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OTAC expresses its sincere appreciation to the 2016 Annual Conference presenters and poster presenters for sharing their knowledge with our Conference attendees and for taking time away from their professional careers and personal lives to prepare for, travel to, and present at Conference. Their dedication to serving OTAC's mission to provide quality, timely, and cost effective professional development and by supporting OTAC through their personal membership is highly commendable. ***Please thank our presenters and poster presenters.***

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Alberto Alpasan, COTA/L, has been a practicing occupational therapy assistant for the past 18 years with extensive experience in adult physical disabilities. He is currently working in acute care and provides skilled occupational therapy (OT) intervention to patients with neurological disorders, complex medical conditions, traumatic injuries, and those admitted to the intensive care unit. He works closely with a large staff of OTs and provides mentorship in splinting, taping, and adaptive techniques and equipment. He has been working in collaboration with David Leary, PhD, OTR/L, for the past 15 years.

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Ivan Altamura, JD, served as chief of staff to two Assembly republican leaders in the California Legislature for nearly a decade. His extensive public policy and political experience enables Altamura to expertly navigate clients through the legislative and regulatory process on a wide spectrum of issues.

In the Assembly, Altamura was responsible for providing strategic advice, steering Caucus policy positions, leading republican political efforts through four campaign cycles, and providing tactical counsel to Assembly republican leaders, Connie Conway (R-Tulare) and Mike Villines (R-Fresno), as well as caucus members. In this role, Altamura was also responsible for direct interaction and collaboration with numerous stakeholders and interest groups to find and build consensus on a broad range of policy matters. In the Legislature, Altamura established and solidified his strong working relationships with elected government officials, lobbyists, and interest groups solving complex and difficult policy issues.

Following his time in the Legislature, Altamura was the director of engagement for Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E). He was also campaign manager for Mike Villines for Insurance Commissioner 2010. Prior to his government relations and political career, Altamura was in private practice as an attorney, focusing on business, estate, civil, and real estate law.

Altamura graduated from Fresno State University with a bachelor's degree in criminology and earned his Juris Doctorate from San Joaquin College of Law in Fresno, California.

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Kelly Andrasik, MOT, OTR/L, SWC, is passionate about working with medically fragile infants and their families. She serves as the primary occupational therapy practitioner in the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford. She received both her undergraduate and master's degrees in occupational therapy from the University of Florida. Andrasik has her Advanced Practice in Swallowing Assessment, Evaluation, and Intervention by CBOT and is also a certified infant massage instructor. In addition to her clinical work, Andrasik is also passionate about teaching others, sharing her ideas and knowledge at venues such as the Occupational Therapy Association of California's Annual Conference, Dominican University's Masters of Occupational Therapy program, the National Association of Neonatal Therapists' Annual Conference, and Coast Allied Health, where she teaches full-day courses to other healthcare professionals.

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Megan Armstrong, OTD, OTR/L, CLT, received her doctorate and master's degrees at the USC Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy. Armstrong has presented at the OTAC Annual Conference and the AOTA National Conference on compassion fatigue with focused studies on professional quality of life. She currently practices at UCSF Medical Center in acute inpatient care.

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Asha Asher, MA, OTR/L, SCSS, FAOTA, M Ed (Special Education), has provided school-based therapy services for 38 years in four countries (United States, Canada, Belgium, and India), and worked as a part-time lecturer. Asher has several publications and has presented internationally, nationally, and locally on topics pertaining to school-based therapy; this includes a Fulbright fellowship as a visiting lecturer to South Asia. She serves on the editorial board of *The American Journal of Occupational Therapy* and the *Journal of Occupational Therapy in Schools & Early Intervention*. Asher has volunteered for AOTA with the Developmental Disabilities Special Interest Section, the Autism Task Force, and the School System Specialty Certification panel. She is currently on the Roster of Evaluators, Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education, AOTA.

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Anna Berezin, MS, OTR/L, is a graduate of Boston University (Master of Science in Occupational Therapy), Sargent College and has practiced primarily in pediatric and school-based settings since the late 1980s. She holds a dual credential as a Music Therapist, Board Certified (Bachelor of Music).
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Steve Berezin, MBA, has a bachelor's in microbiology, and an MBA (UCI, 1998). He works in technical sales for health-related products. What started as an antique birthday gift became a passion, hobby, and business in 3-D photography. Berezin is a past president of the Los Angeles 3-D Club and currently serves as the Club's 3-D news editor.
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Erna Imperatore Blanche, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA, received her basic training in occupational therapy at the University of Chile (Santiago, Chile) and later earned her Master of Arts in Special Education at Columbia University. She received her PhD degree in occupational science at the University of Southern California. She is an expert in pediatric occupational therapy and interventions based on occupational science. She has co-authored two books, "Understanding the Nature of Sensory Integration with Diverse Populations" and "Observations Based on Sensory Integration," and one video series, "Combining Neurodevelopmental Treatment and Sensory Integration Principles," on pediatric practice. She has published numerous articles in English and Spanish on the topics of play, wellness, and other issues in clinical practice, which have appeared in numerous publications, as well as in pediatric textbooks. Blanche has lectured in more than 20 countries.
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Kelly Bloom, MA, OTR/L, is an occupational therapy practitioner at Los Angeles Unified School District. She is Sensory Integration and Praxis Tests (SIPT) certified and has advanced training in Ayres Sensory Integration theory and practice. She is experienced in research studies using the Sensory Protocol and the feasibility of applying and measuring impacts of Ayres Sensory Integration. Bloom was the project manager for product evaluation measuring the impact of innovative seating for classrooms. She currently provides additional support to therapists throughout the Los Angeles Unified school district in applying Ayres Sensory Integration in classroom and therapy room settings.
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Deborah J. Bolding, PhD, OTR/L, works in the Community Outreach and Injury Prevention Program at Stanford Healthcare, working with older adults in their homes, and teaching Stepping On in the community. She is an assistant professor at San José State University.

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Ellen Bustamante, MA, CCC-SLP, is a speech-language pathologist currently working at Casa Colina Hospital and Centers for Healthcare in Children's Services. She specializes in treating pragmatic language disorders and dysphasia.

Bustamante has worked alongside occupational therapy practitioners in a traditional social skills group and has created a curriculum targeting pragmatic language that complements occupational therapy objectives. In addition, she was heavily involved in research design to investigate the use of LEGO® construction in a group therapy setting to target pragmatic language and social skills. Following completion of this research, she helped create and run an ongoing interdisciplinary OT/ST program using construction tasks to improve social skills in children with pragmatic language disorders.

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Michelle Chan, OTS, obtained her Bachelor of Science in Public Health Sciences from University of California, Irvine in 2010.

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Caitlin Chaney, MA, OTR/L, is an occupational therapy doctoral resident at Keck Medical Center of USC gaining clinical expertise in acute and critical care. The focus of her residency is expanding the role of occupational therapy in the continuum of care for patients of the USC Spine Center and the Geriatric Assessment Program.

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Ally Chang, OTS, is a second-year student in the Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy at the University of Southern California. As part of her merit-based scholarship, Chang is currently assisting Natalie Leland, OTD, OTR/L, in her research on occupational therapy's role in fall prevention for older adults in post-acute settings. Her clinical area of interest is in adult rehabilitation. She is expected to graduate in 2017.

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Megan Chang, PhD, OTR/L, earned her PhD in Occupational Science, Master of Science in Applied Biostatistics and Epidemiology, Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy from the University of Southern California, as well as a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy from the National Cheng Kung University in Taiwan. She completed a clinical training program and received certification in the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS). Her research interests include using psychophysiological approaches to study sensory processing, emotion, and cognition as well as examining psychosocial and physiological risk factors associated with health-related behaviors and occupations in various populations. She has clinical experience in a variety of settings including her most recent work in the fields of physical dysfunction and pediatrics. She is a Statistical Analysis Software (SAS) programmer and has worked several years as a biostatistician. Inspired by her previous mentors, she is passionate about teaching future therapists not only to improve their skills but also to actively engage in research activities in order to collaboratively strengthen the knowledge base of occupational therapy.

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Annie Chen, OTS, is an MSOT student at Stanbridge College in Irvine, California. She was inspired to join the profession after witnessing the impact of occupational therapy on her loved ones, particularly with post-stroke intervention. As a future occupational therapy practitioner, Chen hopes to offer the same impact to her clients through client-centered, meaningful therapeutic activities.

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Katherine Chen, OTR/L, is currently a master's program student at the Mrs. T.H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at the University of Southern California. She received her Bachelor of Science in occupational therapy at National Taiwan University in Taipei, Taiwan. She is interested in applying concepts from the ergonomic and the Lifestyle Redesign® courses at USC into future work with the pediatric population and their caregivers. She is also passionate about finding ways to connect the global network of occupational therapy practitioners. She has helped develop the Summer Occupational Therapy Immersion program as well as other international exchange programs at USC with the *Global Initiatives* team.

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Karina Cheuk, MOT, OTR/L, is a graduate of Samuel Merritt University and a native San Franciscan who has an extensive community nonprofit history prior to becoming an occupational therapy practitioner. She has demonstrated the same ambition and passion for occupational therapy as she has for the community in which she lives. Cheuk started her occupational therapy career in 2010 in acute care at California Pacific Medical Center where she continues to practice.

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Remy Chu, Jr., MHA, OTR/L, has been working at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center since 2000. He is currently the inpatient clinical manager for the following services: stroke and neurorehabilitation; brain injury; spinal cord injury; pressure ulcer management; and pediatrics. Chu also serves as the program manager for Rancho's robotic center. He is an adjunct instructor of clinical occupational therapy at USC. In addition to clinical and educational settings, he is also actively involved in research on topics including Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation, microstimulators, and stem cells. Chu is certified in Neuro-IFRAH with formal recognition as a Certified Neuro-IFRAH Instructor.

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Kelsie Colombini, OTS, obtained her Bachelor of Science in Community Health Sciences with a minor in Human Development and Family Studies from the University of Nevada, Reno in 2014. She has been a member of Pi Theta Epsilon honor society since spring of 2015 and is currently serving as the society's vice president.

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Rebecca Cunningham, OTR/L, received her Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy from the University of Southern California (USC) in 2015, and is currently pursuing her Doctorate of Occupational Therapy at the USC Occupational Therapy Faculty Practice. She plans to focus her doctoral work on the Lifestyle Redesign® program for individuals with multiple sclerosis. Cunningham received a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and a minor in Human Development from the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) in 2008. Before returning to school in 2013, she served as the manager of the Developmental Cognitive and Social Neuroscience Lab in the UCSD psychology department.

