## **ACOTE® April 2013 Accreditation Actions**

The AOTA Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE®) met on April 27-28, 2013, and took the following accreditation actions:

#### Final ACOTE decisions subsequent to an initial on-site evaluation:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE DECI		TERM	NEXT ON-SITE
Adventist University of Health Sciences (OTM), Orlando, Florida	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
Arkansas Tech University-Ozark Campus (OTA), Ozark, Arkansas	Accreditation	5	2017/2018
Chattahoochee Technical College (OTA), Austell, Georgia	Accreditation	5	2017/2018
Inter American University of Puerto Rico-Ponce Campus (OTA),	Accreditation	5	2017/2018
Mercedita, Puerto Rico			
Keiser University, Fort Myers (OTA), Fort Myers, Florida	Accreditation	5	2017/2018
Spokane Falls Community College (OTA), Spokane, Washington	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
University of the Sciences (OTD), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Accreditation	5	2017/2018

Accreditation Granted following an initial on-site evaluation: The accreditation review process confirms that the program is in substantial compliance with the ACOTE Accreditation Standards for a Doctoral-Degree-Level Educational Program for the Occupational Therapist, a Master's-Degree-Level Educational Program for the Occupational Therapist, or an Educational Program for the Occupational Therapy Assistant. A program in **substantial compliance** with the Standards may be in noncompliance in one or more specific Standards that are believed to be readily correctable. At the time of ACOTE action, ACOTE awards an accreditation period based on the following criteria:

- 5-year review cycles are the standard number of years for initial accreditation; and
- 7-year review cycles aregranted to those programs that have no areas of noncompliance and have demonstrated exceptional educational quality.

### Final ACOTE decisions subsequent to a re-accreditation on-site evaluation:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION	TERM	NEXT ON-SITE
California State University, Dominguez Hills (OTM), Carson,	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
California			
Columbia University (OTM), New York, New York	Accreditation	10	2022/2023
Cuyahoga Community College (OTA), Cleveland, Ohio	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
James Madison University (OTM), Harrisonburg, Virginia	Accreditation 7		2019/2020
Jefferson College of Health Sciences (OTA), Roanoke, Virginia	Accreditation	10	2022/2023
Kaplan Career Institute-Pittsburgh (OTA), Pittsburgh, Accreditation		7	2019/2020
Pennsylvania			
Lake Area Technical Institute (OTA), Watertown, South Dakota	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
Lewis & Clark Community College (OTA), Godfrey, Illinois	Accreditation	10	2022/2023
Loma Linda University (OTM), Loma Linda, California	Accreditation	10	2022/2023
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, New Orleans	Probationary	7	2019/2020
Campus (OTM), New Orleans, Louisiana	Accreditation		
Newman University (OTA), Wichita, Kansas	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
St. Catherine University (OTM), St. Paul, Minnesota	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
St. Catherine University-Minneapolis (OTA), Minneapolis,	Accreditation	7	2019/2020
Minnesota			
Touro College (OTM), Bay Shore, New York	Accreditation	10	2022/2023
Western Technical College (OTA), LaCrosse, Wisconsin	Accreditation	7	2019/2020

Accreditation Granted following a re-accreditation on-site evaluation: The accreditation review process confirms that the program is in substantial compliance with the ACOTE Accreditation Standards for a Doctoral-Degree-Level Educational Program for the Occupational Therapist, a Master's-Degree-Level Educational Program for the Occupational Therapist, or an Educational Program for the Occupational Therapy Assistant. A program in **substantial compliance** with the Standards may be in noncompliance in one or more specific Standards that are believed to be readily correctable. At the time of ACOTE action, ACOTE awards an accreditation period based on the following criteria:

- 5-year review cycles are given to programs that are reaccredited, but raise significant concerns as determined by ACOTE;
- 7-year review cycles are the standard number of years for reaccreditation; and
- 10-year review cycles are granted to those programs that have no areas of noncompliance and have demonstrated exceptional educational quality.

<u>Probationary Accreditation Action</u>: The occupational therapy master's program at **Louisiana State**<u>University Health Sciences Center</u>, New Orleans Campus, New Orleans, Louisiana, was placed on Probationary Accreditation effective April 27, 2013 for nearing the end of the mandated time period to comply with 2006 OT Master's-Level Standard A.2.2. (program director qualifications). The program has been in noncompliance with Standard A.2.2. since August 2008.

The program has been requested to submit a Progress Report to return the program to full compliance with the Standards within the mandated time period for correction.

