Towards 2020
Welcome to Yokohama, Japan
Today's journey

A brief introduction to WFOT
Council meeting outcomes
Awards
Achievements
Future directions
WFOT was established in 1952 following an inaugural meeting represented by ten national occupational therapy associations from the USA, UK, Canada, South Africa, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia, Israel, India and Denmark.

In 2012 WFOT celebrated its 60th anniversary.
Management Team - Executive

Sharon Brintnell  
President

Sue Baptiste  
Vice President

Samantha Shann  
Vice President Finance

Marilyn Pattison  
Executive Director

Management Team – Programme Coordinators

Lyle Duque  
Education and Research

Ritchard Ledgerd  
Promotion and Development

Suchada Sakornsatian  
International Cooperation

Nils Erik Ness  
Standards and Quality
Executive Management Team
2012 - 2014
WFOT Council 2012

WORLD FEDERATION OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS
30TH COUNCIL MEETING, TAIPEI, TAIWAN. 26-30 MARCH 2012
WFOT Council 2014

World Federation of Occupational Therapists
31st Council Meeting, Chiba, Japan – June 2014
Executive Management Team
2014 - 2016
New members
Full members

- Turkey (2012)
- Bulgaria (2014)
- Malawi (2014)
Associate Members

• Armenia (2012)
• Romania (2012)
• Trinidad and Tobago (2012)
• Tunisia (2012)
• Faroe Islands (2014)
• Madagascar (2014)
• Zambia (2014)
Regional Member

- Arabic Occupational Therapists Regional Group (AOTRG) 2012
WFOT MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

59 Full Members, 19 Associate Members, 7 Contributing Members/Regional Groups
Awards

- Thelma Cardwell Foundation Award
- Service Award
- Merit Award
- Honorary Fellow
WFOT invites Award applications from individuals or teams in support of research projects that will enhance the development of occupational therapy in a significant way.

There were five (5) applications for this award in 2014. All were reviewed by a team of three (3) experienced academics.
Thelma Cardwell Foundation Award

“Preparation for an uncertain world: international curriculum development for mental occupational therapy practice preparation” Submitted by Dr. Katherine Wimpenny (UK) who is the Principal Investigator of an international research team comprised of Imogen Gordon and Sarah Goy (UK), Loren Lewis (South Africa) and Huget Desiron (Belgium).
Service Awards
Service Awards

All WFOT Delegates receive Service Awards at the end of their term of office. In addition the Executive can nominate non Delegates for outstanding service to WFOT.
Service Awards

• Convenor
• Dagmar Ceramidis (Australia)

• Rosemary Crouch (South Africa)
• Bonnie Kirsh (Canada)
• Monica Eklund (Sweden)
• Carmen Forn de Zita (Venezuela)
• Deborah Pitts (USA)
• Roisin Walsh (Ireland)
• Niall Turner (Ireland)
Merit Awards
Merit Award

• The criteria for the conferring of this award are:

  • Services rendered to the WFOT; and
  • An outstanding long-term commitment to WFOT in various ways:
  • Exemplary service to the Federation; and
  • A significant contribution over a number of years in WFOT projects.
Merit Awards

• Professor E Sharon Brintnell

• Nils Erik Ness

• Suchada Sakornsation
Merit Award

Dr Claudia Von Zweck, Canada
Merit Award

The World Federation of Occupational Therapists (WFOT) wishes to confer upon Claudia von Zweck, Canada, an Award of Merit for her work on behalf of the occupational therapy profession world wide.

Over the course of the past twenty years, Claudia has been a strong advocate of and support to the WFOT. She has partnered with the Executive regarding several key initiatives, the latest of which is the provision of the Academic Program Accreditation Processes for occupational therapy that have become a core component of the work of the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists. Her hope has been that these materials will assist WFOT in establishing an accreditation option for member organizations to enhance the MSEOT. Claudia ensured support for the WFOT delegates over the years while also determining that national initiatives and data were readily available to WFOT if requested.

The WFOT offers Claudia von Zweck our deepest appreciation for our mutual relationship.
Merit Award

Beryl Steeden, UK
Merit Award

The World Federation of Occupational Therapists (WFOT) wishes to confer upon Beryl Steeden, United Kingdom, an Award of Merit for her work on behalf of the occupational therapy profession worldwide.

In the course of her career in occupational therapy, particularly through her roles in the College of Occupational Therapists in the United Kingdom (UK), Beryl has shown a constant and continuing commitment to the work undertaken by the WFOT. She has attended congresses regularly, has offered data related to working conditions and scope for occupational therapists within the UK, provided thoughtful input when needed regarding issues of priority concern. In addition, the warmth of her personality has been much appreciated and her overall presence respected and valued.