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Carlin Daley, OTD, OTR/L, MA.Ed, graduated from USC with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, a master's degree in occupational therapy, and a clinical Doctorate of Occupational Therapy. Daley also completed her Master of Arts in Educational Psychology from Pepperdine University. As a doctoral resident at the USC Occupational Therapy Faculty Practice, she developed the Lifestyle Redesign® Office Wellness Program, focused on creating a healthier quality of life for professionals in the workplace. Upon graduation, Daley served as the assistant director of wellness initiatives within USC's Division of Career and Protective Services where she worked to improve the health and wellbeing of USC employees including the campus police. She currently teaches in both the undergraduate and graduate programs of the Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy and works clinically with college students through the USC Kortschak Center for Learning and Creativity. She is passionate about helping people find more health, happiness, and meaning in their everyday lives. Daley is also a professional dancer, and certified Pilates and yoga instructor, as well as a graduate of Loyola Marymount University's Yoga Therapy RX Certificate Program.

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Akemi Davies, MA, OTR/L, began her occupational therapy career in 2004 and currently practices in Orange County. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Occupational Therapy and Minor in Psychology from Dominican University of California and her occupational therapy master's from the University of Southern California. Davies specialized in pediatric practice and is certified in the administration of the Sensory Integration and Praxis Tests (SIPT). Her professional interests and passions include continuing her education in Sensory Integration, feeding therapy, and developmental models such as the *Developmental, Individual-Difference, and Relationship-Based* (DIR) model. Beyond treatment, Davies enjoys being a clinical instructor, participating in conferences, and volunteering. She has presented workshops about developing parent education programs at both AOTA and OTAC conferences. As a leader in OTAC, Davies is the current OTAC treasurer.

***Get Oriented! Navigating Conference - Thursday, October 27, 2016, 6:00pm-7:00pm and Friday, October 28, 2016, 7:30am-8:15am
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Jessica De Brun, OTD, MOT, OTR/L, is an occupational therapy practitioner specializing in early childhood trauma and early intervention. She is on the faculty of the Department of Occupational Therapy at Loma Linda University where she teaches pediatric analysis and intervention as well as occupational science. Her clinical practice is for the Screening, Assessment, Referral and Treatment (SART) program at Victor Community Support Services in San Bernardino, California, and West End Family Counseling in Ontario, California. She completed her Doctorate in Occupational Therapy with an emphasis on early-childhood development and the impact from exposure to domestic violence on early childhood occupations within the confines of a domestic violence shelter. De Brun's passion is supporting advocacy for young children and the need for increased early intervention services within the community. She is a domestic violence advocate and currently conducts programming within local shelters promoting maternal/child co-occupational experiences and early-childhood development.

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Judy Delaware, OTR/L, has over 32 years of extensive experience in both geriatric and pediatric patients, both institutional and in homes. She has published a number of books, including “Management of Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis.” Delaware is also a well-known feeding expert.

She has taught many classes to other practitioners, including:

- Sensory Evaluation of the Geriatric Hand.
- Goniometric Evaluation of the Geriatric Hand
- Pediatric Occupational Therapy in Home Health Care
- How to Save Your Back and Avoid a Lawsuit
- The Role of Occupational Therapy in Home Health Care
- Arthritis: Evaluation and Treatment
- Topics in Upper Extremity Management
- OT/PT Management in the Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis Patient
- Occupational Therapy Services in Home Care

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Louie Delaware, MBA, BSME, CLIPP™, is one of the founders of the Living In Place Institute. As a technically-driven engineer, general contractor, and home accessibility and safety expert, Delaware is always looking to see how individuals can Live In Place with electronic adaptive technologies to make their lives easier, more accessible, and safer.

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Celso Delgado, Jr., OTD, OTR/L, serves as an appointed faculty at the University of Southern California's (USC) University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. His role has been to integrate and provide mental health occupational therapy services in the full service partnership (FSP) program, which is a model designed to benefit children and families experiencing significant emotional, psychological, or behavioral challenges that interfere with their wellbeing. The area that he serves is the East Los Angeles region, which is an area that has historically been saturated with Latino culture. Delgado is also a clinical instructor of the Mental Health Practice Immersion at USC's occupational therapy entry-level professional educational program.

Fun Run/Walk, Saturday, October 29, 2016, 6:45am-7:30am

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Megan R. Dominguez, OTS, is a second-year Master of Science student in occupational therapy at California State University Dominguez Hills. Her cultural background and focus on community service and development led her to become the co-founder and co-president of Integrating Cultures through Occupational Therapy (ICOT), an award-winning student-led organization that in its first year of inception successfully created a permanent international fieldwork site for its program by initiating a partnership with Push International. ICOT has already facilitated two Level I Fieldwork trips to Mazatlan, Mexico. She is also the recipient of this year's Frank J. Biehl Opportunity Scholarship awarded by the California Foundation for Occupational Therapy (CFOT). Dominguez received her Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology from California State University Northridge. Her clinical area of interests lies in child and adolescent neurological and physical disabilities.

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Catherine Dorr, MS, OTR/L, currently serves as a full-time occupational therapy practitioner within the Polytrauma Network System (PNS) at the Department of Veteran Affairs treating veterans and active duty military with moderate to profound brain injuries and amputations. She is also a current doctoral candidate at the University of Southern California's Mrs. T.H. Chan School of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy developing a standardized practice and protocol for the use of canine facilitated interventions in occupational therapy. Additionally, Dorr has been a certified assistance dog trainer and instructor since 2006 and has lectured nationally and internationally on the benefits of assistance dogs and canine facilitated interventions for individuals with profound injuries, illnesses, and disabilities. Dorr has been recognized for her contributions to the field of patient-centered care as a Jefferson Award recipient, a Philadelphia Health Hero finalist, and by a commendation from the Pennsylvania State Senate.

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Karen Duddy, MHA, OTD, OTR/L, earned a Doctorate in Occupational Therapy from Boston University, a Master of Science in Healthcare Administration from California State University Long Beach, and a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy from University of Southern California. Her doctoral project focused on integrating occupational therapy in primary care at the VA Long Beach including development of an occupation-based self-management

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workshop for veterans with chronic conditions. Duddy's clinical practice has been with adolescents and adults in mental health settings, and with adults and geriatric populations in acute care, inpatient rehabilitation, adult day health care, and outpatient hand therapy. She is currently the supervisor of the occupational therapy department at the VA Long Beach, where she has been employed since 2002. Duddy became a Certified Lean Six Sigma Black Belt (CLSSBB) and leads VA teams in value stream analysis and Lean process improvement events. She is currently conducting research as the co-investigator for the comprehensive program evaluation of the VA Everyday Matters workshop. She has published in the textbook *Occupational Therapy Essentials for Clinical Competence, 3rd edition (2016)*.
Movie Night Moderator for Wartorn, Thursday, October 27, 6:30pm to 8:00pm



Bryant Edwards, OTD, OTR/L, MPH, CEAS, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a Minor in Exercise Science (1998); Master of Public Health (2001); Master of Arts, Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science (2005); and a Doctorate of Occupational Therapy (USC in 2006). His experience began as a behaviorist/health educator, lab instructor, and occupational therapy practitioner for an outpatient pediatric clinic and in a school setting; and is currently an occupational therapy manager at the Children's Hospital Los Angeles. Edward's clinical areas of interest are pediatrics and education/teaching. In 2015, he earned his Board Certification in Pediatrics through the American Occupational Therapy Association. Edwards also serves the Occupational Therapy Association of California, where he has been secretary since July 2013; co-chair, Professional Development & Leadership Committee (March 2010 – June 2013); co-chair, Annual Conference (October 2011); and co-chair, Annual Conference (October 2012).

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Shari Emas, OTD, OTR/L, is an instructor and thesis advisor in the MSOT program at Stanbridge College in Irvine, CA. She has practiced occupational therapy in the pediatric setting for over three decades and currently works in early intervention and special education programs. In addition to her clinical and academic endeavors, she has taught yoga classes for children with special needs in her community. Emas' current research interests are in the lived experience of older adults and aging in place.

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Domenique Embrey, MS, OTR/L, has been an occupational therapy practitioner for 26 years. She has been an adjunct professor at Samuel Merritt for the last five years and joined the fieldwork team in 2015. Her teaching focus has been in the pediatric and adult-neuro community clinics at Samuel Merritt. She has a private practice in Fremont California and is currently working on her Doctorate in Occupational Therapy through St. Catherine University.

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Brenda Fagan, BS, OTR/L, is a licensed and registered occupational therapy practitioner with over 10 years of clinical experience in direct patient care and rehabilitation management. She has managed rehabilitation providers from a variety of disciplines across the continuum of care in multiple areas of practice including acute hospital, in-patient rehabilitation, skilled nursing, long-term care, out-patient, hand therapy, and acute geriatric psychiatry. Fagan has significant experience leading quality improvement projects, as well as providing training and education incorporating evidence into practice. She is currently working as a project manager supporting the research of Natalie Leland, OTD, OTR/L, “Identifying Patient-Centered Fall Prevention Care Process in Hip Fracture Rehabilitation,” at the University of Southern California Mrs. T.H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry, Los Angeles, California.

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Vanessa Fong, OTS, is an occupational therapy student at the University of Southern California. She received her bachelor’s from the University of California Irvine in biological sciences and is a native of San Francisco. Before pursuing her occupational therapy education, she lived in Seoul, South Korea, for two years, where she taught English and enjoyed Korean culture. Her international experiences inspired her to become a part of the USC Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy *Global Initiatives*, which has allowed her to work with and learn from international occupational therapy students and faculty from all over the world. She is excited to pursue a career that encourages and benefits from continuous exploration of various cultures.

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Nicole Foster is an energetic, inquisitive young woman who is passionate about education. She uses technology daily to accomplish most tasks in her life, enriching her education and social interactions. Foster offers a rich, poignant, first-hand insight into the adolescent and young adult experience. She currently attends California Polytechnic University at San Luis Obispo and is active in church, tutoring students struggling with math up to calculus, and community service. She has led workshops for military teenagers promoting resilience and stress management. She is the president of the California Scholarship Federation for her school, and a National Honor Society member. She dreams of attending college to become an occupational therapy practitioner and a military officer.
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Stephanie M. Foster, PhD, OTR/L, centers her passion on children and families with a variety of special needs. She has been an occupational therapy practitioners since 1991 and currently owns and operates Kid's Work, a private practice that specializes in working with families and children with sensory processing disorders. Her passion is to assist families in understanding self-regulation and to help children function without medication. Foster completed her Bachelor of Science from Tufts University in occupational therapy, and her Master of Science from Boston University in pediatric occupational therapy in 1994. Here she completed a fellowship on the efficacy of occupational therapy in the schools, and became certified on the Sensory Integration and Praxis Tests (SIPT). She completed her PhD in prenatal and perinatal psychology from the Chicago School of Psychology (Santa Barbara Graduate Institute) in 2011.
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Kimberly Fragola, OTS, is an MSOT student at Stanbridge College in Irvine, CA. She is a member of the Stanbridge Student Occupational Therapy Association, and holds the position of treasurer on the executive board. Fragola also volunteers as student leader for a community program with Life College, a school for young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder, where she helps to develop and implement teaching strategies to increase the student's independence. Fragola received her Bachelors of Arts in Sociology in 2010 at California State University, Fullerton (CSUF). As an undergraduate at CSUF she held leadership positions including program director for a non-profit organization, Camp Titan, and the vice president of recruitment for the Panhellenic Council.

