



AK OT Scope Modernization Work Group - June 30, 2025

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
Monday, June 30, 2025 at 1:00 PM AKDT to 3:00 PM AKDT
Zoom

Meeting Details: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/yV2XRI20RGO-OAy7Sq9ubw>

Agenda

1. Call to Order 1:00 PM

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A. Roll Call 1:05 PM

Workgroup Members

- [Victoria "Tori" Daugherty, OTR](#) - Board Member
- Kristen Neville - AOTA
- Katie Walker, OTD, OTR/L - AKOTA
- Jean Keckhut, OTR/L, CHT
- Alfred G. Bracciano, MSA, EdD, OTR/L, CPAM, FAOTA
- Kirsten Owen, OTR/L
- Audra Yewchin, OTR/L
- Sarah Rhodes, COTA
- Kathleen Hansen, OTD/OTR/L

B. Review future meeting dates 1:08 PM

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2. Public Comment 1:10 PM

3. Purpose and Summary of Workgroup - review 1:20 PM

Presenter: Victoria Daugherty

A. OT Workgroup Objectives

1. Develop a collaborative plan to address modernization of our scope of practice between all stakeholders (including the state licensing board, AKOTA, national organizations, and licensees) to create statutory change.
2. Identify needs for change/improvement in the current draft of scope of practice language.
3. Modify the current language to address any needs that the workgroup identifies.
4. Address the role of OTAs in scope of practice language

5. Develop and updated draft of scope of practice language for future action steps for recommendation to the PHY Board.

B. Completed Topics

- Physical agent modalities
- Feeding, eating, and swallowing
- Pelvic floor and Women's health
- Diagnostic Imaging
- OTA Definition
- Mental health
- Direct access
- Cognitive assessment

4. Review - Statutes vs. Regulations

1:25 PM

Statutes (laws) AS 08.84

Regulations (rules) 12 AAC 54.xxx

5. Discussion Topics

A. Review Stakeholder Feedback

1:30 PM

- Review AKOTA (stakeholder) feedback from June 16, 2025 AKOTA board meeting

6. Scope of Practice draft language

2:00 PM

- Review in its entirety
- Make any final changes if needed

7. Legislative Plan of Action

2:30 PM

- Timeline - Scope of Practices Committee Mtg = June 6
- Meet with AKOTA June 16 for feedback
- PHY Full Board - unknown timeframe
- Soft overall deadline: August 30
- Discuss how we will collaborate between stakeholders to seek out bill sponsorship
Anyone is welcome to attend Scope of Practices Committee meeting and full Board meeting(s) and speak during public comment period.

8. Action Steps

2:45 PM

1. Tori Daugherty to present final draft language to PHY Board for review
2. AKOTA next steps
3. Sponsorship next steps

9. Adjourn

3:00 PM