



MSOTA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

One of the main goals of the Mississippi Occupational Therapy Association (MSOTA) is to be a voice for our profession. This means being advocates for favorable public policy, protecting our scope of practice, and supporting members with specific issues affecting their work setting. The way MSOTA has done this in the past is through a “grassroots” method. We have exhausted our ability to create change at this level. The best way to make sure our voices are heard within legislation is to hire a lobbyist. MSOTA is the only organization in Mississippi that promotes and advocates to protect OT/OTA practice and reimbursement in Mississippi.

What do we need to do this?

We need more members. The more members that we have the more representation we have when legislative issues come along that could limit our scope of practice. Not only would more members mean we would have the funds that we need to hire a lobbyist, but it would also mean that we have more seats at the table during legislative discussions.

What are we (MSOTA) doing to get more members?

We are kicking off a membership drive from September through March. We want our members, past members, and potential members to know where their money is going, what MSOTA does for them, and what MSOTA plans to do for them in the future.

What are the facts about membership?

Only 162 out of 1,450 currently licensed OT/OTAs are members of MSOTA – that is 11 %. To hire a lobbyist we need at least 200 more members.

What do your dues provide?

Discounted prices for continuing education opportunities with nationally recognized speakers. Free continuing education conferences throughout the year specific to your practice area. Purchase technology to enable more peer to peer collaboration during everyday practice. Membership provides legislative advocacy and protection on a volunteer basis from membership leaders.

What could dues provide with increased membership?

A lobbyist who can have immediate and unrestrained access to our legislators during critical times. Means to financial solvency leading to the opportunity to seek a self-regulated professional governing body.

What can you do to help?

We need members from all over the state who are willing to hand out information or application forms, get the word out, and assist us with adding and retaining members.

If we are not fighting for our profession, no one else will.

If you would like to help with the membership drive, please contact your district chair or Heather Calnan, h_calnan@bellsouth.net

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We need YOU!

MSOTA is here to advocate for every OT/OTA in the state of MS.
You are important to us!
Your membership includes:
discounted prices for CEU, free CEU conferences,
and legislative advocacy and protection through volunteer members

Cost Comparison:

OT: \$70 annually=\$5.83 a month
OTA: \$55 annually= \$4.58 a month
What you pay in a year, equals 1 fast food meal or 1 latte a month.

MSOTA goals:

To serve every OT/OTA in MS,
however only 11% of licensed OT/OTAs in MS are members of MSOTA, this means we must reaching the majority of the licensed practitioners in the state.

To hire a lobbyist

Currently we cannot afford to hire a lobbyist because the money that we take in is going toward basic operating costs.
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Membership Application

Circle One: Renewal or New Member
Previous MSOTA Member? Yes/No

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND FILL IN ALL AREAS.

Name _____
Last First MI

Address _____

City State Zip County Phone

Position/Title _____ Employer _____

Address _____

City State Zip County Employer Phone

Email Address _____ Fax No. _____

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN WITH YOUR PAYMENT FOR MSOTA MEMBERSHIP

MSOTA
PO BOX 2188
Brandon, MS 39043
Phone: 601-853-9564; Fax 601-500-5757
mississippiota@gmail.com
Make checks payable to M.S.O.T.A.

Please Charge My:

VISA # _____

Mastercard _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

OT/OTA Annual Membership:

OT \$70.00 _____
OTA \$55.00 _____
Associate \$30.00 _____
Honorary/Retired Free

Student/New Grad Membership:

Student \$30.00 _____
(active until graduation)
School Attending _____
Ant. Grad Date (mo/yr) _____

New OT Graduate \$55.00 _____
(disc price good for 6 mos following grad)

New OTA Graduate \$40.00 _____
(disc price good for 6 mos following grad)

Special Membership Categories:

Magnolia \$50.00 _____
Cotton \$25.00 _____
Student Sponsor \$30.00 _____
(Please select a school of your choice
for the two year student sponsorship.)

____ UMMC _____ HCC
____ ICC _____ PRCC

OT Multi-Year Membership:

2 years \$136.50 _____
3 years \$199.50 _____
4 years \$259.00 _____

OTA Multi-Year Membership:

2 years \$107.25 _____
3 years \$156.75 _____
4 years \$203.50 _____

Please contact MSOTA for
information regarding additional
years membership pricing.

Committee Interests:

Continuing Education _____
District Level Events _____
Legislation & Licensure _____
Membership _____
Public Relations _____
Reimbursement _____

Special Interest Sections:

Practicing In:

____ Geriatrics
____ School Systems
____ Home Health/Community
____ Physical Dysfunction
____ Education
____ Mental Health
____ Administration
____ Developmental Disability
____ Sensory Integration
____ Technology
____ Work Programs

Would you be willing to present at an
MSOTA continuing education session?

Would you agree to be listed in an
MSOTA speaker's publication?

If you answered yes to either of these
questions, an MSOTA representative
will contact you with more information.