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Her work experience includes working as a behavioral interventionist for children with autism, coordinator of a YMCA recreational program for adults with special needs, and most currently as community outing facilitator with Life College.
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Judith Freeman, MA, OTR/L, has over 30 years of experience working in pediatrics, with the last 15 years focused on feeding. Experience with a wide variety of challenges and environments has produced a variety of treatment approaches. Freeman particularly enjoys the role of collaborator with and supporter for parents as they journey towards success in their own child's feeding goals.

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Joyce M. Fries, MS OTR/L, is a graduate of Quinnipiac University class of 1987. She moved to California in 1989 and worked at Cedars-Sinai as well as Casa Colina in the Los Angeles area. In 1993 Fries traveled to England and worked there as an occupational therapy practitioner for one year. Following that she sailed the Aegean Sea for another year before returning to California. She is a graduate of San Jose State University where she completed her post-professional master's degree in 2003. She then spent 14 years at Scripps Mercy Hospital, working in each area including trauma, ICU, behavioral health, and more. Fries established and maintained the clinical fieldwork program and coordinated all student placements for OTR and OTA students for over 10 years. Currently she is the academic fieldwork coordinator for Grossmont College OTA program in east San Diego.

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Elizabeth Gomes, MS, OTR/L, is currently a regional manager for northern California for Burger Rehabilitation. She had served as the chair or co-chair of the OTAC Practice, Ethics and Reimbursement Committee for OTAC for almost six years. Gomes is also an expert witness for the California Board of Occupational Therapy (CBOT). Since 2012 she has volunteered with the California Partnership to Improve Dementia Care and currently serves as leader for the education work group. She has served as a consultant in legal cases related to occupational therapy. Gomes has worked for over 25 years as an occupational therapy practitioner in the area of geriatrics, including program development and extensive training of OTs, PTs, and speech pathologists in the areas of dementia, documentation, falls and

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balance, and other areas necessary for the wellbeing of seniors, as well as Medicare compliance.

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Tricia Gomez, president of Dance – In a Box Publishing, is considered a pioneer in pre-school and elementary Hip Hop education, often daring to go where others thought impossible. Her unique Hip Hop teaching methods have landed her on the Dr. Phil Show as their dance expert and as the head judge of the CBS TV series “Dance Revolution,” which was loosely based on her product Hip Hop In a Box. Her philosophy on teaching kid’s Hip Hop has made her the subject of countless articles in dance and fitness magazines across the USA, Canada, and Australia. Gomez has been a sought-after presenter and speaker in the dance education industry for the past decade. She is the founder and former owner of HYPE Studios Cultural Arts Center and is currently a contracted teaching artist for the Disney Performing Arts Program at Disneyland. Gomez’s Hip Hop Made Easy Curriculum is currently offered in over 2100 schools and dance studios across the world. A few of her credits include dancing for the Los Angeles Laker Girls, Universal Dance Association, Disneyland, Disneyfest Asia, Universal Studios, Knott’s Berry Farm and choreographing for Saved By the Bell, the Laker Girls, the Clipper’s Spirit Dance Team, the Portland Trail Blazers Dancers, and Disney’s Christmas Day Parade. She was awarded the Viewer’s Choice Dance Instructional Video of the Year on DanceMedia.com! Gomez travels the world certifying new and experienced dance teachers and therapists for the Rhythm Works Integrative Dance program for kids with individual learning differences.

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Don Gordon, PhD, OTR/L., has been studying behavior for more than 30 years. His studies began in 1980 at the University of California Santa Cruz where he researched animal behavior and psychobiology, attaining a degree in Biology in 1984. After graduating with a second degree in English literature in 1989 he attended the University of Southern California, graduating with a Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy in 1994. Gordon would then go on to work in psychiatry, physical rehabilitation, and acute care while engaging in his doctoral studies in occupational science, completing his PhD in 2002. Since 2000, he has worked in both physical disabilities and psychiatric settings, providing him with a unique experiential background to understand the intersection of the world of mental health with physical disabilities practice. Gordon has also taught a wide

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variety of classes for the University of Southern California Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy. He is currently on the faculty at the University of Southern California department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy where he teaches and works in inpatient psychiatry and acute care.

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Kimberly Carter Grenawitzke, OTD, OTR/L, SWC, CBIS, attended USC for her undergraduate degree and completed her Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy in 2009. After completing her internship at Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA), she joined the acute team. In addition, she has worked in CHLA's inpatient rehabilitation and outpatient settings, including the orthopedic hand clinic. Her areas of interest include swallowing disorders, the introduction of solid foods in infants, acute splinting and casting, and complex pediatric trauma. Grenawitzke has spoken locally and nationally on topics including feeding and swallowing, disaster preparedness in pediatrics, and pediatric trauma. She is an expert in the neurobiology of swallowing and dysphagia and offers a two-day educational workshop for clinicians working towards California Swallowing Certification. She completed her Doctorate of Occupational Therapy at USC in 2014 with a focus on adult learning and clinical mentoring of doctoral students.

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Michelle Gross, CCC-SLP, is a graduate of the University of Redlands, Department of Communicative Disorders. Throughout the last 30 years, she has worked extensively with the early intervention (0-3 year-old) population, in private practice, with the Screening Assessment Referral and Treatment Program/Victor Community Support Services, and as adjunct faculty teaching clinical and diagnostic coursework for undergraduates, as well as graduate level students. Gross particularly enjoys working in the transdisciplinary setting with colleagues from related professions, providing both assessment and treatment services, while utilizing the transdisciplinary team model of service provision for clients and their families.

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Elizabeth Haas, MS, OTR/L (Colorado), has been a pediatric occupational therapy practitioner for 18 years and is currently the director of occupational therapy for PresenceLearning, a provider of telehealth services. Residing in the mountains of rural Colorado, Haas has over two years of experience providing occupational therapy treatment via the telehealth model. She has successfully delivered thousands of occupational therapy sessions online to children from east coast to west coast.

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Ashley Halle, OTD, OTR/L, is assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy and coordinator of primary care residency and services at University of Southern California (USC). Her roles at USC include providing direct patient care in primary care, creating and supporting ongoing efforts in primary health care environments, establishing the role of occupational therapy on various interprofessional projects, and teaching in the master's level program.

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Briana Pollard Hamil, OTD, OTR/L, SWC, CLE, CIMI, has 13 years of experience as a pediatric occupational therapy practitioner. She has spent the past eight years working at Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA) on the outpatient therapy team. Her areas of expertise include pediatric feeding and swallowing, lactation support, infant mental health, and sensory processing. She has developed several programs to meet the needs of the families and children that she serves. She is involved with research studies at CHLA and has presented at national and international conferences.

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Goli Hashemi, MPH, OTR/L, has been a US and Canadian occupational therapy practitioner since 2001. She joined Samuel Merritt University in 2012, as an assistant professor and academic fieldwork coordinator. Her PhD in public health is focused on disability and access to health and rehabilitation in low-income countries.

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Jennifer Hayter, MA, OTR/L, SWC, CLT-LANA, currently holds the position of director of rehabilitation services at the City of Hope National Medical Center. She serves on the Stanbridge College Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy Advisory Board. She is a Lymphology Association of North America Certified Lymphedema Therapist, an Oncology Rehab Partners Survivorship Training and Rehabilitation Certified Clinician, and she holds advanced practice in swallowing, evaluation, and intervention through CBOT. She received her Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy from the University of Southern California, a Bachelor of Music in Flute Performance, and a Bachelor of Science in Arts Administration from the University of Tampa. Prior to becoming an occupational therapy practitioner, she held leadership positions managing 1,000+ volunteer corps for the Chicago Theatre and the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center.

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Kristen Henderson, OTS, obtained her Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology, with a concentration in Exercise Science, from Sonoma State University in 2013. She has been a member of Pi Theta Epsilon honor society since spring of 2015 and is currently serving as the society's secretary.

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Rebecca Heymann, OTD, OTR/L, is an assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy at University of Southern California. She has a passion for getting people of all abilities outside, which she has done both professionally and personally—by dog sled in negative 30 degree weather, by kayak and canoe on rivers and on lakes, and by foot in canyons, mountains, and parks. Heymann enjoys working as a pediatric occupational therapy practitioner with families of diverse socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds.

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Sherry Hite, MOT, OTR/L, is the occupational therapy department supervisor at City of Hope National Medical Center, one of the leading National Cancer Institute-designated Comprehensive Cancer Centers in the U.S. Her practice is focused exclusively on the oncology setting, and she is a frequent speaker on the crucial and expanding role of occupational therapy in oncology. Hite manages doctoral-level research and quality improvement projects, some of which have resulted in the development of new and unique occupational therapy interventions. She earned her Master of Occupational

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Therapy, *summa cum laude*, and her Bachelor of Science in Health Science, *cum laude*, from Loma Linda University. She was one of 13 individuals selected from a nation-wide pool of competing candidates to participate in the first AOTA Leadership Development Program for Middle Managers, September, 2011.

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Jess Holguin, OTD, OTR/L, is an assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy at the University of Southern California. He is an expert clinician, with 20 years of experience, providing neurological rehabilitation, as well lecturing on topics such as neurocognitive function and neuroplasticity.

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Judy Hopkins, OTD, OTR/L, SWC, CLE, has 20 years of experience as an occupational therapy practitioner specializing in pediatric feeding and swallowing in medically complex children. She works at Children's Hospital Los Angeles on the acute team. Her areas of expertise include pediatric feeding and swallowing, modified barium swallow studies, lactation support, and high risk infant and critical care. Hopkins has developed several innovative programs to meet the needs of children with chronic illness. She is a frequent presenter at state and national conferences and is passionate about working with children with feeding disorders. Hopkins enjoys sharing her medical knowledge and intervention strategies with occupational therapy practitioners and other professionals to equip them to bring children from diagnosis to dinnertime.

