Adaptive Sports and Recreation as Therapeutic Occupation

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Learning Objectives

- To clearly see the AOTA Vision 2025 in action and identify the pillars of effectiveness, leadership, collaboration, accessibility, and diversity in this occupation-based practice model.
- To be able to translate this practice model using other occupations and with other populations to promote health, well-being, and quality of life.
- Identify barriers and solutions to authentic occupation-centered practice.



WHY

"The Story"





Brooks Rehabilitation System of Care



Ongoing Recovery: Community Health

- Adaptive Sports and Recreation Program
- Clubhouse
- Wellness Programs
- Neuro Recovery Center
- Aphasia Center
- School Re-entry
- Spinal Cord Injury Day Treatment Program

System Clinical Programs

- Neurology & Brain Injury
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Orthopedics
- Geriatrics
- Pediatrics
- Stroke & Cardiac



Health Care Delivery

- Inpatient
- Outpatient
- Decreased reimbursement
- Decreased length of stay





Downward Spiral

Social Isolation

Physical Inactivity

Poor Quality of Life

Secondary Complications

- Obesity
- Depression
- Relationship Breakdown
- Cardiovascular Disease
- Addiction
- UnemploymentDiabetes



Health Disparities

- Obesity
- Depression
- Addiction
- Diabetes
- Suicide

- Cardiovascular disease
- Hypertension
- Anxiety
- Relationship breakdown
- Unemployment



Problem Statement

Individuals living with disability do not have access to participate in meaningful occupations that promote and sustain lifelong health, well-being and quality of life.



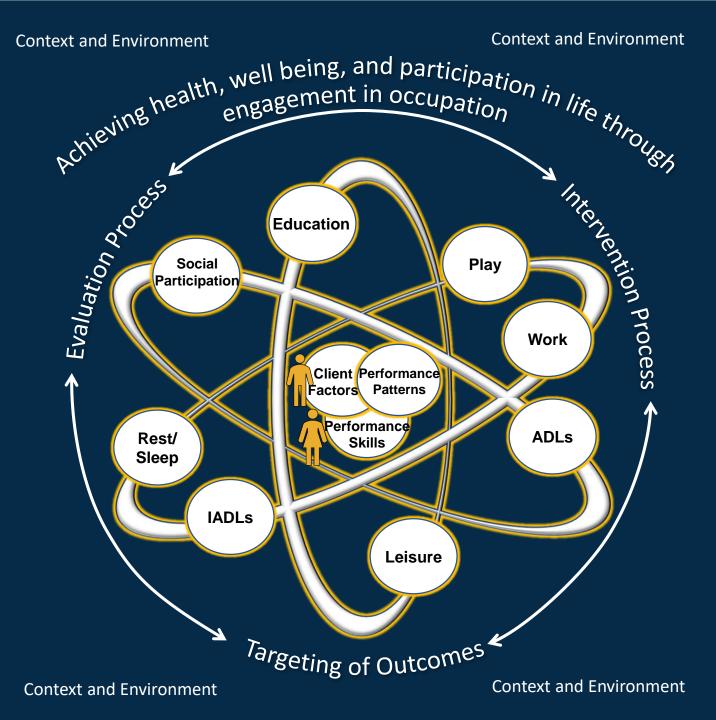
Barriers to Participation

- Financial
- Transportation
- Awareness of options
- Accessible equipment and environment
- Attitude
- Noncompliant programs
- Staff knowledge and skills



WHAT





Occupational Therapy Domain and Process

Occupational Therapy Practice Framework



Adaptive Sports & Recreation

Vision

That individuals with physical and/or visual disabilities will enjoy a higher quality of life as a result of Brooks sponsored adaptive sport and recreation activities.





Adaptive Sports & Recreation

Mission

Provide individuals with physical and/or visual disabilities the inspiration, education, and opportunity to participate in world class adaptive sport and recreation activities.