### Final ACOTE decision subsequent to a review of a Progress Report:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
Tennessee State University (OTM), Nashville, Tennessee	Accreditation (Changed from
	Probationary Accreditation)

<u>Accreditation (changed from Probationary Accreditation)</u>: The accreditation review process confirms that the program has corrected the concerns leading to Probationary Status and now in in substantial compliance with the ACOTE Accreditation Standards for a Doctoral-Degree-Level Educational Program for the Occupational Therapist, a Master's-Degree-Level Educational Program for the Occupational Therapist, or an Educational Program for the Occupational Therapy Assistant.

### Final ACOTE decision subsequent to a review of a Significant Program Change:

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION	
Concordia University Wisconsin (OTM), Mequon, Wisconsin	Approval of a Hybrid Program Track	
Oklahoma City Community College (OTA), Oklahoma City,	oma City, Approval of a "Flex Track" Format	
Oklahoma		
University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (OTA),	Approval to add the following partner	
Scotch Plains, New Jersey	college to the consortium: Warren County	
	Community College, Washington, NJ	

# <u>Final ACOTE decisions subsequent to a review of an initial Report of Self-Study (Step 2 of the Initial Accreditation Process):</u>

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
Brown Mackie College-Birmingham (OTA), Birmingham, Alabama	Letter of Review Granted
Central Piedmont Community College (OTA), Charlotte,	Letter of Review Granted
North Carolina	
Cossatot Community College of the University of Arkansas	Letter of Review Denied
(OTA), Ashdown, Arkansas	
University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (OTA),	Letter of Review Granted
Scotch Plains, New Jersey	
South University-West Palm Beach (OTA), Royal Palm Beach,	Letter of Review Granted
Florida	
Trinity Washington University (OTA), Washington, DC	Letter of Review Deferred

<u>Letter of Review Granted</u>: The proposed program would appear to meet the Standards if fully implemented in accordance with the plans of the sponsoring institution. An initial on-site evaluation will be conducted before an accreditation decision is made.)

<u>Letter of Review Deferred</u>: Information received from the program is incomplete and/or insufficient for evaluation. Supplementary information is requested for consideration at a subsequent ACOTE meeting.

<u>Letter of Review Denied</u>: The proposed program does not meet one or more of the Standards and there does not appear to be evidence of the ability to comply within the immediate future. No further action will be taken unless the program sends notification of the intent to proceed with the accreditation process. The institution retains the option of proceeding with the initial on-site evaluation.

# <u>Final ACOTE decision subsequent to a review of a Candidacy Application (Step 1 of the Initial Accreditation Process):</u>

PROGRAM, LEVEL, CITY, STATE	DECISION
Baker College of Owosso (OTA), Owosso, Michigan	Candidacy Status Granted
Cabarrus College of Health Sciences (OTM), Concord,	Candidacy Status Granted
North Carolina	-
Princeton Information Technology Center (OTA), Glenside,	Candidacy Status Granted
Pennsylvania	
Stevens-Henager College, Ogden Campus (OTA), Layton, Utah	Candidacy Status Granted
University of Louisiana at Monroe (OTM), Monroe, Louisiana	Candidacy Status Granted
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (OTD), Chattanooga,	Candidacy Status Deferred
Tennessee	

<u>Candidacy Status Granted</u>: The proposed program may now admit its first class of students according to the approved timeline and proceed to step 2 of the initial accreditation process (the initial review), which will be followed by step 3 (the initial on-site evaluation). Candidacy Status indicates that the program meets the requirements for Candidacy Status and the plans and resource allocations for the proposed program, if fully implemented, appear to demonstrate the ability to comply with the 2011 ACOTE Accreditation Standards.

<u>Candidacy Status Deferred</u>: Information received from the program is incomplete and/or insufficient for evaluation. Supplementary information is requested for consideration at a subsequent ACOTE meeting.

As of May 10, 2013, the number of programs in the accreditation process totaled 393.

Program Status	OT Doctoral	OT Master's	ОТА	TOTAL
Accredited Programs	5	146	166	317
Developing/Candidate Programs	4	6	26	36
Applicant Programs	8	11	21	40
TOTAL	17	163	213	393

Additional information regarding occupational therapy accreditation may be obtained from the ACOTE Accreditation section of the AOTA Web page (<a href="www.acoteonline.org">www.acoteonline.org</a>) or from AOTA accreditation staff at (301) 652-6611 x2914 or accred@aota.org.