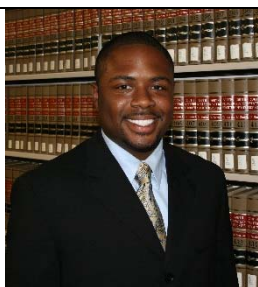
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Lena Huang, OTD, OTR/L, has been working for Rancho Research Institute (RRI) located at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (RLANRC) since 2014. She is currently the lead OTR/L for major clinical research projects at RRI. She previously completed her Doctorate in Occupational Therapy in 2013 at University of Southern California (USC). Her OTD residency was based in two Los Angeles County safety net hospitals (RLANRC and LAC+USC Medical), where her focus was providing a voice for occupational therapy in a Los Angeles County brain injury clinic. She has since been developing her clinical skills in occupational therapy for stroke rehabilitation.

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Bryan E. Hull, JD, MPH, is a healthcare professional and attorney. His career has spanned the healthcare spectrum from administration in the VA system to hospital risk management and compliance at Johns Hopkins Medical Center in Baltimore, MD. As manager for coding and payment policy at AOTA, he is in charge of all healthcare coding educational activities for AOTA's Policy Division and advocates for fair coding and reimbursement policies with CMS, private payers, and other third party payers. He earned his Bachelor in Science from Stony Brook University, Master of Public Health from Drexel University, and Juris Doctor from the University of Maryland.
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Heather Javaherian-Dysinger, OTD, OTR/L, has been practicing in occupational therapy for 18 years. In 2004 she received her Doctorate in Occupational Therapy with a focus in domestic violence from Creighton University. Javaherian is currently an associate professor and program director of the Masters of Occupational Therapy Program at Loma Linda University. Her teaching emphasis involves research, evidence-based practice, education, community program development, and health promotion. She enjoys community practice, supervises interns at a domestic violence agency, and oversees various program development projects in domestic violence, lifestyle and health, and mental health. Javaherian has co-authored a position statement on domestic violence for the American Occupational Therapy Association and was among lead authors in other peer-reviewed and non-peer reviewed articles in education and end of life care. She and two colleagues recently opened *Roots Down*, a non-profit serving families who have experienced domestic violence.
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Cindy N. John, PhD, graduated from the University of California San Diego with a Bachelor of Arts in Cognitive Science and then received a PhD in Clinical Psychology from Loma Linda University. She completed the APA-accredited internship at Children's Hospital of Orange County with an emphasis in pediatric psychology. She also completed an APA-accredited, two-year fellowship at Children's Hospital Los Angeles USC University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD) with a specialization in pediatric psychology. During her fellowship, she developed a consultation and liaison program aimed at providing psychoeducation for parents of children on the Pediatric

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Oncology Unit and linking families to mental health services. John also has training and experience in using empirically-based practices, including the Child-Parent Psychotherapy model and the Incredible Years program. John is currently a staff psychologist at Children's Hospital Los Angeles and has been primarily involved in providing mental health services in the interdisciplinary Feeding Development clinic.

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Erik Johnson, OTR/L (Texas), currently serves as the chief medical officer for Operation Supply Drop, an organization that supports US and NATO service members across the spectrum of care. As an army occupational therapy practitioner for more than 10 years, Johnson was instrumental in the care for service members who had suffered devastating physical, cognitive and mental health injuries sustained during combat operations.

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Jerry Jordan, OTR/L, is proud to serve his profession and state professional association as the new OTAC-Political Action Committee chair. Jordan completed both his Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy at the University of Southern California. He will be completing his clinical doctorate in occupational therapy in December 2016. As a former founder and owner of several businesses, Jordan brings an entrepreneurial and innovative skill set to both his work as an occupational therapy practitioner and in his volunteer service.

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Karrie L Kingsley, OTD, OTR/L, is an assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy at the USC Mrs. T.H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy.

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Heather J. Kitching, OTD, OTR/L, practices as an independent contractor in home health care in the Los Angeles area. She is also a member of the fieldwork coordination team at California State University, Dominguez Hills. She has more than 24 years of experience in acute rehabilitation and, more recently, acute medical-surgical care. Kitching completed her clinical doctorate degree at the University of Southern California and has experience both in clinical teaching as well as classroom instruction. She has held many elected and appointed positions within the Occupational Therapy Association of California and is currently president of the Association.

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Irene Koolwijk, MD, MPH, is one of two developmental-behavioral pediatricians who are part of the Feeding Development Clinic at the USC Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD), a nationally recognized center and leader in the field of developmental disabilities. Koolwijk completed her pediatric residency training at the Cleveland Clinic in Ohio in 2009. She completed her Developmental-Behavioral fellowship training at Boston Children's Hospital in 2012, while simultaneously completing an MPH at the Harvard School of Public Health. Koolwijk then joined the USC faculty in 2012.

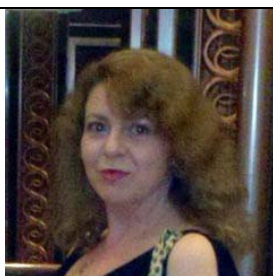
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Julie B. Kornbluth, MA, OTR/L, is a regional occupational therapy director for EBS Healthcare. Her responsibilities include mentoring and supporting therapists in school districts and early intervention programs throughout the United States mainland and Hawaii. Kornbluth is responsible for recruitment, training, and program development. She is actively involved in EBS United, leading therapy groups internationally, and has volunteered and worked in multiple countries independently. She has presented at local, state, and national conferences on school-based and cultural competency topics.

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Diana Gantman Kraversky, OTD, MS, OTR/L, AP, began her pediatric therapy career as a speech therapist with a Master of Science in Speech Pathology, Education and Child Development degree from Minsk State Pedagogical University in Belarus. Later, in the United States, she obtained her entry-level occupational therapy degree from the University of Pittsburgh and a Post-Professional Doctoral degree in Occupational Therapy from the Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions. Her extensive experience of working with infants, children, and adolescents spans diverse settings including the Children's Institute/Hospital of Pittsburgh, Glendale Adventist Medical Center, various private practice clinics, in-home early intervention settings, and school districts. Kraversky has worked in the capacity of an occupational therapy coordinator and supervised both administrative and therapeutic staff. She developed new treatment programs, such as a functional feeding program and group interventions in this area, a sensory-based handwriting program, sensory-based summer camps, and sensory motor preschool programs. She has served as a consultant for the occupational therapy center-based summer treatment groups, a camp program for children with special needs, and a primary care practice setting. She has experience in conducting clinical research and continuing education courses. Currently, she is teaching full-time in the MSOT program at West Coast University.

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Dragana Krpalek, PhD, OTR/L, is an occupational therapy practitioner and an assistant professor in the department of occupational therapy at Loma Linda University, California. She has taught across a range of courses, supervised masters, honors and doctorate projects, provided close clinical supervision, and worked across various interdisciplinary teams. She has provided occupational therapy services in Australia and Haiti and the US. Her current work focus is in primary care and health promotion.

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Amy Lamb, OTD, OTR/L (Michigan), is president of the American Occupational Therapy Association and a past chair of the American Occupational Therapy Political Action Committee (AOTPAC) from 2006-2012. She is an associate professor of occupational therapy at Eastern Michigan University, and owner of AJLamb Consulting. She brings with her the valuable combination of clinical practice as a licensed occupational therapy practitioner combined together with healthcare policy experience at the state and federal levels. Lamb's expertise includes health policy, prevention and wellness, and occupational therapy as a career.

Lamb received both her Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy and her post professional Doctor of Occupational Therapy from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska. Her clinical expertise spans from private practice, school-based pediatrics, acute care, and older adults. Her policy experience began in the Minnesota House of Representatives working with the Health Policy committee. She was then employed by the Nebraska Occupational Therapy Association as their registered lobbyist from 2000-2008.

In her volunteer leadership positions, Lamb is part of the team that helps occupational therapy professionals understand AOTA's policy and quality agendas. She is integral in articulating the distinct value of occupational therapy in traditional and emerging areas of practice including primary health care and wellness initiatives. Lamb works to help practitioners, students, educators and researchers identify their role as influencers of change in their daily work as we demonstrate the value of occupational therapy to enhancing the efficiency of systems we work within, enhancing the quality of care client's receive, and being a cost effective solution to meet the dynamic needs of the people, populations and communities we serve.

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Evelyn Law, OTS, is a second-year student in the Master of Occupational Therapy program at the University of Southern California (USC). She is currently volunteering for Dr. Natalie Leland, OTR/L, in her research to seek the best practices for fall prevention in older adults' post-acute care. Law is expected to complete the master's program in 2017 and hopes to continue directly to the doctorate occupational therapy program at USC, focusing on occupational therapy in the hospital setting.

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David A. Leary, PhD, OTR/L, has been an occupational therapy practitioner for over 25 years with experience in both clinical and academic settings. He has a passion for clinical education and mentorship and has taught at both the OTA and OT levels throughout his career. He has been most recently working in the acute care setting with special interest in patients with neurological conditions and complex medical/ICU patients. He has been working in collaboration with Alberto Alpasan for over 15 years.

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Carole Lee, MA, MS, OTR/L, SWC, CLE, is a pediatric occupational therapy practitioner, Certified Lactation Educator, Certified Dysphagia specialist, and Cranial Sacral and Shiatsu therapist. She holds a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy from Columbia University and a Master of Arts in Movement Therapy/Kinesiology from New York University. She has over 20 years of experience in the field of pediatric occupational therapy totaling 30 years in the field of rehabilitation. Early career achievements include developing a program of neuromuscular rehabilitation for musicians and dancers suffering from overuse syndrome in New York City. In 1996, after completing a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy, she worked at Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA). This brought her to the acute care setting working with complex medically involved babies and children. At CHLA, she specializes in the high-risk infant population, providing developmental treatment, feeding/swallowing, and lactation consultation. Currently she works part-time at CHLA in the acute care setting, provides in-home occupational therapy to the 0-3 population and is the consulting occupational therapy practitioner at Centro D Niño's Y Padre, an Early Intervention Program housed on the campus of Cal State Los Angeles. She is one of the founding members of the lactation program at CHLA and remains deeply passionate about breastfeeding and any other means of facilitating parent and infant bonding for a healthy social emotional foundation.

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Janice Lee, MA, OTR/L, is a graduate of the University of Southern California and started her career in 2013 in acute care at California Pacific Medical Center. She has quickly built a mature knowledge base and an interest in acute care practice while maintaining her commitment to community events and causes.

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Taejun "TJ" Lee, COTA/L, had a C4 - C5 incomplete spinal cord injury that left him partially paralyzed in his late teens. This led him to embrace technology to assist in his recovery. The support and guidance he received throughout his recovery is what projected Lee toward the occupational therapy field. With the firsthand knowledge and background in occupational therapy, he has since implemented the use of accessible apps, technology, and resources to better his life and others.