Current Program Activities

- Archery
- Billiards
- Boccia
- Bowling
- Climbing
- Cycling

- Dance
- Fishing
 - Golf
 - Horseback Riding
 - Power Soccer
- Rowing

- Surfing
- Trap Shooting
- Water Skiing
- Wheelchair Basketball
- Wheelchair Rugby
- Yoga



WHO

✓ Anyone with a physical or visual impairment

- ✓ All ages
- ✓ All abilities
- \checkmark No fee to participate
- ✓ No physician referral needed



We Serve Individuals with

- Spinal Cord Injury
- Stroke
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Parkinson's Disease
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Limb Amputation
- Cerebral Palsy
- Arthrogryposis
- Spina Bifida
- Muscular Dystrophy





HOW





Time for an individual to develop the program...

...and money to run the program.



Our Team

- 5 FT & 6 PRN Staff
- Volunteers
- Family and Friends
- Participants
- Community Partners
- Students





WHERE

Variety of public and private partners

- YMCA
- City of Jacksonville
- Jacksonville Beach Golf Club
- Fort Caroline Archery Club
- Jacksonville Clay Target Sports
- Jacksonville University
- Microsoft Store
- Bowl America
- Qball Billiards
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield





WHEN

- Six days a week
- 13-15 activities a week
- Year-round versus seasonal sports programming

As an occupation based program, we want to enable participation in health promoting activities throughout the year. This is in contrast to a traditional competitive sports program that adheres to a seasonal calendar.



Health Promotion

Our program was developed to help enable people to take control of their health by recognizing the relationship between participation, health, well-being and quality of life.





Distinct Value

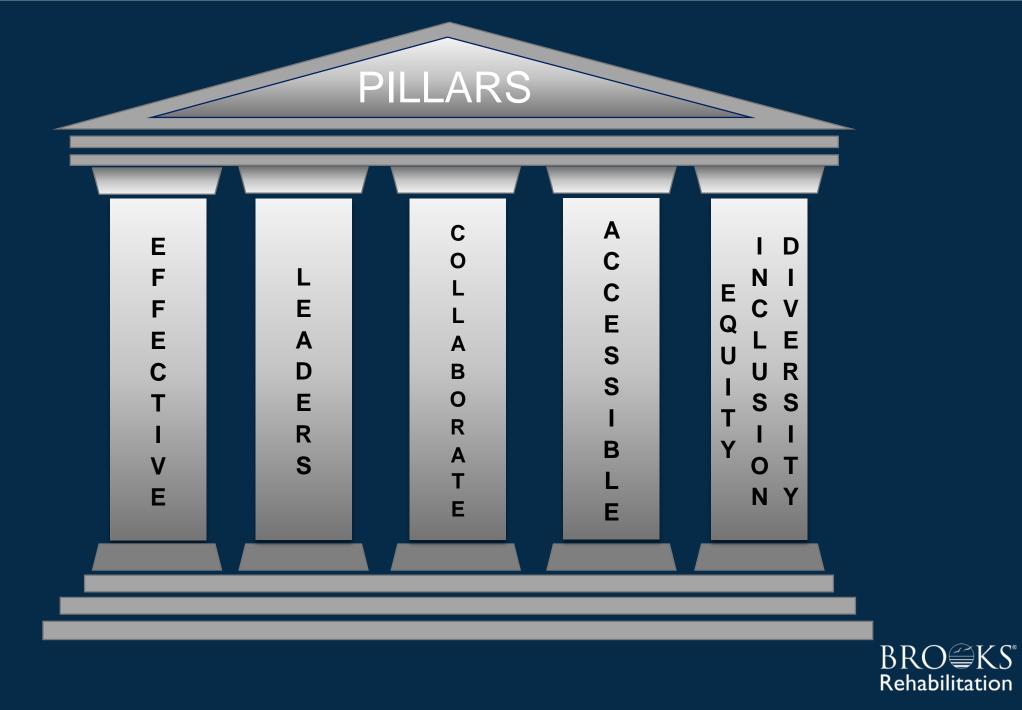
Occupational therapy's distinct value is to improve health and quality of life through facilitating participation and engagement in occupations, the meaningful, necessary, and familiar activities of everyday life. Occupational therapy is client-centered, achieves positive outcomes, and is cost-effective.



