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## The 56<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of AIOTA With International Participation

8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019

**Organized by** All India Occupational Therapists' Association (AIOTA)  
In collaboration with

Occupational Therapy Department, PGIMER, Chandigarh, India

**Venue:** Bhargva Auditorium, PGIMER, Sector 12, Chandigarh-160 012, India

**Theme:** Interdisciplinary Approach: Towards Comprehensive Healthcare

### Highlights

#### Key Note Address

**Ritchard Ledgard**, Executive Director, World Federation of Occupational Therapists (WFOT), UK

#### Pre-Conference Continuing Occupational Therapy Education (COTE) Program

**Topic: Advanced Occupational Therapy in Neuro-Rehabilitation**

- **COTE 1:** Evidence Based Occupational Therapy for Visual Impairments in Neurological Disorders: **Dr. Kavita Mahamankar**, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
- **COTE 2:** Robotics & Aquatic Therapy as an Adjunct to Occupational Therapy in Neurological Disorders: **Dr. Priya K. Tawde**, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India

#### International Participation

Faculties and member delegates from USA, UK, Canada, Sri Lanka, Middle East and many more countries have consented to participate and contribute.

#### Live Conference for Delegates from India and Session-wise Webinar Telecast for Delegates from outside India

Webinar Registration Packages will be uploaded in the conference website soon.

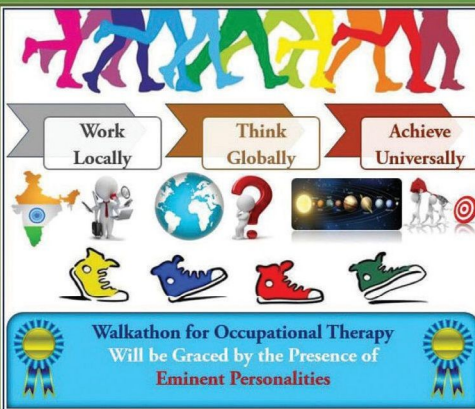
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# World Occupational Therapy (OT) Day & OTIndia Month 2018

## Organized by AIOTA

**World OT Day**  
(27<sup>th</sup> October, 2018) and  
**AIOTA's OTIndia Month**  
(27<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 to  
26<sup>th</sup> November, 2018)

Walkathon will commence from Wonders Park, Sector 19A, Nerul, Navi Mumbai on 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2018, Tuesday at 8.00 am sharp and will end at AIOTA National Headquarter, Sector 1, Nerul, Navi Mumbai.



[www.aiota.org](http://www.aiota.org)

World Occupational Therapy Day is celebrated worldwide on 27<sup>th</sup> October  
AIOTA's OTIndia Month is celebrated from 27<sup>th</sup> October to 26<sup>th</sup> November



Celebrating our global community

## Invite from AIOTA Office Bearers

**Dr. Anil K. Srivastava**, President AIOTA, will lead the 'Walk for OT'

Following AIOTA officials will accompany him: Dr. Shashi Oberai, Vice President; Dr. Satish Maslekar, Honorary Secretary; Dr. Pratibha M. Vaidya, Honorary Treasurer; Dr. Zarine D. Ferzandi, Ex-Officio; Dr. Jyothika N. Bijlani, Dean ACOT; Dr. Punita V. Solanki, Associate Editor, IJOT; EC Members of AIOTA & ACOT; IJOT Editorial Board Members, Members of AIOTA; OT colleagues and students from OT colleges of Mumbai and Navi Mumbai.

OT faculties, AIOTA members, OT colleagues, OT students, Other health professionals, Friends of OT are invited for their active & valuable participation for the great success of this event.

## Dress Code for Walkathon

**Men:** White T-Shirt/Shirt & Blue Jeans

**Women:** White T-Shirt /Shirt & Blue Jeans OR White Salwar Kameez



## Walkathon for Occupational Therapy

30<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Tuesday

8.00 am to 9.30 am

From Wonders Park, Sector 19A, Nerul, Navi Mumbai  
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### 1 Event Highlight at AIOTA Headquarter

Drawing and Painting Competition for Differently Abled Children at 10.30 am



### 2 Case Study Videos by AIOTA Members

Video Telecast by AIOTA Member Occupational Therapists at 12.30 pm



### 3 Display of Occupational Therapy Posters

from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm

### **RITCHARD LEDGARD TO DELIVER KEY NOTE ADDRESS IN OTICON'2019 AT CHANDIGARH**

Ritchard Ledgard, the Executive Director, WFOT has consented to deliver the Key Note address and also will be the guest speaker at OTICON'2019. The 56<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of All India Occupational Therapists' Association (AIOTA) with international participation is being organized by AIOTA in cooperation with Occupational Therapy (OT) department of country's pride, the Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh (PGIMER) from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2019. The theme of the conference is 'Interdisciplinary Approach: Towards Comprehensive Healthcare'. Delegates from UK, USA, Canada, Sri Lanka and the Middle East Countries have consented to participate. The conference is being organized in a grand way, enriched with academics of high standards and cultural evenings infused with great entertainment by local artists and students of AIOTA's accredited OT Colleges from all over India. President, AIOTA: Dr. Anil Srivastava from Lucknow, is the Organizing Chairman, Dr. Bhavinder Singh Suchdev from PGIMER, Chandigarh is the Organizing Secretary and Dr. Punita V. Solanki from Mumbai is the Chairperson of the Scientific Program for this event of great significance for AIOTA. For more details please do visit: <http://oticon.aiota.org/>

