OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSING GUIDE

ELIGIBILITY FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT LICENSE BY EXAMINATION (first license)

- Graduate from an occupational therapy educational program that is accredited by either the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) or the World Federation of Occupational Therapists (WFOT).
- Pass the TOEFL iBT if the occupational therapy education was not taught in English.
- Arrange for submission of verification of licensure in any state or U.S. territory where licensed, even if the license is no longer active.
- Achieve a passing score on the occupational therapist certification examination administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT).
- Schedule, complete, and pass the jurisprudence examination. Effective June 1, 2017 licensure candidates must take the jurisprudence examination through PSI. You may contact PSI to schedule your exam by visiting www.psiexams.com or by calling PSI at 800-733-9267.
- A fingerprint report and criminal background check are required. Fingerprints must be taken using the instructions and ID numbers that are sent to the applicant after the license application and fee are received.
- Submit the Occupational Therapist/Occupational Therapy Assistant by Examination Application found at http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-27417_27529_27545---,00.html with a $95.95 fee.

ELIGIBILITY FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT LICENSE BY ENDORSEMENT (currently licensed in another state)

If individual has been licensed in another state and have practiced for 5 years or MORE at the time they apply for licensure:

- Arrange for submission of verification of licensure in any state or U.S. territory where licensed, even if the license is no longer active.
- Contact the NBCOT to have examination scores sent to the Michigan Board.
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**ELIGIBILITY FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT LICENSE BY ENDORSEMENT**

*(currently licensed in another state)*

If individual has been licensed in another state and have practiced for LESS than 5 years at the time they apply for licensure:

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