The WFOT offers Beryl Steeden our deepest appreciation for our mutual relationship.
Honorary Fellowship

• An Honorary Fellowship is awarded for:
  – an outstanding contribution and distinguished service to the profession of occupational therapy at a local and international level;
  – an exceptional impact on the profession of occupational therapy within the WFOT member and associate member countries; and
  – excellence and outstanding performance, over a number of years, in various aspects of occupational therapy:
    – the development and promotion of the profession;
    – exceptional service in an elected office or post etc. over and above that which is normally expected;
    – education of occupational therapists;
    – publication and research;
    – pioneering and volunteer work for the profession; and
  – other awards indicating distinguished service.
Honorary Fellow
CM2014

Professor E. Sharon Brintnell, Canada
Honorary Fellowship

Sharon Brintnell started her illustrious career in 1964 after receiving her diploma in Occupational Therapy. Her love for education started to blossom in 1970 as she became lecturer for the Division of Occupational Therapy, School of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Alberta.

In addition to her teaching and research activities, Professor Brintnell served as Chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy for three terms totalling over ten years, and as Acting Dean, Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, in 1990-91. As Director of the Occupational Performance Analysis Unit (OPAU) at the University of Alberta, Professor Brintnell’s clinical and research activity has focused for the past 25 years on understanding the impact of illness and injury, both mental and physical, on a person’s engagement in productive activity at home and in the workplace.

But her commitment to the profession does not stop with preparing future occupational therapist to enter the workforce. Professor Brintnell has also devoted her career to promoting the profession of Occupational Therapy and has demonstrated exemplary leadership over her career.
Honorary Fellowship

She has demonstrated exemplary leadership over her career. She was the President of the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists (CAOT) from 1978-1980. During her term, Professor Brintnell initiated the process and served on all of the Health Canada task forces responsible for developing the Canadian Occupational Therapy Guidelines for Client-Centred Practice, chairing the volume on mental health. She also was a contributing author to the CAOT publication of Enabling Occupation I, which became a landmark document for Canadian occupational therapists and has expanded to be adopted by many countries.

Since 1988, Sharon has developed a substantial international focus in professional human capacity building. Her major initiatives were to help establish occupational therapy programs in Kuwait and Indonesia.

Sharon’s clinical and research activity has focused for the past 25 years on understanding the impact of illness and injury, both mental and physical, on a person’s engagement in productive activity at home and in the workplace.
Professor Brintnell is an exemplary ambassador for Occupational Therapy at the local, provincial, national and international level. She has been tirelessly promoting the profession for the past 50 years with the same vibrant passion and generosity. In the words of her colleagues, she lives and breathes occupational therapy literally day and night! Her level of energy is contagious! Her passion for our profession is equal to her love and dedication to her family and friends. For these reasons, she is a most worthy recipient for the Honorary Fellow Award.
Honorary Fellow
CM2014

Marilyn Pattison,
Australia
Honorary Fellowship

Marilyn is dedicated beyond measure to WFOT and to the advancement of occupational therapy worldwide. She has contributed to every aspect of the profession through her untiring activities particularly in her volunteer capacity as WFOT Executive Director.

Marilyn has recognized the importance of strategy and influencing. Her relationship with key partners at the World Health Organization (WHO) has been critical to the increased collaboration between WFOT and WHO.

Marilyn Pattison is a prominent, highly respected and admired practitioner, educator, leader and mentor in occupational therapy both in Australia and internationally. Her career has been dedicated to the development of occupational therapy services focusing on vocational rehabilitation and the “occupation” of work. Marilyn has continuously given her expertise and experience to other countries to develop, inspire and promote best practice.
Honorary Fellowship

Marilyn has published internationally and supported research initiatives. Her publications range from clinically oriented materials to study modules, workshop materials, editorial, journal articles and book chapters.

Marilyn is a pioneer for the profession in her dedication to entrepreneurial activities and emerging practice. Through examples locally and globally, she has moved the profession forward.

Marilyn has led our World Federation through major organizational change, supported national organizations and individuals to lead the development of the profession throughout the world, and has done this all as a volunteer without remuneration while leading a very successful professional career in her home state of South Australia.
Honorary Fellowship

Marilyn has made an outstanding contribution to the profession and provided distinguished service to occupational therapy at a local and international level.

She has touched the hearts and minds of occupational therapists locally and globally and deserves the award of Honorary Fellow, the highest award of the World Federation of Occupational Therapists.
Some of WFOT’s achievements in the last 4 years
International Liaison - Regions

Occupational Therapy Africa Regional Group (OTARG)

Asia Pacific Occupational Therapy Regional Group

Arabic Occupational Therapists Regional Group

Confederacion LatinoAmericana De Terapeutas Ocupacionales (CLATO)

Council of Occupational Therapists for the European Countries (COTEC)
Translation

Over 50 translations of all key WFOT documentation, communications and presentations

Languages include: German, French, Spanish, Arabic and Mandarin

Dissemination to all Member Organisations, WFOT website, WFOT Bulletin
WFOT Bulletin

Online only and moving to a publishing house
Marketing Strategy

**Educational Strategies**
Education and training events
WFOT Bulletin

**Direct Income Generation Strategies**
Membership Generation Strategies – Individual Membership
Advertising Revenue and Opportunities
Donations

**Communication Strategies**
Corporate Image / Branding
Social Media And Mobile App
Database Development
Website Traffic and OTION

**Promotional Strategies**
Promotional Products
Promotion of the Profession
Promotional Goods

New for 2014!
Available to buy at the WFOT Booth
RESOURCES - COMMUNICATION

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www.youtube.com/thewfot
Human Resources Project

A summary of global demographics of the occupational therapy profession
Ritchard Ledgerd, PCo Promotion and Development
73 Member Organisations surveyed
99% response rate

Outcomes include:
Total Number of Practising Occupational Therapists = 417,235
Total Number of WFOT Approved Education Programmes = 773
Students, assistants, migration, shortage specialties plus much more!

