



## **2024 NBOTC Occupational Therapy Practitioner Award of Excellence**

### **Award Description**

The National Black Occupational Therapy Caucus Occupational Therapy Practitioner Award of Excellence was established in 2024 to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the NBOTC. This award recognizes an OTP (OT or OTA) that embodies the vision of the founders and demonstrates a long-standing commitment to the mission of NBOTC, service, and leadership to the profession through the NBOTC and state, national level, or international level. Additionally, the OTP should demonstrate a commitment to social and occupational justice, advocacy in the profession, and professional excellence. The awardee should have at least 10 years of experience in the field of occupational therapy, contributes above and beyond their typical job responsibilities, and demonstrates a sustained membership and involvement to professional organizations including NBOTC. This individual demonstrates exceptional contributions to the profession through practice, education, research, service, and/or advocacy. A nominator may submit a nomination for an OTP or may submit a self-nomination. One honor will be awarded annually.

### **Eligibility criteria**

1. An OT or OTA in good financial standing with the NBOTC no less than 2 consecutive years prior to nomination.
2. At least 10 years of experience as an OTP.
3. Demonstrate a sustained record of leadership and service to the profession, the NBOTC, and other professional organizations at the local, state, national, or international level.
4. Demonstrate significant professional contributions to the profession in at least two or more of the following areas: practice, education, research, advocacy.