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Kimberly Perring Lenington, OTD, OTR/L, is a clinical faculty member at the USC Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy. Lenington completed her undergraduate degree in psychology at Chapman University followed by her master's degree and clinical doctorate degree at the University of Southern California. She is currently working at Keck Hospital of USC in acute inpatient services as well as teaching graduate coursework in wellness and clinical reasoning.

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Lisa J. Lewis, OTD, OTR/L, MACLP, CPAM, is a licensed occupational therapy practitioner and licensed marriage and family therapist in the state of California. She has earned a Clinical Doctorate in Occupational Therapy from the University of Southern California. Lewis also earned a Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology from Pepperdine University and is an independently licensed psychotherapist in the state of California. She recently became certified to use physical agent modalities with all populations, including children. In addition, she has received certified training to implement the following programs: PACE, The Alert Program, Handwriting Without Tears, The Zones of Regulation, S.C.E.R.T.S, The Incredible Years. Lewis has always had a passion for working with children and has finally realized her dream in combining her occupational therapy and psychotherapy experiences to encourage every child to reach their developmental potential.

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Jacqueline Lim, OTS, is a second-year occupational therapy student from Loma Linda University with level two fieldwork experience in a community-based setting. She assisted in the development of occupational therapy (OT) programs at a domestic violence shelter in San Bernardino under the supervision of Heather Javaherian-Dysinger, OTD, OTR/L. She received her bachelor's degree from CSU Northridge in child and adolescent development, and hopes to continue developing community OT programs in underserved areas.

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Chun Yen Lin, OTS, graduated from the University of California, Irvine in 2011 with a degree in cognitive psychology. She is currently a student in the Master of Science in Occupational Therapy program at Stanbridge College. Chun is an active member in the Stanbridge Student Occupational Therapy Association. She is currently working as a senior behavioral interventionist at the Children's Learning Connection, an early intervention clinic for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and/or developmental delays. Chun is a lead staff member for the Social Saturday program at the Children's Learning Connection, where she implements social interaction curriculum to increase children's social participation with peers in a controlled setting. She has a strong background in applied behavioral analysis and has a passion in working with children with special needs.

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Erik Listou, CLIPP, CAPS, CAASH, CGR, CGP, CR, LDST, is proud to be a senior and is passionate about providing safe and comfortable housing for everyone. Recognized by the housing industry with six national certifications and project and leadership awards, he blends almost five decades as a building professional with a focus on bringing awareness of home safety issues to the industry, as well as the general public. He has published countless articles and produced/hosted his own talk radio and TV shows. From design to body language to strategic planning, he is an energetic public speaker and knowledgeable consultant on housing and business topics. Currently he is co-authoring "How to Live in Place" as a resource for adults, individuals with disabilities and others who simply want to live in place. Listou holds the following certifications and accomplishments: Certified Living in Place Specialist™ (CLIPS), Certified Aging in Place Specialist (CAPS), Certified Active Adult Specialist in Housing (CAASH), Certified Graduate Remodeler (CGR), Certified Green Professional

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(CGP), Certified Remodeler (CR), Lead Dust Sampling Technician (LDST), Subject-Matter Expert for Carpentry Standards, Subject-Matter Expert for Project Management and Educational Licensee.
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Kathleen Lockyer, OTR/L, has been a licensed and board-certified occupational therapy practitioner for 20 years. She is a naturalist, herbalist, and mother of two teenage women. In 2003 she co-founded a local nonprofit dedicated to child development in the outdoors. She currently works for the public schools and is the founder of “Foundations IN Nature,” providing education, and trainings for bringing nature back to child development.
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Courtney Malachowski, OTS, obtained her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from University of San Diego in 2012.
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Heather Martin is the executive officer of the California Board of Occupational Therapy.
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Diane Mayfield, EdD, OTR/L, started her occupational therapy career after graduation from San Jose State University where she received her Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy. She obtained a Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy and a Doctorate in Education from the University of Southern California. She has been an occupational therapy practitioner for more than 20 years and has practiced in a wide variety of settings including physical rehabilitation, hand therapy, home health and psychiatric facilities. Mayfield has taught occupational therapy and has been the academic fieldwork coordinator at Santa Ana Community College-OTA Program and presently at CSUDH-MSOT Program. Her other accomplishments include: received the CFOT Humanitarian of the Year (2013), co-authored *Documentation: Integrating documentation throughout program curriculum*; developed a home modification brochure for Home Depot; developed an occupational therapy partnership with Rebuilding Together of Orange County; and co-founded of Access Life International (NPO).

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Sabrena McCarley, MBA-SL, OTR/L, CLIPP, RAC-CT, earned a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy and a Master in Business Administration-Strategic Leadership from Dominican University of California. She is currently employed as a director of clinical operations/clinical performance specialist with RehabCare and is responsible for therapist mentoring, training, program development, continuing education development, quality assurance, and regulatory support for 200 SNF/IL/AL facilities/rehab contracts in California, Nevada, Arizona, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Colorado, Indiana and New Mexico. She has been a guest faculty speaker at OTA and OT programs and has presented at state, national, and international conferences. She obtained her CarFit Instructor Certification in 2013 and has been a leader for CarFit Technician Trainings, CarFit Event Coordinator Trainings as well as CarFit events. In 2015 she obtained her Certified Living in Place Certification and is a member of the Living in Place Advisory Panel. She is actively involved with OTAC leadership and is chair of the OTAC Advocacy and Government Affairs Committee.

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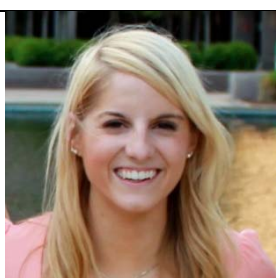
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Guy L. McCormack, MS, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA, served as a program director for over 14 years and as an occupational therapy faculty member, practitioner, and researcher for over 35 years. He is currently conducting research on children with autism. McCormack has published widely and presented numerous papers at state, national, and international professional conferences.

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Shannon McDowell, OTS, is currently a master's student at the Mrs. T.H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at the University of Southern California. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology and Environmental Sciences from the University of Notre Dame. Currently, she is a student worker in the Chan Division's *Global Initiatives*. She has helped develop and implement the Summer Occupational Therapy Immersion program, as well as provided support for an international exchange program with occupational therapy students from USC and South Korea. She is a student member of both AOTA and OTAC, and hopes to work in pediatric acute care in the future, with considerations for global implications in practice and collaboration.

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Denise M. Miller, MBA, OT/L, has over 20 years' experience in occupational therapy practice, consultation, education, and program and business development. She maintains a full-time director position at Glendale Adventist Medical Center in Glendale, California where she designed, developed, researched and implemented the Live Well (55+) Senior Program.

Miller was appointed in 2013 and re-appointed in 2015 by Governor Jerry Brown to the California License Board of Occupational Therapy where she is the president. Miller was also appointed by County Supervisor Michael Antonovich to serve on the Los Angeles County Community Prevention and Population Health Task Force. From 2011-2016, she was a city-council appointee of the Glendale Commission on the Status of Women, where she chaired the commission for three years. She was the Region 5 Director of the American Occupational Therapy Association Political Action Committee (AOTPAC) for two terms. She is an active member of the California (OTAC) and the American Occupational Therapy (AOTA) associations and has served in a variety of leadership roles in both associations. She has spent the last 14 years effectively lecturing and advocating for occupational therapy in the areas of

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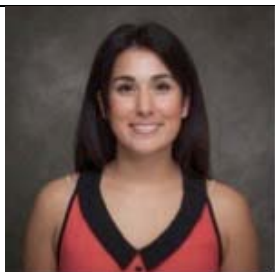
outpatient therapy, occupational medicine and now senior wellness. Currently, at Rocky Mountain University in Provo, Utah, she teaches an online doctoral (OTD) course about the context of advocacy, ethics, and the legal issues in Occupational Therapy practice. Miller earned a Bachelor of Arts in Occupational Therapy from the University of St. Catherine in St. Paul, Minnesota and a Master in Business Administration from La Sierra University in Riverside, California.

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Tessa Milman, OTD, OTR/L, teaches courses in the USC Division of Occupational Therapy and Occupational Therapy. In addition, she practices as an occupational therapy practitioner in mental health.

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Lia Montoya, OTS, is an occupational therapy student in the Master of Science program at Stanbridge College in Irvine, California, and is the representative for the Assembly of Student Delegates for Stanbridge Student Occupational Therapy Association. She has achieved a 4.0 GPA in her three completed terms at Stanbridge College. During two years as an undergraduate at San Diego State University she worked as a caretaker for a man with quadriplegia and has volunteered at several hospitals and rehabilitation centers assisting occupational therapy practitioners. As a future occupational therapy practitioner, Montoya is passionate about empowering individuals to reach their therapeutic goals.

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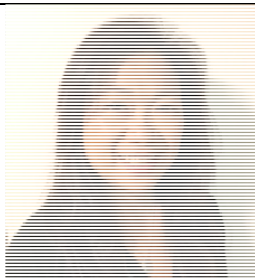


Vilma Munoz, LMFT, is a licensed marriage and family therapist at Victor Community Support Services. She is currently working in the Screening Assessment Referral and Treatment (SART) program where she works as part of a transdisciplinary assessment and evaluation team for young children exposed to adverse childhood events. Munoz also provides individual and family therapy, and runs several parenting groups that help caregivers better the quality of the relationship with their children. Munoz has been trained in Dyadic Art Therapy, Watch Wait and Wonder, and Infant Massage. She thrives on teamwork and thoroughly enjoys collaborating with the other disciplines in the SART program in order to meet the needs of her clients and their families. Her

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drive and her passion is working closely with children and their caregivers as well as learning different ways to help families.

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Tiffanie P. Muraoka, OTR/L, OTD, is a graduate of the University of Southern California and has practiced primarily in acute care since 2006 upon completion of her doctorate in occupational therapy. She started her career in 2005 working in outpatient, skilled nursing, acute rehabilitation, and acute care. Her experiences circled her back to focus on acute care practice where she continues to grow her knowledge and continues to advocate for occupational therapy in the acute care setting.

