

Academic Leadership Councils Meeting April 21-22, 2026 Anaheim, CA

In-person: Hilton Anaheim Hotel ~ Pacific Ballroom CD

Live streamed: [Pacific time](#)

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Monday, April 20, 2026

4:00-6:00	REGISTRATION & BADGE PICK-UP – Hilton Anaheim (Headquarters)
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Tuesday April 21, 2026

7:00-8:50	REGISTRATION & BADGE PICK-UP (Breakfast on your own)
8:50-9:00	Welcome
9:00-10:30	State of Our Programs: Regulatory Pressures and Market Realities Shaping OTA and OT Education Neil Harvison, PhD, OTR/L, FNAP, FAOTA – Chief Programs & Policy Officer, AOTA
10:30-11:00	NETWORKING BREAK (coffee & tea available) Sponsor video
11:00-11:15	AOTA Reimagining and Reenvisioning OTA/OT Education Ad Hoc Committee. Arameh Anvarizadeh, OTD, OTR/L, FAOTA – AOTA President
11:15-12:00	Roundtable Discussions: Priorities for the Reenvisioning OTA/OT Education Ad Hoc Committee
12:00-1:30	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
1:30-1:45	Feedback from roundtables on Priorities for the Reenvisioning OTA/OT Education Ad Hoc Committee
1:45-2:45	Advocacy as a Front-line Leader
2:45-3:30	Faculty Workload Lenin C. Grajo, PhD, EdM, OTR/L, CLA
3:30-4:00	NETWORKING BREAK (refreshments available) Sponsor video
4:00-4:15	AOTF
4:15-4:35	COE/ AESIS Erika L. Kemp, OTD, OTR/L, BCP, FAOTA Audrey Kane, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA
4:35-4:45	Close

Wednesday April 22, 2026

7:00-9:00	Breakfast on your own Coffee available
8:50	Welcome
9:00-9:15	AOTPAC Dawn Sonnier, LOTR – AOTPAC Chairperson
9:15-10:00	2026 OT Primary Care Legislative and Regulatory Updates Heather Parsons – VP of Federal & Regulatory Affairs, AOTA Kim Karr, OTR/L – Director, Payment Policy, AOTA
10:00-10:30	OTA/OT Intraprofessional Collaboration
10:30-11:00	NBCOT
11:00-11:30	ACOTE®
11:30	CLOSING REMARKS & AWARDS

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