AOTA Vision 2025

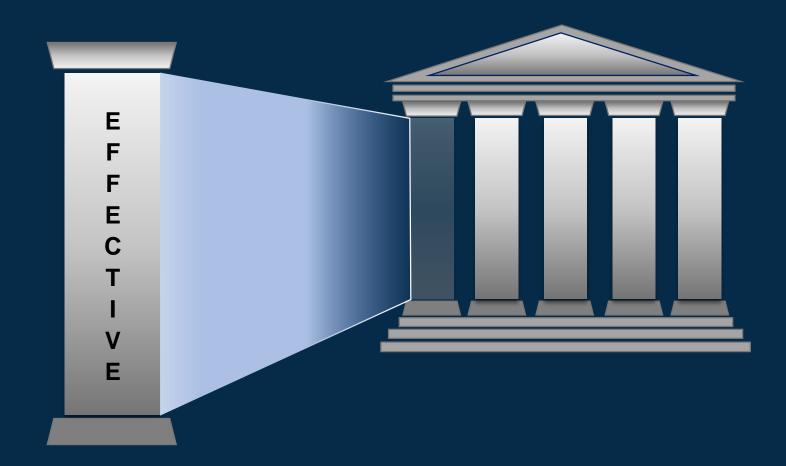
As an inclusive profession, occupational therapy maximizes health, well-being, and quality of life for all people, populations, and communities through effective solutions that facilitate participation in everyday living.



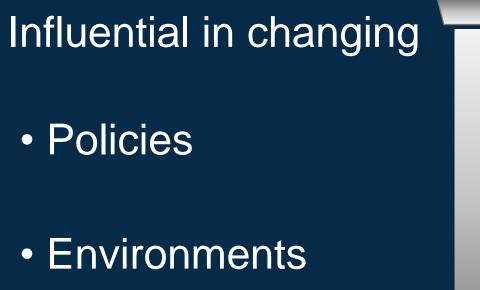




- Client centered
- Cost-effective







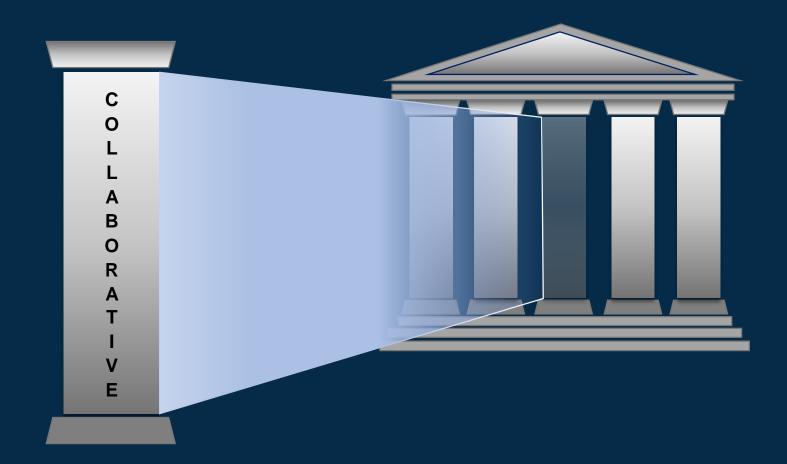
Complex systems





Working

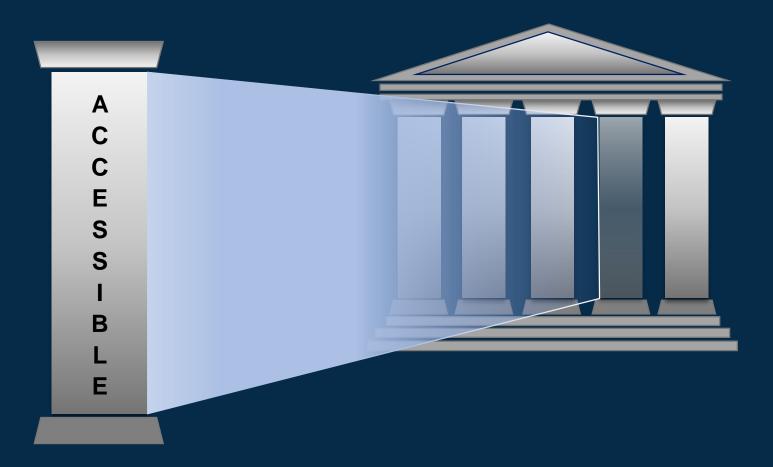
- With clients
- Within systems
- To produce effective outcomes



