

NBCOT[®] EXCELLENCE AWARD

Honors mid- to late-career OTRs and COTAs who have made **sustained and outstanding contributions** to occupational therapy practice through **leadership, mentorship, scholarship, advocacy, entrepreneurship**, or other efforts to support groups, communities, and populations.

Eligibility Requirements

- Certified for at least 10 years.

How to Apply

-  Access the [award platform](#) and create an account.
- Complete the award application and attach
 - One (1) professional letter of recommendation/reference.
 - Nominee's résumé
- Submit the application
-  Self-nomination or nomination by others is accepted.

Who Should Apply

- Open to all OTR and COTA certificants with at least 10 years experience

NBCOT[®] IMPACT AWARD

Recognizes OTR and COTA practitioners who have made exceptional, **client-centered contributions**, demonstrating dedication, hard work, and outstanding occupational therapy skills to improve their **clients' life satisfaction and engagement** in meaningful occupations.

Eligibility Requirements

- The practitioners impact must be directly related to a recipient of OT services.

How to Apply

-  Access the [award platform](#) and create an account.
- Complete the award application and attach
 - Two impact statements - one impact statement **must** be a first-person account from the client or the client's family/caregiver.
 - Nominee's résumé (only if self-nominating)
-  Submit the application.
- Self-nomination or nomination by others is accepted.

Who Should Apply

- Certified OT practitioners that primarily engage with clients (i.e.: recipients of OT services).

NBCOT[®] INNOVATION AWARD

Recognizes OTRs or COTAs who demonstrate the delivery of an **effective, innovative, and evidence-based program** or intervention that enhances the quality of life for a person or persons.

Eligibility Requirements

- The program/intervention must be supported with evidence.

How to Apply

-  Access the [award platform](#) and create an account.
- Complete the award application and attach
 - Program information, to include two of any of the following: website link, brochure, press release, or publication
 - Nominee's résumé (only if self-nominating)
-  Submit the application.
- Self-nomination or nomination by others is accepted.

Who Should Apply

- Open to all OTR and COTA certificants