### **OT GLOBAL DAY OF SERVICE & OT INDIA MONTH 2018**

OT India month, 2018 (27<sup>th</sup> October to 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2018) beginning from World OT Day on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 is an integral part of OT India calendar & AIOTA. I congratulate members of AIOTA, OT Colleges, State Branches/Chapters of AIOTA and the institutions with OT set up in government and private sector, on the occasion of World OT Day. I am confident that this year too, the World OT Day & OT India month will be celebrated with dedication and enthusiasm throughout the country.

The Theme proposed by WFOT for OT Day in 2018 is 'Celebrating Our Global Community'. It impressively informs the unmatched value of occupational therapy in global community. OT India month celebration is aimed to promote OT and heighten its visibility in the society. Visit AIOTA Website for President AIOTA's message on OT Day and OT India Month of the year 2018 at: [http://aiota.org/temp/president/OT\\_DAY\\_2018\\_message.pdf](http://aiota.org/temp/president/OT_DAY_2018_message.pdf)

### **AIOTA INTERVENTION IN KERALA FLOODS 2018**

The state of Kerala had unusually high rains beginning in late July this year, causing severe floods encircling almost whole of the state. It was the worst flood of the century, in Kerala. Hundreds of people died and the damages were worth billions of rupees. 10000 KM of roads were damaged and thousands of homes were damaged and /or destroyed. With initiatives from AIOTA, the Kerala Branch/Chapter of AIOTA under the leadership of the Convener Dr. Joseph Sunny took adorable measures in cooperation of members of the branch to provide relief service for flood affected. Although OT's are not yet a part of the government-controlled disaster management team in Kerala. WFOT President Marilyn Pattison & President AIOTA Dr. Anil K. Srivastava sent letters of support to Union Health Minister, Chief Minister and Health Minister of the State of Kerala offering their full support

with request for inclusion of occupational therapists in the disaster management team with key stake holders engaged in rehabilitation and relief work for the flood affected in Kerala.

Dr. Joseph Sunny, EC member, AIOTA & also Convener, Kerala Branch/Chapter of AIOTA met with Chief of Disaster Risk Reduction in the UN Environment Program Dr. Muralee Thummarukudy and Additional Chief Secretary Revenue & Disaster Management Shri P. H. Kurian IAS and requested for inclusion of occupational therapists in disaster management team of the state by producing supporting documents.

### **AIOTA'S 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL FELLOWSHIP IN ADVANCED OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY IN NEURO-REHABILITATION INAUGURATED**

Academic Council of Occupational Therapy (ACOT) is organizing AIOTA's 2<sup>nd</sup> nine months duration annual fellowship in Advanced Occupational Therapy in Neuro-Rehabilitation (FAOT-NR, India) from 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 and will conclude in June 2019. Santosh, deemed to be University (Department of Orthopedic Surgery and Occupational Therapy), Ghaziabad and Department of Neurology of G. B. Pant Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research, New Delhi, have consented to collaborate as associate organizations for this prestigious academic event of AIOTA. Dr. Alok Sharma, a world-renowned neurosurgeon and Director Neurogen: Brain & Spine Institute, Navi Mumbai and Dr. Shashi Oberai, Vice President AIOTA were the eminent guests and speakers of the inaugural function organized at AIOTA National Headquarter, Nerul, Navi Mumbai on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Dr. Alok Sharma has announced sponsoring a session on Neuro-Rehabilitation during OTICON'2019 at Chandigarh.

President AIOTA welcomed the invited guests, national & international resource faculties and participants via online live-video telecast. Dr. Jyothika N. Bijlani, Dean ACOT is the principal coordinator, Dr. Neeraj Mishra, EC Member, AIOTA from New Delhi, Dr. Lakshmanan S., Assistant Editor, IJOT from Bangalore and Dr. Shriharsh S. Jahagirdar from Mumbai are the coordinators for this fellowship program.

The annual fellowship programs provide unique opportunities for didactic as well as web-based learning, backed by expert supervision and evidence-based practice guidelines. It is open for members of AIOTA with postgraduate qualification with minimum of three years' experience in treating clients with neurological disorders.

### **INCLUSION OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST AS SIGNATORY IN UDID MEMBER BOARD**

Occupational Therapists are also included as signatory authority in the member board for issuance of Unique Identity Card for Disabled (UDID Card) in all categories. The order to this effect has been issued by the Dean of Government Medical College & Hospital, Aurangabad, Maharashtra dated 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

### **AGREEMENT WITH OTCOURSES.COM**

AIOTA has signed an agreement regarding the offering of continuing OT education courses in India on different areas of

OT practice, by OTCourses.com, 6081- Cliff Lane, Temple, TX 76502, USA. This memorandum of understanding (MoU) signed by President AIOTA and President & CEO of OTCourses.com, will be reviewed after a period of three years (September, 2021) for its further continuation.

