



The California Board of Occupational Therapy requests **YOUR** assistance!

The California Board of Occupational Therapy (Board) is asking you to serve the occupational therapy profession and support the Board by participating as a committee member. The Board has established a variety of committees to help support the Board's mandate and its operations; these committees will provide valuable assistance to the Board. If you are interested, *please* let us know!

Please provide your name, a little bit about yourself (i.e., background, year(s) and area(s) of practice, etc.) along with which committee(s) you are interested. You can send your info via fax to 916/263-2701 or email it to cbot@dca.ca.gov. If you have further questions, please call the Board's office at 916/263-2294 and ask for Heather.

Here is a summary of the Committees and their current responsibilities; roles and responsibilities are subject to change:

Disaster Response / Disaster Preparedness Committee

Members will review the current laws and regulations to ensure consistency and identify and provide input into reducing barriers to occupational therapy roles in disaster preparedness and response (consistent with the Strategic Plan), work with other organizations regarding the roles of OTs and OTAs in an emergency/disaster, and be responsible for the development of the Board's Disaster Response Plan.

Education/Outreach Committee

Members will be responsible for the development of consumer outreach projects, including the Board's newsletter, website, e-government initiatives and outside organization presentations. These members will also act as good will ambassadors and represent the Board at the invitation of outside organizations and programs.

Enforcement Committee

Members will develop and review enforcement policies, review enforcement/discipline-related regulatory proposals, and the Board's disciplinary guidelines. (Please note: Individual enforcement cases will *not* be reviewed.)

Practice Committee

Members will review and provide recommendations to Board staff on Applications for Advanced Practice Post-Professional Education received from course providers, review and provide recommended responses to the Board on various practice issues/questions submitted by licensees; review and provide recommended responses to Board staff on revisions to various applications and forms used by the board, and provide guidance and recommendations to the Board on continuing competency audits.

Legislative/Regulatory Affairs Committee

Members will identify, track and make recommendations to the Board with respect to legislation impacting the Board's mandate and/or operation. In consultation with legal counsel, Board staff, and other interested parties, members could develop language, propose/recommend legislative and regulatory changes, and identify regulatory and statutory needs.

(Although committee members are not compensated, travel-related expenses are reimbursed.)

If you can help – please let us know!