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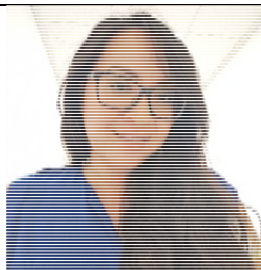


Patricia S. Nagaishi, PhD, MA, OTR/L, has 30 plus years of experience as an occupational therapy practitioner with expertise in early intervention (birth to five), evaluation and assessment of young children, autism spectrum disorder and developmental disabilities, sensory processing/self-regulation, and infant and early childhood mental health. She has worked in medical and community-based settings, and also has extensive knowledge of interdisciplinary assessment and training; evidence-based interventions; and the multiple California systems serving children and youth, as well as the laws and regulations under which these systems operate and affect occupational therapy practice, service delivery, and reimbursement. Currently, Nagaishi is in school-based practice as an occupational therapy specialist with the Preschool Assessment Team in the Pasadena Unified School District. Among her previous roles, she was an occupational therapy consultant with the South Central Los Angeles Regional Center for many years, and has also served on the faculty with the occupational therapy program at California State University, Dominguez Hills. Nagaishi recently completed two terms (2012-2016) as president of the Occupational Therapy Association of California (OTAC) and continues to chair the Autism Subcommittee of the OTAC Practice, Ethics & Reimbursement Committee, which reviews and monitors legislation and regulations related to autism issues and services, and their impact on occupational therapy practice; and makes recommendations for OTAC positions and actions in education and advocacy activities to ensure individuals with autism and their families have access to occupational therapy services and that OT practitioners are reimbursed by funding sources and payers. She also continues to work with the School-Based OT Subcommittee on an initiative for a credentialing process for

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occupational therapists and physical therapists in California public schools.

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Phuong Nguyen, OTD, OTR/L, CLT, Neuro-IFRAH Certified/Advanced, is an assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy at USC. In addition to teaching and providing direct patient care, she serves as assistant director of occupational therapy at Keck Medical Center of USC. Nguyen has diversified her clinical expertise to include critical care, edema/lymphedema care, neurorehabilitation, and primary care.
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Karen Ni, MA, OTR/L, received her bachelor's and master's in occupational therapy from the University of Southern California. She is pursuing her clinical doctorate in occupational therapy at USC and completing her residency at Dogwood Therapy Services, Inc. in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she incorporates animal-assisted therapy as a motivating therapeutic modality to achieve clients' goals. Ni has completed continuing education in dog handling, training and behavior, and in developing animal-assisted therapy programs. Ni and her canine co-therapist, Dottie, are dedicated to promoting their clients' independence and participation in meaningful activities.
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Dianne (Didi) Olson, OTR/L, for more than 35 years, has worked for Therapy Specialists, a private practice OT-owned company offering occupational therapy, physical therapy, and speech and language therapy to skilled nursing facilities, residential care facilities, and outpatient clinics throughout California. While there she has worn many hats, always remaining a practicing clinician. As vice president emeritus she enjoys working with the organization's management team on new business development and staff education.
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Jazminne Orozco, OTD, OTR/L, is an assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy and pediatrics at the University of Southern California. She is an appointed faculty at both USC UCEDD (University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities) and AltaMed General Pediatrics at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. Orozco is the clinical program director for the pediatric obesity programs at AltaMed CHLA, where she leads a multi-level healthy lifestyle intervention program for children who are overweight or at risk for chronic health

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conditions related to weight status. Orozco works as part of an interdisciplinary team at AltaMed CHLA.

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Jean Pacifico-Banta, OTD, OTR/L, has been an occupational therapy practitioner for over 14 years and has practiced in the areas of early intervention and school-based practice. Presently, Pacifico-Banta works for the Los Angeles Unified School District as a senior occupational therapist. In addition to her supervisory role, she supports program development for students with moderate to severe disabilities. This has been an area of focus for Pacifico-Banta both in her current position and past professional endeavors. She received her undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and her master's and clinical doctorate degrees in occupational therapy from the University of Southern California.

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Gregory Paquin, BS, received his Bachelor of Science in geophysics and engineering from Cal State Northridge. Early in his career, Paquin worked for the Ricon Corporation designing vehicle wheelchair lifts. He was independently employed as a consultant in the adaptive driving equipment industry for close to 30 years. During this time he designed, manufactured, and marketed many different kinds of adaptive driving equipment. He holds patents for wheelchair lifts and primary and secondary driving controls. Paquin became the rehabilitation engineer at the California Department of Rehabilitation's Mobility Evaluation Program in 2005. In this capacity he is a key member of the driver evaluation team, providing expertise about commercially available driving technology and vehicle modifications and design of custom adaptive equipment for complex clients. He has been instrumental in establishing safety guidelines and standards in the adaptive driving equipment and vehicle modification industry. He has served as chairperson of the Guidelines Committee of the National Association of Mobility Equipment Dealers, a non-profit trade association dedicated to expanding opportunities for people with disabilities to drive and be safely transported in modified vehicles. He is a voting member of the Society of Automotive Engineers Standards Committee.

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Daniel Park, OTD, OTR/L, is an assistant professor at the Mrs. T. H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at the University of Southern California (USC). He holds his clinical Doctorate of Occupational Therapy and Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy, both from USC. He has also earned a Master of Social Welfare (Health Services Specialization) from the University of California, Los Angeles, a Master of Education from the Harvard Graduate School of Education, and a Bachelor of Science in Human Development from Cornell University. At the USC Chan Division, Park directs the Division's *Global Initiatives* and oversees multiple large international projects, including the division's student and faculty exchange programs and the *Summer Occupational Therapy Immersion* program. Park was previously a clinical occupational therapy practitioner at Providence Saint Joseph Medical Center (Burbank, California) where he developed and launched the Outpatient Occupational Therapy Program at the Roy and Patricia Disney Family Cancer Center, designed specifically for the lifestyle and occupational performance needs of cancer survivors.

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Karen Park, OTD, OTR/L, SWC, CLE, CLE, earned a bachelor's degree in human development from the University of California, San Diego and master's and doctorate degrees in occupational therapy from the University of Southern California. She has extensive experience in pediatric practice for the past 14 years in feeding and swallowing, sensory integration, and early intervention within clinic, home, and school settings. She holds certifications in the Sensory Integration and Praxis Tests (SIPT) and advanced practice in swallowing assessment, evaluation and intervention (SWC) in the state of California. Park is an instructor and the academic coordinator of fieldwork education for pediatrics in the Mrs. T.H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at the University of Southern California. She is also clinical faculty at the USC UCEDD at Children's Hospital Los Angeles within the Interdisciplinary Feeding Development Clinic.

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Mark Petersen, OTD, OTR/L, is currently a member of the MSOT faculty at Stanbridge College in Irvine, California where he teaches coursework in foundational occupational therapy, clinical conditions, kinesiology, ethics, and pediatrics, and is an advisor to students' thesis groups. Petersen received his Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy in 2009 and his Doctorate of Occupational Therapy (OTD) in 2010 from the University of Southern California. His OTD project focused on establishing a low vision outpatient program at Keck Hospital of USC. Petersen is also a faculty advisor for a community program with Life College, a school for adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder; where he manages the collaboration between Stanbridge MSOT students and Life College students. Prior to joining Stanbridge College, he spent many years managing and practicing in an outpatient pediatric clinic and is Sensory Integration and Praxis Tests (SIPT) certified.

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Shawn Phipps, PhD, MS, OTR/L, FAOTA, is vice president of the American Occupational Therapy Association, past president of the Occupational Therapy Association of California (2008-2012), chief quality officer and associate hospital administrator at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, an occupational therapist II at UCLA, and adjunct assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy at the University of Southern California Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy. Phipps began at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center as a staff therapist, developing his clinical expertise working with children and adults with traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, and stroke. He has served as a supervisor and manager of occupational therapy services and currently serves as Rancho's chief quality officer and associate hospital administrator – the first occupational therapy practitioner to be appointed to an executive leadership position. Phipps is responsible for hospital-wide strategic planning, and also oversees the hospital's accreditation programs. He also served as a therapy manager in the Los Angeles County California Children's Services Medical Therapy Program from 2008-2011.

Phipps served two consecutive elected terms as the president of the Occupational Therapy Association of California from 2008 – 2012, was inducted as a Fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association in 2011, was a recipient of the 2005 OTAC Practice Award, the 2008 AOTA Cordelia Myers Writer's Award, the 2014 OTAC Award of Excellence and the 2015

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Phipps is also an adjunct assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy at the University of Southern California (USC) and a member of the Board of Councilors for the USC Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, where he graduated with his occupational therapy degree in 1997 and currently teaches the leadership and management course content in the post-professional graduate program.

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Deborah B. Pitts, PhD, OTR/L, BCMH, CPRP, is an expert in mental health practice. She chaired and/or served on AOTA's MHSIS, Board Certification in Mental Health workgroup, and mental health practice ad hoc work groups. She received the OTAC 2011 Practice Award for her advocacy of occupational therapy in mental health. Pitts continues to serve in a leadership position with OTAC addressing mental health practice issues.

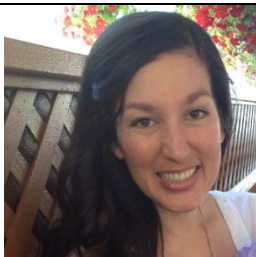
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Douglas Rakoski, OTD, OTR/L, ATP, is an assistant professor and directs the Therapeutic Technology Program at Loma Linda University Medical Center. He has served as clinical specialist in assistive technology for the University of Michigan Health System managing the Computer Assisted Therapy Program. Rakoski worked for six years at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center where he specialized in spinal cord injury and performed assistive technology evaluations at the Center for Applied Rehabilitation Technology (CART). His research experience includes participation in a National Institute of Health grant on implantable electrodes in stroke survivors and a NIDRR grant on mobile arm support development.

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Kary Rappaport, OTR/L, SWC, IBCLC, is a pediatric occupational therapy practitioner with 11 years of experience working with infants, children, and families who have eating and feeding difficulties. She works in the acute setting at Children's Hospital Los Angeles with medically complex and fragile patients and does private consulting for families with feeding needs in the Greater Los Angeles area. Her specialties including breastfeeding, feeding dysfunction in infants with

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cardiac defects, Modified Barium Swallow Studies, and feeding aversion. Rappaport has been published on the topic of feeding and she lectures about feeding locally and nationally.

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Lindsey Reeves, OTD, OTR/L, received a Doctorate of Occupational Therapy (OTD) in 2015 from the University of Southern California and a Master of Occupational Therapy in 2015 from the University of Southern California. Her residency was completed at the USC Occupational Therapy Faculty Practice, where she practiced Lifestyle Redesign® specializing in the chronic pain, chronic headache, and ergonomic programs. Her doctoral work consisted of growing the pain management program and creating a 10-week Lifestyle Redesign® Fibromyalgia Treatment and Support Group and continues to work with this population as a clinical faculty member. Reeves received a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science from UCLA in 2011.

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Alexandria Robinson, OTS, is currently a student at Loma Linda University in the Masters of Occupational Therapy program class of 2017. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Azusa Pacific University. Robinson's areas of focus include pediatrics and community-based mental health.

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Jehni Robinson, MD, is a family medicine physician and associate professor of family medicine in the department of Family Medicine at Keck School of Medicine at USC. She also serves as vice chair for clinical services overseeing Family Medicine Clinical Services. Her interests include developing quality and innovative team-based primary care and clinic redesign. Prior to her role at USC, she served as chief medical officer for the Saban Free Clinic and taught in the Harbor UCLA Transforming Primary Care Fellowship.

