

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT & PHYSIOTHERAPIST ASSISTANT EDUCATION ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

We are accepting applications from **recent graduates** of Occupational Therapist Assistant (OTA) and Physiotherapist Assistant (PTA) education programs to join the OTA & PTA EAP's **Joint Accreditation Committee**.

The Occupational Therapist Assistant and Physiotherapist Assistant Education Accreditation Program (OTA & PTA EAP) is responsible for the accreditation of Physiotherapist Assistant and Occupational Therapist Assistant Education programs in Canada.

The Joint Accreditation Committee (JAC) reviews accreditation materials from OTA & PTA programs and makes recommendations for accreditation awards. The committee also develops/revises policies and revises accreditation standards for approval by Physiotherapy Education Accreditation Canada (PEAC) and the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists (CAOT). The JAC membership comprises eight (8) to ten (10) individuals nominated from the following groups or organizations.

- Canadian Association of Occupational Therapy (CAOT) (2)
- Physiotherapy Education Accreditation Canada (PEAC) (2 – one member representing the physiotherapy regulators)
- Canadian Occupational and Physical Therapy Educators Council (2 – 1 occupational therapist OTA educator, 1 physiotherapist PTA educator)
- **Recent (within three years) OTA/PTA graduate (1)**
- The public (1)
- Ex Officio – OTA & PTA EAP Program Manager (1); CAOT staff (1); PEAC staff (1)

Eligibility Criteria:

The recent OTA/PTA member:

- Must have graduated within three years of appointment to the JAC
- Must be in clinical practice as an OTA/PTA
- Must have graduated from an education program with accreditation at the time of graduation
- Ability to read/write in French is preferred

Time Commitment:

The JAC meets face-to-face in twice per year (once in the west and once in east). There is considerable written material to review prior to each of these meetings in order to be prepared to fully participate. JAC members must be available to attend all meetings, and to contribute to the discussions and decisions.

Compensation:

Participation on the JAC is a volunteer activity. There is no compensation for time; however all expenses incurred for travel, accommodation and meals are reimbursed.

Term:

The term of office is 3 years. The term begins October 2017.

To Apply:

Please forward a resume and a statement of interest by **May 31, 2017** to:

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