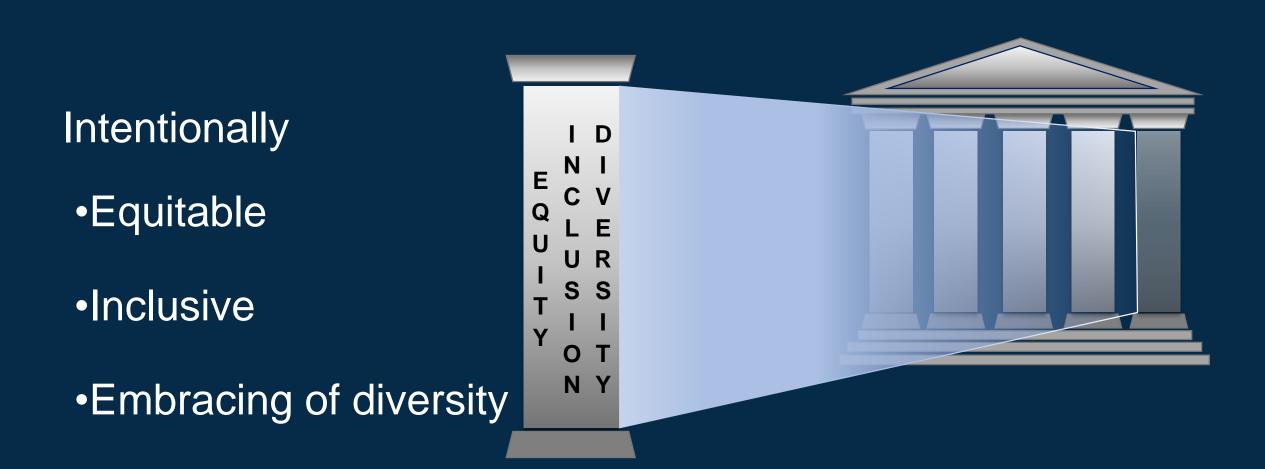


Culturally responsive

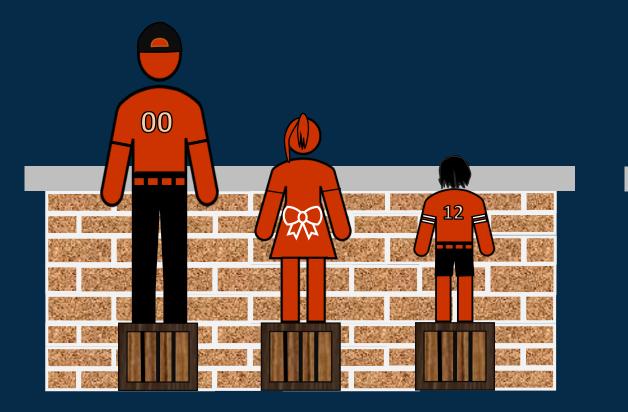
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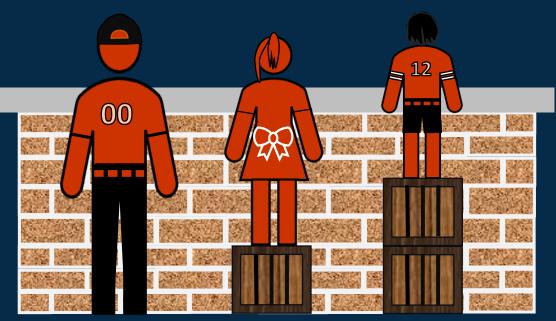












Equality





Nondiscrimination and Inclusion

Inclusion requires that we ensure not only that everyone is treated fairly and equally but also that they have the same opportunities to participate in naturally occurring activities of society to include social events, public transportation and recreation.

AOTA



To be able to translate this practice model using other occupations and with other populations to promote health, well-being, and quality of life.



Ground yourself in expertise using:

- The underpinnings of our profession found in AOTA's Official Documents.
- Evidence, either adding to body of knowledge for the profession or using in support of your program.
- Your Occupational Therapy experience.