Free download at www.wfot.org available soon
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* Total number of practising occupational therapists is not known by this association, the number shown is the number of occupational therapists in the member association.

** Non-WFOT Member Organisation

n = 78
Number of WFOT approved education programmes

Argentina 5
Australia 36
Austria 1
Bangladesh 8
Belgium 14
Brazil 5
Canada 10
Chile 2
Colombia 1
Czech Republic 1
Denmark 7
Estonia 1
Finland 7
France 20
Germany 1
Greece 1
Hong Kong 1
Iceland 1
India 29
Indonesia 1
Iran 8
Israel 4
Italy 1
Japan 1
Jordan 3
Kenya 2
Republic of Korea 8
Latvia 1
Lithuania 2
Mexico 2
Netherlands 4
New Zealand 2
Norway 6
Pakistan 2
Palestine 2
Philippines 6
Portugal 1
Russia 1
Singapore 1
Slovenia 1
South Africa 8
Spain 3
Sri Lanka 1
Sweden 8
Switzerland 7
Taiwan 1
Thailand 1
Turkey 1
UK 1
USA 2
Venezuela 2
Zimbabwe 1

n = 56

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RESOURCES - INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE

Human Resources Project - also available as an interactive Google map via [http://tinyurl.com/WFOTMap2012](http://tinyurl.com/WFOTMap2012)
Disaster Preparedness and Response

- A memorandum of understanding has been signed between WFOT, Hong Kong Polytechnic University (HK) and Institute of Disaster Management and Reconstruction (IDMR), Sichuan University (China). The development of a research project is anticipated.

- Position statement completed in 2014
International Advisory Groups

- Occupational Science
- Human Rights
- Occupational Therapy and ICF
World Occupational Therapy Day – 27th October

World Occupational Therapy Day was first launched on 27th October 2010. Since then, it has become an important date in the occupational therapy calendar to promote and celebrate the profession internationally.

Promotional materials are available at www.wfot.org
RESOURCES - INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE

Position Statements endorsed by WFOT from 2010 - 2014

- Client-centredness in Occupational Therapy (2010)
- Consumer Interface with Occupational Therapy (2010)
- Diversity and Culture (2010)
- Professional Registration (2010)
- Activities of Daily Living (2012)
- Competency and Maintaining Competency (2012)
- Environmental Sustainability: Sustainable Practice within Occupational Therapy (2012)
- Universal Design (2012)
- International Collaborative Research in Occupational Therapy revised (2012)
- Occupational Science revised (2012)
- Global Health: Informing occupational therapy practice (2014)
- Human Displacement revised (2014)
- International Professionalism (2014)
- Occupational therapy in disaster preparedness and response (2014)
- Recruiting OTs from International Communities revised (2014)
- Recognition of Former Educational Status (2014)
- Specialisation and advanced occupational therapy competencies revised (2014)
- Scope and Extension of Practice (2014)
- Telehealth (2014)
Regional Conferences

14 - 18 September 2015

OTARG 2015, Kampala, Uganda

CLATO 2015, Costa Rica

COTEC 2016, Ireland
How do we do it?

• Volunteer labour
• Sponsorship
• Donations
• Membership fees
Premium Pricing Model

• Introduced 2010

• Strategy to provide access to Individual Membership of WFOT to more occupational therapists around the world

• Contact WFOT for more materials of this exciting initiative
Towards 2020

Reorganisation of the programme areas to better meet the needs of the profession
Towards 2020

Continued collaboration with WHO

Global Cooperation on Assistive Health Technology (GATE)

Lauren Flaherty on behalf of WHO
Towards 2020

Occupational therapy international online network (OTION)

Disability Action Plan – form part of the collaboration plan with the World Health Organization

Mental Health Survey

Education Survey

Sustainable Practice in Occupational Therapy
Towards 2020

Maintaining a risk management approach to developing financial strategies

Minimum Standards for the Education of Occupational Therapists review

Increase in student profile

Membership categories review

New IAG: Social Media
Towards 2020

Disaster Preparedness and Response
• development of an online educational module
• to continue collaboration with other international non-government organisations to promote rehabilitation as part of Sudden Onset Disaster response
• to approach WHO to support the establishment of a Rehabilitation Stakeholder Group for the inclusion of rehabilitation personnel in Foreign Medical Teams (FTM), with WFOT as a member of this advisory group.

Disaster Risk Reduction – signing of the Joint Civil Society Position on Post 2015 Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction
BENEFITS OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

Support strategic international representation at key stakeholder events to progress, lobby and influence the importance and relevance of the occupational therapy profession at a global level.

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