

## OREGON Occupational Therapy Licensing Board

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# NEWSLETTER

### OTLB BOARD MEMBERS:

**Mashelle Painter**, COTA/L, Chair  
**Linda Smith**, OTR/L, Vice-Chair  
**Sybil Hedrick**, OTR/L, CHT, CSCS  
**Robert Bond**, Public Member  
**Juanita Shepherd**, Public Member

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New Office Staff at OTLB

**Felicia Holgate & Nancy Schuberg**, Directors Office.

**Rachel Cillo**, Administrative Asst.

Please update your contact information.

We send updates and let you know of important changes by email and on the web site.

The private email is kept confidential. You can also provide a public e-mail.

Mission Statement: To protect the public by supervising occupational therapy practice.  
The Board is charged with assuring safe & ethical delivery of occupational therapy services.

**The next Board meeting** will be held on **Monday Feb. 1, 2016** at the Portland State Office Building, 800 NE Oregon Street, Room 445. Contact the Board office for the Agenda.

**Renewals start March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016:** Be sure we have your current contact information. We will send a letter to your last known address. All renewals are done online. There will be a link on the OTLB home page.

If you **do not plan to renew** please let us know. We will mark your file as **Not Renewing** and you will stop receiving reminders.

**New CE rule:** If you have been licensed over 3 years and are currently NBCOT certified when you renew - you are fine with your CE. Confirm the **date of your certification** from your certification document or go to <https://my.nbcot.org/OnlineCredentialVerification/>. You will need this date when you go to renew.

If you just obtained your NBCOT certification in the last year, you do not need CE for the first year. For those who passed in 2013, you need to have 15 CE points.

**Renewal questions:** When you renew you will need to report any charges, convictions, abuse of alcohol or controlled substances, disciplinary investigations, or conditions which could impede your ability to practice safely. If you have any questions feel free to contact Felicia Holgate. The Board runs LEDS (Law Enforcement Data Search) checks for each renewal.

### **One-time PAIN MANAGEMENT Requirement**



If you were licensed in the last two years and still need to complete this one-time legislative requirement, you can find information on the web site at [www.oregon.gov/otlb](http://www.oregon.gov/otlb) or here: [http://www.oregon.gov/otlb/Pages/CE.aspx#PAIN MANAGEMENT CE](http://www.oregon.gov/otlb/Pages/CE.aspx#PAIN_MANAGEMENT_CE).

Email [Nancy.Schuberg@state.or.us](mailto:Nancy.Schuberg@state.or.us) with the dates, name of class and hours and who it was given by. We can add the information on your data base and it will show as done when you renew.

### **Join your colleagues and meet your legislators at OTAO's Legislation Day!**

Tuesday Feb. 9 8am-5pm at the Oregon State Library – Members & Nonmembers welcome. For information see:

[https://otao.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com\\_mc&view=mc&mcid=72&eventId=496423&orgId=otao](https://otao.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_mc&view=mc&mcid=72&eventId=496423&orgId=otao)

### **OTAO request for input in the planning process of CCBHC.**

Your state Association OTAO is working on the grant planning process for the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC). The Occupational Therapy Association of Oregon (OTAO) is eager for the opportunity to provide input to improve access to quality behavioral health services for all Oregonians. OTAO is asking the stakeholder advisory group to consider including occupational therapists in their membership. This will enhance the planning process with valuable insights and expertise from those implementing CCBHC programming. This hands-on perspective will strengthen Oregon's ability to achieve the program goals of advancing integration of behavioral health with physical health care and improving the use of evidence-based practices.

Occupational therapists (OTs) are integral members of the Oregon mental health community and are uniquely positioned to provide insight into the planning grant process. OTs' primary goal is to provide client-centered care that promotes an individual's ability to thrive as independently as possible in their community. Because the OT focus is for client success in all areas of life including work, play, education, and self care skills, we can provide client based solutions to ensure the success of the CCBHC. OTs' depth and breadth of knowledge across many service settings (such as inpatient, outpatient, medical health, and mental health) as well as holistic approach to client centered care is an asset to the CCBHC planning process. OTAO is excited to be an active participant and share their expertise in the development of coordinated mental and physical health services to Oregonians in need.

### **Welcome Rachel Cillo!**

The Licensing Board has hired **Rachel Cillo** as the new part-time Licensing Specialist. She will handle all licensing for new applicants as well as name changes, address change and verifications.

## **Award and Thank you to Felicia Holgate!**

**Executive Director, Felicia Holgate** made a presentation at the OTA Conference about how the Board and licensing has changed in the last twelve years, since she started working for the Board, including doubling the number of licensees. As this is her last conference before she retires this June, the Licensing Board members presented her with a plaque thanking her for her 12 years of dedication to the Board and the profession of OT.



Felicia Holgate & Board Chair Linda Smith, Nancy Schuberg, Felicia Holgate  
Mashelle Painter Mashelle Painter & Sybil Hedrick Park (L to R)  
(Missing Board public members: Robert Bond and Juanita Shepherd).

## **Mentoring responsibilities and obtaining CE**

The Board was asked about obtaining CE credit for mentoring and the need to be sure those in isolated regions of the state can get good mentoring. Under Oregon CE rules you can obtain credit, but since your CE is fine when you renew if you are NBCOT certified, here is the information about mentoring under NBCOT guidelines:

<http://www.nbcot.org/assets/candidate-pdfs/practitioner-pdfs/mentoring-guidelines-log>

This includes guidelines, mentoring form, samples and evaluations for mentoring. Since the Oregon board adopted Telehealth rules, they can also be used to help with mentoring situations in distance situations when there are no local therapists available. Find more information about Telehealth on the home page of the web site at [www.oregon.gov/otlb](http://www.oregon.gov/otlb) at top center.

**CHECK THE WEB SITE** [www.oregon.gov/otlb](http://www.oregon.gov/otlb) for address change and name change forms.

Use the form on the web site or fax to 971-673-0226. We need a copy of the legal document showing a name change. You can scan and e-mail to [Nancy.Schuberg@state.or.us](mailto:Nancy.Schuberg@state.or.us). Make sure it shows exactly how the name reads and changes to address, e-mail, and telephone.

If you need license **verification** sent to another state, e-mail to [Nancy.Schuberg@state.or.us](mailto:Nancy.Schuberg@state.or.us) and give the exact address where it needs to be sent. There is No charge. We do not need their form. We will e-mail you back when it is done.

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