Identify a population to serve.





- How do you know there is a need?
 - Look at data in your community
 - Census dataCDC-Centers for Disease ControlDepartment of HealthCommunity Health Needs Assessment
 - Form a focus group
 - Complete surveys



• Theory/model/frame of reference to serve as a guide

Influencing Brooks

- CMOP, Canadian Model of Occupational Performance
- MOHO, Model of Human Occupations
- PEOP, Person Environment Occupation Performance
- Occupational Adaptation
- KAWA



Identify an OCCUPATION to use therapeutically

- Baking
- Gardening
- Outdoor play
- Art
- Pottery
- Bicycle riding
- Hippotherapy
- Yoga



- Additional programs of OCCUPATION in action
 - Cupcake Bakery—Sarah Bellum's in Oregon
 Community Gardens
 Outdoor Play—outdoorkidsot.com in California





Commit to the integrity of the vision.



- Program evaluation initially.
- Numbers collected:
 - Unique individuals served
 - \checkmark Total participation = number of visits
 - ✓ Annual customer satisfaction survey
 - ✓ Annual interest survey
 - ✓ Quality of Life Tool from WHO
 - Initially
 - Six months
 - Twelve months



From Willard and Spackman

"The process of developing appropriate interventions and programs to address aspects of prevention and to promote health should follow several basic steps. Occupational therapy practitioners must

(1) understand the role of OT in health promotion and prevention and the potential to assist in making meaningful change,

(2) identify the clients' needs and wants,

(3) select an appropriate theory to guide reasoning and joint decision making,

(4) develop an intervention based on available evidence,

(5) ethically implement the intervention, and

(6) evaluate the program for effectiveness during and after the program is completed."



Barriers and Solutions to authentic occupation-centered practice.



Brooks Adaptive Sports and Recreation was initially BASED in Occupational Therapy, now it is INFORMED by Occupational Therapy.



Philosophical Differences

- Importance of the distinct value of Occupational Therapy.
- Cost difference between an Occupational Therapy professional and other skilled or non-skilled employees.



Budgetary Pressure

- Staffing

 -paygrade of individual
 -number of budgeted hours
- Managerial Responsibilities
 --marketing
 - --fundraising
 - --community partner development



The program grew too fast.

Recommend slow, strategic growth.



Lack of Facility

Effectiveness

--The vision of the program is improve health and quality of life and to support social, emotional and physical needs of our clients.

- -- Currently yoga is held once a week, where in a dedicated space, this could be offered five times a week to better serve our vision.
- --Opportunity for job coaching, supportive employment, employment and volunteerism again to serve our vision.

Efficiency

--One staff person could run multiple programs to serve more people.

--On-site storage would make better use of time. Currently 6 trailers, two storage units, one truck and one van which present logistical challenges with each event.



- Evidence gathered to date has not been effectively compiled.
- Questioned the sensitivity of the research tool used.
- Solution to gain evidence on effectiveness of program includes collaboration with research project being performed by Occupational Therapy professors at Jacksonville University.



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Videos

Brooks Adaptive Sports & Recreation Overview

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Recovery Through Adaptive Sports and Recreation

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BRO Sehabilitation

EFFECTIVE—evidence based

- 18.7% of the US population are living with a chronic disabling condition
- 4 ¹/₂ times less physically active than their non-disabled peers
- 70% chance of being obese as adults
- 190 billion dollars are spent annually on obesity related health complications
- Disabled are among the most marginalized groups in the world





Social Model of Disability

Disability is from environment and is simply a condition of life, not a deficit. Barriers to participation include:

- Financial
- Architectural
- Environmental
- Community Mobility
- Attitudinal
- Policy
- Legislative



- Lean into your passion.
 - Determined
 - Hard work
 - Immersion



Community

To be denied the capacity for potentially successful social participation is to be denied one's humanity.

Doyal and Gough



Inclusion is not a strategy to help people fit in to the systems and structures which exist in our societies; it is about transforming these systems and structures to make it better for everyone. Inclusion is about making a better world for everyone.

Diane Richler

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