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Janice Rocker, OTD, OTR/L, CHT, is an occupational therapy doctorate graduate of University of Southern California and a master's in occupational therapy graduate of Boston University. Rocker is a certified hand therapist, and has practiced hand rehabilitation since 1985. She presently is instructor of clinical occupational therapy at USC, managing a clinical practice and teaching/mentoring students.

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Lisa D. Rodriguez, OTR/L, RAC-CT, has over 30 years of experience working with Therapy Specialists, a California-based contract rehabilitation company, providing occupational therapy in adult settings, including skilled nursing facilities, assisted and independent living, acute care, outpatient, and ADHC. In her current role as vice president of clinical operations, Rodriguez is responsible for the management of day-to-day operations for the senior service division, and for the clinical training and development of the therapists. Rodriguez has presented at Leading Age, California Association of Health Facilities, the Occupational Therapy Association of California, and the American Occupational Therapy Association, on topics such as: *Partnering with Managed Care, Preventing Hospital Readmissions, Strategic Positioning of your Skilled Nursing Facility in a Challenging Economy, Dementia Care: Developing Approaches, Driving Fitness, and Use of Technology with Today's Seniors.*

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Teresa Rosales, OTD, MOT, OTR/L, is a Loma Linda University Alumni, recently graduating with her occupational therapy doctorate in 2015. Rosales has spent the majority of her seven year career working in the field of mental health with an emphasis on pediatrics. Working with fieldwork students has been a special passion for her, helping them to better understand the area of mental health and its impact beyond the psychiatric setting. Rosales has received a grant from CFOT for her work, *Exploring the Emotional Intelligence of Children Receiving Inpatient Mental Health Treatment.*

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Robert Rubino is the founder and president of Left Mouse Click, a full-service computer solutions company, and has been in the computer science field for over 32 years. He resides in Pasadena and enjoys the 3-D possibilities.

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Jamie Sakamoto, MA, OT/L, PAM, SWC, CLEC, has over 12 years of experience in the field of pediatric occupational therapy in a variety of settings. Specializing in feeding dysfunction, Sakamoto has honed her clinical practice with advanced practice in feeding and swallowing and certifications in Vital Stim Therapy and lactation education and counseling. She currently works at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles (CHLA) in the acute setting serving children with complex medical issues and their families. Sakamoto also specializes in the area of sensory dysfunction and autism spectrum disorders. She has prior experience as a behavior therapist and is certified in Sensory Integration and Praxis Tests (SIPT). She also currently works with the interdisciplinary diagnostic team at the CHLA Boone Fetter Clinic for children with neuro-developmental and behavioral disorders.

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Jo Tennyson Samson, MA, OTR/L, CHT, is a licensed occupational therapy practitioner and a certified hand therapist. Samson has worked in outpatient settings for the majority of her career treating both children and adults. She obtained her Master of Arts in Education in 2004 with an emphasis on school-based occupational therapy and teaching in higher education. She completed her thesis on occupational therapy interventions for children with fine motor handwriting difficulties. In her 20 years of professional experience in the field of occupational therapy, Samson came to realize that there were no handwriting/fine motor programs available that addressed all the performance components (pencil grip development, visual motor integration, dexterity, complex finger motor planning and kinesthetic awareness) for good handwriting acquisition. The Pencil Gymnastics program is a result of the hands-on techniques that Samson developed in her work with children. Samson is currently working in outpatient hand therapy at Dominican Hospital. She has also presented workshops throughout the United States on a variety of topics, including sensory integration, pediatric splinting, and handwriting/fine motor intervention.

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Jennifer Sato, MA, OTR/L, has been employed as an occupational therapy practitioner with the Los Angeles Unified School District since 1999. Currently, she is a senior school therapist with LAUSD with Sensory Integration and Praxis Tests (SIPT) certification. Sato was a grant recipient of the USC School-Based Occupational Therapy Training Project and graduated from the University of Southern California in 1999. Prior to becoming a senior school therapist, Sato was assigned to one of the Integrated Comprehensive Autism Programs (ICAP), provided clinic-based services in one of the district's Sensory Integration therapy rooms, and was part of the preschool assessment teams.

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Winifred Schultz-Krohn, PhD, OTR/L, BCP, SWC, FAOTA, has over 30 years of experience as an occupational therapy practitioner working with individuals, primarily infants and children, with feeding disorders. She is Board Certified in Pediatrics by the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) and has Advanced Practice in Swallowing by the California Board of Occupational Therapy. She served on the Pediatric Panel of AOTA for Board Certification in Pediatrics for several years and currently is the chair of the AOTA Commission of Continuing Competence and Professional Development (CCCPD). Schultz-Krohn has also served as a member of the ASPIIRE (Association of Service Providers Implementing IDEA Reforms) cadre of AOTA disseminating information about revisions to the federal law related to early intervention and school based practice: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). She is a professor of occupational therapy at San Jose State University where she teaches courses in pediatrics, neuro-rehabilitation, and research methods. She continues to practice in pediatric occupational therapy on a part-time basis at a non-profit clinic where she sees infants and children with feeding disorders and provides services at a family homeless shelter on a pro bono basis every summer. Schultz-Krohn is the co-editor of the 6th, 7th, and upcoming 8th Edition of Pedretti's Occupational Therapy: Practice Skills for Physical Dysfunction textbook in addition to authoring well over 20 articles and chapters.

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Brandon Seigel, CRP, SHRM-SCP, brings over 12 years of experience supporting entrepreneurs in creating strategies for improving profitability while empowering a workforce. Seigel is currently the executive director for Every Child Achieves where he oversees creating strategic growth for the company in an ever-changing healthcare environment while empowering a new company culture to support a multi-generation team.

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Aviril Sepulveda, MS, OTR/L, BCP, SWC, CLE, CIMI, is a board-certified pediatric occupational therapy practitioner with over 15 years of experience. She is a certified lactation educator, infant massage instructor, and Vital Stim provider with advanced practice in feeding and swallowing and physical agents modalities. She currently works as an occupational therapy practitioner at Children's Hospital Los Angeles and Totally Kids Specialty Center. She is a board member for 2020mom, a nonprofit that bridges the gaps in maternal mental health through collaboration, education, and advocacy.

Sepulveda is also the founder of The En/ability Project, a Philippine-based nonprofit that promotes awareness on early screening, detection, and intervention for prevention of developmental disabilities in underserved areas.

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Andrea Sherman, OTD, OTR/L, received a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from the University of Miami. Upon graduation, she served as behavior interventionist and case manager at Vista Center for Behavior Analysis for children and families with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other developmental disabilities. Through this position, she discovered the wonderful field of occupational therapy and went on to earn a Master in Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy and a Doctorate in Occupational Therapy from the USC Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy. Sherman was a resident at the USC Occupational Therapy Faculty Practice where her doctoral work focused on Lifestyle Redesign® and mental health treatment. She served as occupational therapy practitioner and therapy supervisor at Easter Seals Southern California Culver City office, specializing in self-care intervention for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. She currently works as per diem occupational therapy practitioner at both Therapy West and Children's Hospital of Los Angeles.

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Jerilyn (Gigi) Smith, PhD, OTR/L, SWC, has over 25 years of experience as an occupational therapy practitioner working with individuals, primarily adults, with dysphagia. She has Advanced Practice in Swallowing by the California Board of Occupational Therapy. Smith has spoken on the topic of dysphagia at state, national, and international conferences and has authored the chapter on adult dysphagia in the past two editions of the textbook: Pedretti's Occupational Therapy: Practice Skills for Physical Dysfunction. As an assistant professor of occupational therapy at San Jose State University, Smith teaches courses in physical disabilities, including adult dysphagia, multicultural healthcare, and independent living skills. She continues to practice clinically and is currently working with infants and children with various developmental delays and feeding issues. Smith has served for many years in leadership position for OTAC; most currently as co-chair of the OTAC Student Leadership Committee. She is also a past recipient of the OTAC Luella Grangaard Political Action Award.

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Jennifer Snyder, MPH, OTAC lobbyist, is a partner in Capitol Advocacy, LLC, one of Sacramento's premier lobbying firms. She has 20 years of legislative and advocacy experience with an emphasis on health and human services issues in California. She has a bachelor's in political science and a master's in public health administration. Snyder's legislative career was spent in the California State Senate for five years as a legislative consultant specializing in health and education issues. She then served as the legislative director for the California Association of Health Facilities and the California Alliance of Child and Family Services. In 2000, she was hired by the California Hospital Association to spearhead their psychiatric hospital advocacy program. Snyder joined Capitol Advocacy in 2003, and became a partner in 2006. She has since worked with a broad range of clients on a wide array of issues in the legislative, administrative, and regulatory settings.

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Auston Stamm, OTS, is a second-year master's program student in occupational therapy at the University of Southern California (USC). He is a volunteer research assistant for the fall prevention research lab under Natalie Leland, OTD, OTR/L. He is a research chair for USC's student-run clinic and faculty liaison for USC's Occupational Therapy and Science Council. He is expected to graduate in 2017.

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Donna Breger Stanton, OTD, OTR/L, CHT, FAOTA, is an academic fieldwork coordinator and professor at Samuel Merritt University since 1998. She teaches research and integrative seminar with simulation. She is a hand therapist, and served as president of the American Society of Hand Therapists in 2005. She received her OTD from Thomas Jefferson University in 2013.

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Wendy Stav, PhD, OTR/L, SCDCM, FAOTA (Florida), received a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy from Quinnipiac University and a PhD in occupational therapy from Nova Southeastern University, as well as a specialty certification in driving and community mobility. For more than 18 years, her work has focused on driving and community mobility related to program development, medical reporting policies, driver licensing guidelines for medically at-risk drivers, assessment predictability, and occupational therapy practice. Stav's research and professional involvement and activities at the state and national levels include American Occupational Therapy Association's (AOTA) Older Driver Initiative, co-authorship of AOTA official documents and Occupational Therapy Practice Guidelines of Driving and Community Mobility for Older Adults, collaboration with the American Medical Association's Older Driver Project, the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrator's Older Driver Working Group, and contribution to three separate evidence-based literature reviews on older drivers. Stav received the Maryland Occupational Therapy Association Award of Merit for contributions to driving rehabilitation practice. In 2012, she returned to Nova Southeastern University as the chair of the Occupational Therapy Department.

