OT COMPACT CHRONICLES

The quarterly Occupational Therapy Compact newsletter



EXECUTIVE PERSPECTIVE

by Amanda Perry

In a matter of a day, we closed the chapter on one fiscal year and opened a blank page for another. This should encourage us to be both reflective and visionary. As we contemplate the accomplishments over the last year, it behooves us to cast vision for what we can achieve in the next 12 months. What story will we write between 10.1.2024 – 09.30.2025? How will the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission (OTCC) make an impact in its unique corner of the world?

It is my honor to serve as the Executive Director of the OTCC. I do not consider it my job; I embrace it as a calling and a purpose to serve you and the OT profession. I am excited about both the known and the unknown opportunities that we will embrace as a Commission throughout FY25. Let us enter this year with intention, committing to be involved and engaged!!

CHAIR'S CORNER

by Lesly Wilson James, PhD, PMP, OTR/L, FAOTA, FNAP

The OTC has made great strides toward operationalizing the interstate licensure compact for occupational therapy practitioners. The magnitude of the collaboration of the 31 states and stakeholders working together to ensure that the OTC is inclusive of input, resources, and financial support has been amazing. In doing this work, the OTC has been able to form a strong network with like minded professional associations to develop the Compact Connect. This collaborative effort with the Counseling and Audiology-Speech Language Pathology Compacts has positively impacted the cost and time for our data system development and launching. We are looking forward to being able to officially issue privileges. I am grateful to be serving the public and the profession in the capacity of the Chair of the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission!

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OFFICE HOURS

OCTOBER

• 22nd, 8:00 - 9:00a CST

NOVEMBER

- 13th, 10:00 11:00a CST
- 25th, 1:00 2:00p CST

DECEMBER

- 13th, 8:00 9:00a CST
- 30th, 11:00a 12:00p CST

Office Hours are an opportunity to have informal discussions and introductions with the OTC Executive Director and fellow Commissioners and/or State Administrators who join. The attendees enter a waiting room and are admitted as long as there is not a quorum of Commissioners present.

UPDATES

WELCOME NEW STATES

Vermont Minnesota Rhode Island

WELCOME NEW COMMISSIONERS

Kathryn Skibek - VA Sharon Pape - IN Amanda Smith - AL Lise Faulise - RI Trent Gahl - MT Daniella Filardo - MN Zen Mayhugh - CO



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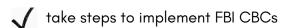


Compact Connect is the open source data system that is in development for the OTC. Please visit: www.compactconnect.org for information about the joint initiative and to view demo videos.

COMPACT CONNECT TIMELINE

- Dec. 2024: Pilot OTC states* onboard.
- April 2025: Remaining OTC states onboard.
- Aug. 2025: Issue privileges to practice!

ARE YOU COMPACT CONNECT READY?



√ set a state fee for OTC applications

Jet Amanda know if your state requires a Jurisprudence exam for OT/OTA