

GOTA Annual Conference and Business Meeting 2025

FRIDAY		Topic	Primary Presenter
Friday, 12:00pm-1:00pm	October 24, 2025	Registration / Vendor Time	
Friday, 1:00pm-1:30pm	October 24, 2025	Welcome Time	Emily Stringfield
Friday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 24, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Audit-Proof Documentation: Learn, Share, and Strengthen	Gretchen Clark
Friday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 24, 2025	Let's Talk About Sex, OTPs	Stephanie Johnson
Friday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 24, 2025	Development of a Mobile App for Parents and Caregivers of Children with Autism	Laurie Tison
Friday, 3:00pm-4:00pm	October 24, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Feeding Tubes & Function: Digging Deep into Practice, Participation, and Possibility	Ruth Bourque
Friday, 3:00pm-4:00pm	October 24, 2025	The Mauna Model: A Trail Guide for Developing Competencies in Occupational	Jesse Ausec
Friday, 3:00pm-4:00pm	October 24, 2025	Therapy Students and Professionals.	Charles Shadle
Friday, 4:00pm-5:00pm	October 24, 2025	Vendor Time	
Friday, 5:00pm-6:00pm	October 24, 2025	AOTA: Vision 2030 Strategic Plan	Ruth Bourque
Friday, 5:00pm-6:00pm	October 24, 2025	Low Vision Modifications: Practical Strategies for All OTPs	Mallory Rosche
Friday, 5:00pm-6:00pm	October 24, 2025	I Bet You Didn't Know Your Smartphone Could Do That!	Leslie Holland
Friday, 6:30pm-7:30pm	October 24, 2025	Adaptive Meditation Walk	Ryan Carrick
SATURDAY			
Saturday, 7:00am-8:00am	October 25, 2025	Adaptive Approaches to Yoga	Ryan Carrick
Saturday, 8:15am-9:15am	October 25, 2025	Opening Remarks & Business Meeting	Emily Stringfield
Saturday, 9:30am-10:30am	October 25, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Rooted in Excellence: Growing the OT Profession Beyond Traditional Boundaries	Vanessa Hunter
Saturday, 9:30am-10:30am	October 25, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Improving Maternal Health Outcomes with Prenatal Occupational Therapy	Sujata Martin
Saturday, 9:30am-10:30am	October 25, 2025	Multi-Modal Therapeutic Approach for Pediatric Patients with Neurological and Complex Diagnoses	Julie Tyus
Saturday, 10:30am-11:30am	October 25, 2025	Vendor Time	
Saturday, 11:30am-12:30pm	October 25, 2025	Lunch & Keynote	Emily Stringfield
Saturday, 12:45pm-1:45pm	October 25, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Understanding the Root Causes of Disease and Disability to Enhance Holistic Occupational Therapy Treatments for Improved Function	Ileana McCaigue
Saturday, 12:45pm-1:45pm	October 25, 2025	The Use of Mobile Technology by Older Adults: Barriers, Facilitators, and General Tips	Leslie Holland
Saturday, 12:45pm-1:45pm	October 25, 2025	Higher Education and Occupational Therapy: Navigating Tumultuous Change	Charles Shadle
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Occupational Therapy Students' Confidence in Building Rapport with Clients During Level II Fieldwork	Anna Stansell
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Facilitating Participation in Occupations for Female Cancer Survivors	Patricia Watford
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	The Impact of Study Abroad Programs on the Competency Development of Occupational Therapy Doctorate Students	Emily Buchman
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Camp Rock: Adaptive Climbing for Children with CULD	Allison Brack

Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Advocacy for On-Campus Occupational Therapy in College Athletics	Doyle Taylor
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Exploring Parent Perspectives on the Benefits and Barriers of Nature-Based Therapy for Children	Kaylyn Reardigan
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Exploring the Use of Sensory Integration and Sensory-Based Treatments in Pediatric Occupational Therapy Intervention	Mallory Rosche
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	The Interplay of Pelvic Floor Dysfunction and Occupational Engagement: The Canadian Occupational Performance Measure (COPM)	Gabrielle Billie
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	The Impact of Smartphone Use on Brain Function in Adolescence: A Scoping Review	Sharon Cosper
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	The Role of Occupational Therapy in Promoting Sleep for Oncology Patients in Acute Care	Rosalee Kelley
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Effects of Hippotherapy on Visual Tracking Skills	Madeline Sybert
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Occupational Therapy in Maternal Health: Insights into the Mothering Occupations of Latina Mothers	Kathy Torres
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	What Impact do Tactile Interventions Have on School-Aged Children Experiencing Hyperactive and/or Inattentive Symptoms?	Grace Hatfield
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Occupational Therapy Interventions for Intimacy for Persons with Parkinson's Disease: A Scoping Review	Stephanie Johnson
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Occupational Therapy Interventions that Support Client Participation in Spirituality	Patricia Watford
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Comparative Analysis of Upper Extremity Functional Outcome Measures of Veteran Patients: In-Person Outpatient Versus Telehealth	Lisa Woodruff
Saturday, 1:45pm-2:45pm	October 25, 2025	Predictors of Success: OTKE Performance and NBCOT Exam First-Time Pass Rates	Meghan Hall
Saturday, 2:45pm-3:45pm	October 25, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Continuing the Conversation About Professionalism - Differences That Can Affect Individual Understanding and Communication	Nancy Fowler
Saturday, 2:45pm-3:45pm	October 25, 2025	Bridging Communities: Empowering Older Adults and Reducing Social Isolation Through Occupational Therapy	Victoria Loudermilk
Saturday, 2:45pm-3:45pm	October 25, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Reach for More: Improving Upper Extremity Motor Outcomes with Paired VNS Therapy Post-Stroke	Amanda Saylor
Saturday, 2:45pm-4:45pm	October 25, 2025	Annual Georgia Consortium for Fieldwork Education Meeting	Charles Shadle
Saturday, 4:00pm-5:30pm	October 25, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Introduction to Integrative Myofascial Release to Treat Musculoskeletal Pain	Sujata Martin
Saturday, 4:00pm-5:30pm	October 25, 2025	Activating Success: A Guide to Switch Control on the iPad	Rachel Scarboro
Saturday, 4:00pm-5:30pm	October 25, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Embodied Cognition: Reading and Responding to Cues of Regulation and Meaning Making Through Occupation	Karen McWaters
Saturday 6:30pm-7:30pm	October 25, 2025	Saturday Social Time	
SUNDAY			
Sunday, 8:00am-9:00am	October 26, 2025	Legislative	Logan Stringfield & Tom Bauer
Sunday, 9:15am-10:15am	October 26, 2025	DIGGING DEEPER: Sensory Integration as a Catalyst for Regulation and Neuroplasticity in Adult Inpatient Neurorehabilitation	Alexandra Morales
Sunday 9:15am-10:15am	October 26, 2025	NBCOT® National Certification Exam: Information You Need to Know	Ruth Bourque
Sunday 9:15am-10:15am	October 26, 2025	Occupation-Based Intervention Toolkit	Tina Jones
Sunday, 10:30am-12:30pm	October 26, 2025	Ethics for the Occupational Therapist	Jennifer Boyette