### THE INTERNATIONAL STANDARD CLASSIFICATION OF OCCUPATIONS IN RESPECT TO OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PROFESSION

AIOTA has sent letter of resentment to International Labor Office (Health Workforce Issues Genève, Switzerland, for inclusion of occupational therapists within the category “other health professions not elsewhere described”, together with many dissimilar professionals such as podiatrists etc.’ (ISCO-2269) in the International Standard Classification of Health-Related Professions.

This classification has been done by ignoring the fact that the modern occupational therapy has 75-85 years of history globally and is fully developed academically and clinically to cater to the needs of ailing community. AIOTA has requested for a favorable consideration in ISCO reclassification of occupational therapists during the process of the revision of the International Classification Standard of Occupations (ISCO) at the 20<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Labor Statisticians (ILCS) in October of 2018. WFOT also is actively working for the reclassification with cooperation from member organizations.

### APPROVAL OF NEW OT COLLEGE IN CHENNAI

Permission has been granted by the government of Tamil Nadu to start Bachelor of Occupational Therapy course from the academic year 2018-2019 in Government Kilpauk Medical College, Chennai with an annual intake of 10 students, vide government order dated 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. This will be the first Government OT College in South India. AIOTA applauds the efforts of Tamil Nadu Branch/Chapter of AIOTA under the leadership of Dr. Raghu Ram, the Convener of the branch for this meticulous achievement for the growth of OT profession in South India.

### FORMATION OF STATE CHAPTERS OF AIOTA

AIOTA decided that status quo would be maintained in functioning of existing State Branches /Chapters of AIOTA till 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020. The existing Branches can be registered with Societies Registration Act of the respective states with prior intimation and approval of AIOTA for affiliation as an official Branch/Chapter of AIOTA. The decision to this effect was taken by AIOTA EC meeting at Chandigarh in September 2018, considering the need for sufficient time for the Branches to register as Chapters, for implementation of the decision informed in general body meeting at Nagpur.

### NEW BOOKS PUBLISHED BY AIOTA MEMBERS

**Sleep Deprivation: An Occupational Therapist’s Management for Sleep Deprivations:** authored by Dr. Amitabh K. Dwivedi, Professor & Dean, Jaipur OT College, Jaipur, has been published

on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2018 by Lap Lambert Academic Publishing. Dr. Amitabh is also an EC Member, AIOTA and Review Board Member, IJOT

**Fatigue and Occupational Therapy:** authored by Dr. Veena Slaich, formerly Head of the Department of Occupational Therapy Training and Clinical Services at Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Institute for the Physically Handicapped, New Delhi is published in 2018 by Ahuja Publishing House, New Delhi. Dr. Veena Slaich is an EC Member of Academic Council of OT (ACOT), AIOTA.

### COTE ON “DRIVER REHABILITATION” AND “WHEELCHAIR SEATING AND MOBILITY”

Department of Occupational Therapy of All India Institute of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation has successfully organized 2<sup>nd</sup> certificate course on ‘Driver Rehabilitation’ on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 and Continuing OT Education Program (COTE) on ‘Wheelchair Seating & Mobility’ on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018 in collaboration with ACOT of AIOTA. Head, OT Department Dr. Anita Gupta was the organizing convener for these courses.

### ONE DAY WORKSHOP ON WORK SIMULATOR: THE ULTIMATE REHABILITATION SYSTEM FOR HAND

Short-term training program is being organized at Department of Occupational Therapy, National Institute for Locomotors Disability (NILD), Kolkata, on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2018, for qualified occupational therapists, titled ‘Work Simulator: The Ultimate Rehabilitation System for Hand’. The workshop is aimed to offer advance knowledge, techniques and skills on use of work simulator in work skill assessment and training for optimal patient care on hand. Contact: Dr. Jeetendra Mohapatra, Lecturer OT & Program Coordinator  
Email: jeetendra741@rediffmail.com

### SEQUENTIAL ORAL SENSORY FEEDING WORKSHOP, HONG KONG

The Frontier Teaching & Consultancy Ltd., is organizing Sequential Oral Sensory Feeding Workshop from Feb.23-26, 2019 at Hong Kong. The S.O.S. Approach to Feeding Workshop is a trans-disciplinary program for assessing and treating children with feeding difficulties and weight/growth problems from birth to 18 years. It integrates posture, sensory, motor, behavioral/learning, medical, and nutritional factors to comprehensively evaluate and manage children with feeding/growth problems. Dr. Kay Toomey (S.O.S. developer), and Dr. Erin Ross (USA) are the resource faculties. Visit Website [www.frontierttc.com/course](http://www.frontierttc.com/course) for downloading catalogue and application form.

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