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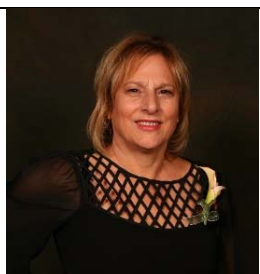
Oren Steinberg, LLB, MBA (Israel), and Hadas Steinberg, MA Neuropsychology (Israel), created a technology platform, which together with a set of behavioral techniques helped them adhere to sensory home programs developed by their occupational therapy practitioners. Oren Steinberg is an entrepreneur and gives presentations on adherence to therapy around the world and writes for Autism Parenting Magazine. Hadas Steinberg is a neuropsychologist who diagnoses and treats a variety of psychological problems, and offers parental guidance and support groups for families of children with special needs. They are the parents of two children who have individualized sensory needs.

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Graham Teaford, MS, OTR/L, is a specialist in fall prevention, aging in place, and community occupational therapy. He works for On Lok Senior Lifeways in San José, California and is an instructor at San José State University.

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Lisa A. Test, OTD, OTR/L, has been an occupational therapy practitioner for 25 years. She is the coordinating therapist for a large urban school district. Test co-edited the current and past *Guidelines for OT and PT in the CA Public Schools* and she brings a wealth of information related to school-based practice. She is Sensory Integration and Praxis Tests (SIPT) certified and has advanced training in sensory integration. Her area of focus has been children with developmental disabilities and understanding the impact of sensory processing deficits to access learning and student engagement. She received her undergraduate degree in ergonomics from the University of California, Santa Barbara, and her master's and clinical doctorate degrees in occupational therapy from the University of Southern California.

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Heather Thomas, OTR/L, PhD, is program director of the OT Assistant program at American Career College in Anaheim, California. She has presented on multiple topics for OTAC and AOTA and is currently serving as a California AOTA representative. She is the author of the top-selling activity analysis text book, which uses the OT Practice Framework as a foundation. She continues to practice occupational therapy with adults with physical disabilities, as well as conducting research.
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Jamie Thompson, MS, OTR/L, is the lead intensive care unit (ICU) occupational therapy practitioner at Mills Peninsula Hospital where she has worked for the past three years. Thompson earned her Master of Science in Occupational Therapy from Dominican University of California in 2013. She specializes in the treatment of cardiovascular patients undergoing surgical intervention, and has participated in the development of patient education materials, competency training, and staff in-services to ensure continuity of care for patients undergoing cardiac surgery.
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Nancy Tolani, MA, graduated with a Master of Arts from USC Mrs. T.H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy in May, 2016. She holds a bachelor's degree in occupational therapy from Indore Institute of Medical Science, India. She worked as an occupational therapy practitioner in a pediatric developmental clinic for about two years. Tolani has particular interest in sensory integration and intends to dwell deep into the research in this area.
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Sonia Trejo, MA, OTR/L, SWC, is a pediatric occupational therapy practitioner working in the USC University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. She specializes in working with children with feeding challenges and enjoys educating and collaborating with professionals and families alike to best support a child (and their family) in their eating journey. Trejo received her bachelor's in health promotion and disease prevention and her master's in occupational therapy, both from the University of Southern California. She also has her Advanced Practice in Swallowing Assessment, Evaluation, or Intervention in California.
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Joyce Shun-Ju Tsai, OTD, OTR/L, received her Master of Arts and Doctorate of Occupational Therapy from University of Southern California in 2013 and 2016. Tsai is an enthusiastic occupational therapy practitioner with her specialty in sensory integration. She is an international therapist from Taiwan who came to the U.S. in 2012 to pursue post-professional education and discovered her enthusiasm and passion in pediatric occupational therapy. When Tsai was in her doctorate program, she chose a leadership concentration on the advanced clinical practice track, with a focus on becoming an occupational therapy practitioner informed by sensory integration theory. During this time, one of her highlighted accomplishments was reviewing, analyzing, and re-organizing all the sensory integration related research from the past 10 years. Tsai's next step is contributing to an online database of the most important and relevant research in this area to foster evidence-based practice.

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Joseph Christian Ungco, MA, OTR/L, is the chair of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) Assembly of Student Delegates and recent graduate from the USC Mrs. T.H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy.

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Ashley Uyeshiro, OTD, OTR/L, is an assistant professor of clinical occupational therapy at the Mrs. T.H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at the University of Southern California (USC). She uses the Lifestyle Redesign[®] technique to help people with chronic or lifestyle-based conditions to change their daily habits and routines. Uyeshiro specializes in treating people with chronic pain, headaches, concussions, and multiple sclerosis, and works closely with multidisciplinary teams to create comprehensive care for her patients. She also conducts ergonomic evaluations for patients, as well as employees of USC, and is a certified pet therapy handler.

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Angana Vaishnav, MA, is an occupational therapy doctorate student at USC Mrs. T. H Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy. She graduated from the Master of Arts program at USC in May, 2016. She completed her undergraduate studies in occupational therapy in Mumbai, India. She has a keen interest in pediatrics, specifically in sensory intervention. She intends to practice sensory intervention and conduct further research in her field of interest.
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Samantha Valasek, MA, OTR/L, is an occupational therapy doctoral resident at the USC Occupational Therapy Faculty Practice and Keck USC primary health care settings. Her residency focuses on developing advanced clinical skills in the practice of Lifestyle Redesign®, expanding opportunities for occupational therapy in primary care, and developing roles for occupational therapy in interprofessional care and interprofessional education.
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Diane Van Wagner, MS, OT/L, received a master's in occupational therapy from the San Jose State University in 2006. Her primary area of practice is working with children 0-21 years of age who have orthopedic and neurological disabilities. She supports the Special Olympics of Northern California and is on the advisory board for the Santa Cruz Inclusive Playground project. Van Wagner joined the California Children's Medical Therapy program in 2004 where she is a full-time practicing occupational therapy practitioner and is the student internship supervisor and coordinator. Her professional experience includes as a contractor for the US Department of Defense in Germany serving children in early intervention and school-based therapy. She worked with senior adults as the lead occupational therapy practitioner in an adult day care health setting. Van Wagner enjoys mentoring all levels of intern and fieldwork students from various universities throughout California. Her interests include researching conceptual frameworks that support learning theories and then actively apply them in occupational therapy practice.
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Arielle Villanueva, OTRP, OTS, is a current post-professional student in the master's program at the USC Mrs. T. H. Chan Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy. She is an active member of the Occupational Therapy and Science Council within the division. She is a dedicated volunteer for the cause of occupational therapy, especially in terms of education and representation of international students. She is an incoming OTD resident for *Global Initiatives*, a member of the executive board of the Graduate Student Government in 2016-2017, and the director of international student concerns advocacy in the National Association of Graduate and Professional Students.

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Ana Verran, MA, OTR/L, received a master's in occupational therapy from the University of Southern California. She has 36 years of experience as an occupational therapy practitioner. For the past six years she has worked in the California Department of Rehabilitation's Mobility Evaluation Program, evaluating the driving potential and assistive technology needs of people with disabilities.

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Caitlin Williams, BA, is a certified Permaculture Design Specialist and is internationally certified in wildlife tracking. She is an author, storyteller, and naturalist. For the last 20 years Williams has been designing and teaching nature connection programs for infants, children, teens, and adults. She has taught at many popular wilderness schools and is currently working with Weaving Earth Regenerative Design Institute and at Foundations IN Nature.

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Chuck Willmarth, MS, CAE, is director of health policy and state affairs at the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA). He has over 20 years of experience managing state legislative and regulatory issues including more than 15 years with AOTA.

AOTA's State Affairs Group advances the Association's public policy goals and objectives at the state level. He works closely with state occupational therapy associations on a variety of state issues including state regulation of occupational therapy, scope of practice, and payment policy issues such as workers' compensation and Medicaid. Willmarth is leading AOTA's advocacy work on the implementation of healthcare reform at

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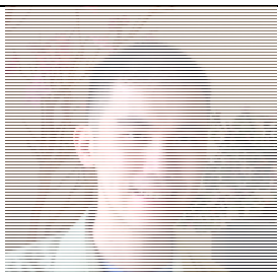
the state and federal levels. Prior to healthcare reform, he led AOTA's advocacy efforts with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid as AOTA's director of reimbursement and regulatory policy for five years.

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Hope Wills, MA, RD, CSP, IBCLC, has 20 years of experience in the area of nutrition and feeding for children with special health care needs and is a staff nutritionist at the USC University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. She has worked in both the inpatient and outpatient environment and appreciates feeding as a dynamic process between the child and caregiver. In addition to providing clinical service, Wills provides training to student dietitians. She is also the clinical director for health promotions for Special Olympics of Southern California.

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Bill Wong, OTD, OTR/L, has been an occupational therapy practitioner since 2012. He received his master's and clinical doctorate degrees in occupational therapy from University of Southern California in 2011 and 2013, respectively. Wong developed a keen interest in professional development when Terry Olivas De La O mentored him in professional development as well as his involvement on #otalk on Twitter with his UK occupational therapy (OT) colleagues in 2012. He also started accepting other professional development mentees in OT students and practitioners, with or without autism. After Terry Olivas De La O's passing in 2014, Wong sought professional development mentorship from Shawn Phipps, Michael Iwama, and Barbara Kornblau. He has connections with over 11,000 occupational therapy practitioners globally on social media. He believes a key reason for his successes in his professional journey is through timely advice by his mentors coupled with his strong self-determination and self-reflective skills, encouragement from his contemporaries, as well as self-awareness of his professional trajectory. He was a speaker at TEDxGrandForks in 2015.

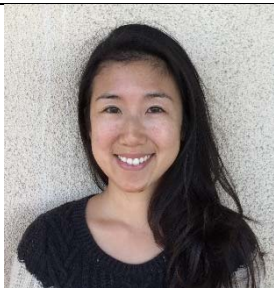
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Kayla Wong, OTR/ L, is an occupational therapy doctorate candidate at the University of Southern California who is currently completing her residency at City of Hope National Medical Center in their acute care setting. After a family experience introduced her to the rehabilitation world, Wong explored various career options during her undergraduate studies. She eventually became very involved in the pre-occupational therapy society at UCSD and fell in love with the profession. She realized that as an occupational therapy practitioner she could apply her background in biology and psychology. Wong also found that she enjoyed the creativity that came with the profession and the flexibility to work with diverse groups of people. Working at City of Hope, she has been given the opportunity to further her knowledge in providing care to the oncology population.

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Sarah Yun, MA, OTR/L, is currently working as a pediatric occupational therapy practitioner at Casa Colina Hospital and Centers for Healthcare. Her areas of specialty include early intervention, primarily with clients with autism, and feeding. Yun served as the primary occupational therapy practitioner in creating the LEGO® construction social skills pilot program at Casa Colina. She also enjoys working with local community members and organizations to promote inclusion of individuals with special needs. She regularly collaborates with other disciplines to provide the most comprehensive care to her clients and families.

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