GAS.

S31 14:30-15:00

Acadia A

Paper- Practice, Child/Adolescent General / Clinical-Community

Occupational Performance Coaching (OPC): An overview and experience of methods

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Occupational Performance Coaching (OPC) is a family and occupation-centred intervention for working with parents of children with disabilities with proven effectiveness in enabling performance in home and community contexts. Participants in this session will extend their knowledge of OPC and learn key techniques of OPC including Collaborative Performance Analysis.

S32 14:30-15:00

Acadia B

Paper- Practice, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution

Self-management: A strategy for occupational therapists in mental health

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This paper focuses on the development of a self-management program implemented within the clinical pathways of a mother baby unit (MBU) for women with postnatal depression. Based on a framework developed by occupational therapy researchers, evidence of its effectiveness and applicability in this mental health setting will be discussed.

S33 14:30-15:00

Acadia C

Paper- Research, Adult Psych/Soc / Clinical-Institution

Finding meaning in place: Living long term in psychiatric hospital

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This study explores the lived experience of place for people with severe mental illness who live long term in a psychiatric hospital. The findings reveal the internal and external factors that contribute to meaningful experiences for long stay clients as well as those that facilitate and hinder discharge.

S34 14:30-15:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 2

Poster- Practice, Older Adult Health / Clinical-Institution

Upper extremity function after SaeboFlex orthosis intervention

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The proposed serial case study describes how therapy with the SaeboFlex orthosis affects upper extremity function in stroke survivors with significant hemiplegia. A battery of functional assessments, including goal attainment measures, will be conducted on three periods. Results can contribute to clinical knowledge of effective upper extremity stroke rehabilitation.

S35 14:30-15:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 6

Poster- Professional Issues, Older Adult Health / Administration Health Policy

Manual tilt: A therapeutic intervention or a restraint?

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Despite provincial wide clinical education, some long-term care homes are continuing to ban manual tilt wheelchairs, as they are considered a restraint and may produce a "flag" in the Minimum Data Set—Resident Assessment Instrument. This paper will identify an approach to change this policy which impacts clinical practice.

S36 14:30-15:00

NS Ballroom Foyer Board 10

Poster- Practice, Adult Health / Clinical-Institution

The occupational therapist as triage artist for total joint patients

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Pre-operative occupational therapy assessment is invaluable in directing the plan of care for the patient by early identification of potential issues that may impact occupational performance and engagement post-operatively, such as cognitive deficits and psychosocial issues. This proactive approach makes optimal use of limited occupational therapy resources in the acute care setting.

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S37 14:30-15:00 NS Ballroom Foyer Board 14

Poster- Research, Child/Adolescent Health / Education
Knowledge translation in cerebral palsy rehabilitation: Parents' assessment of CP-Engine
 Melanie Allard-Cameus (McGill University, Laval) Laurie Snider, Nicol Korner-Bitensky
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Parents of children with cerebral palsy (CP) frequently search the Internet for information on treatments. CP-Engine, a user-friendly knowledge translation tool that addresses the effectiveness of rehabilitation interventions for children with CP was assessed. This study provides valuable recommendations in planning knowledge translation initiatives in occupational therapy.

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The student fieldwork placement experience - A process map
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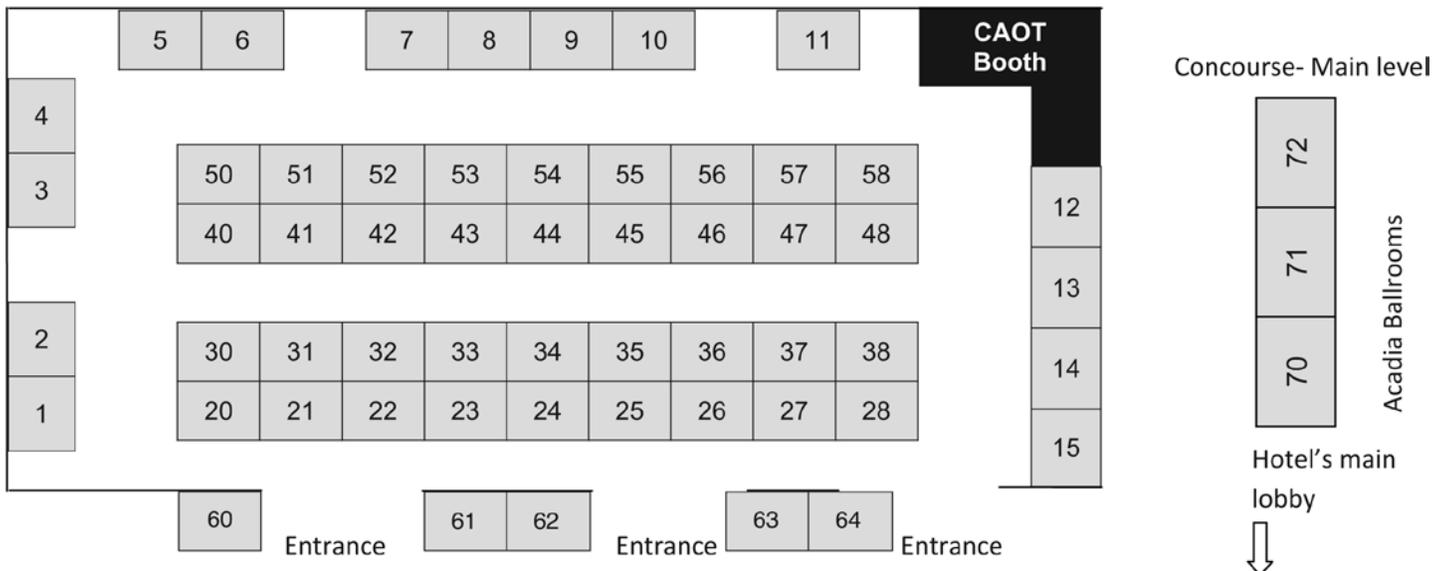
This poster outlines the responsibilities/accountabilities of each stakeholder: the student, educational facility and clinician/fieldwork site before, during and after the actual fieldwork experience in order to simplify and organize the student fieldwork placement process and improve stakeholder satisfaction.



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Caseload Management Project

The Caseload Management Planning Tool project is an evidence-based initiative that aims to help individual professionals, organizations and policy makers develop effective caseload/workload management for occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech-language pathology. The Tool integrates the competencies of the three professions and supports effective matching of human resources to a wide variety of client populations and service contexts in Canada. The Caseload Management Planning Tool project is funded by Health Canada.

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