What Moves Us in OT

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WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN OT

Dr. Rakoski sums up the essence of an OT in three words:

Connected. Curious. Courageous.

With more than two decades of experience in neurological rehabilitation, assistive technology, and occupational therapy education, he has seen a wide range of challenges clients face — and just as many thoughtful approaches to help them return to their activities.

In his view, it is finding that connection between creative solutions (art) and evidence-based research (science) that moves treatment beyond a narrowed view to a more complete approach for each person.



> "Any time a person realizes, 'I can do this again,' I am reminded **WHY OT MATTERS.**"

Learn more about Dr. Rakoski's views on centering occupational therapy through a whole-person approach.

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ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

The entry-level occupational therapy doctoral degree program has applied for accreditation and has been granted Candidacy Status by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 7501 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 510E, Bethesda, MD 20814.ACOTE's telephone number c/o AOTA is (301) 652-AOTA and its web address is www.acoteonline.org.

The program must have a pre-accreditation review, complete an on-site evaluation, and be granted Accreditation Status before its graduates will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be an Occupational Therapist, Registered (OTR). In addition, all states require licensure to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination. A felony conviction may affect a graduate's ability to sit for the NBCOT certification examination or attain state licensure.