

Occupational Health Practitioner (OHP) Certificate Frequently Asked Questions

1. Is this certificate program geared only towards currently practicing clinicians?

Answer: No. The OHP Certificate is intended to support best practices and recognize the expertise of physical therapists and occupational therapists engaged in a variety of roles for focus areas that are aligned with monograph topic areas covered in the prerequisite independent study courses. Other occupational health roles include *Clinical Researcher, Disability Case Consultant, Education Clinical Instructor, Education Program Instructor, Employer Consultant, Expert Witness for Litigation, Lifestyle Health Coach, and Provider Consultant*. The OHP Individual Profile and Search are intended to drive service opportunities for direct clinical care and other roles relevant to occupational health.

2. Is the content of this program specifically related to PT/OT practice or does it also look at broader concepts and non-clinical aspects of occupational health?

Answer: The 1st and 2nd Step Independent Study Courses contain useful educational content for consideration by a broad range of workplace health and safety professionals who support *Total Worker Health*® Protection and Promotion Programs. Professionals other than physical or occupational therapists that may benefit from taking these independent study courses include *occupational health nurses, occupational medicine physicians, environmental health and safety professionals, human resource professionals, and vocational rehabilitation professionals* with responsibilities for preventing needless work disability from personal or work-related health conditions.

3. May I register for the 32.W3 webinar course if I have not completed both pre-requisite independent study courses?

Answer: Yes. You may register for the course at any time. Registrants will not be assigned to a mentor or reserve a capstone presentation date until both OHP prerequisite courses are completed.

4. Are guests permitted to listen to the Capstone presentations for course 32.W3?

Answer: Yes; however, requests for guests attendance must be submitted at least 7 days prior to the presentation date by emailing orthoisc@orthopt.org.

5. When will I be notified that I “Passed” my Capstone presentation and satisfied the course expectations to receive the OHP Certificate of Achievement?

Answer: Review of your capstone presentation for acceptability and completion of the webinar course 32.W3 is required before a certificate of competency is issued. You will be notified of feedback during a follow-up with your mentor that is expected to occur within 30 days of the presentation. If your capstone presentation is graded as unacceptable, then the meeting with your mentor will establish a plan for addressing any deficits.

6. How will OHSIG members who earned the OHP Certificate of Achievement be promoted to external stakeholders?

Answer: OHSIG Members in good standing as an AOPT Member or Individual Partner, who earned the OHP Certificate of Achievement, will be listed in the OHP Directory with their peer-reviewed presentation focus area listed and a link to their abstract. Members must opt-in to this Search option and permit public access to their OHSIG Member Profile for viewing by external stakeholders. This is an OHSIG member-only benefit that

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encourages sharing presentations, networking, and opportunities for research and referrals with the Occupational Health Practitioner.

7. Is there an option for me to receive competence verification in more than one focus area?

Answer: Yes. OHSIG has established an option for members to receive recognition of competency in additional focus areas after achieving the OHP Certificate. The cost for mentorship and peer review of each additional focus area is \$245. This service may be initiated by emailing orthoisc@orthopt.org.

8. Who can I contact if I still have questions regarding the OHP Program?

Answer: Please email questions to orthoisc@orthopt.org.