

# **ACOTE® Statement on the Status of the OTA Mandate Decision**

## **Currently Being Held in Abeyance**

**December 6, 2017**

At the November 30–December 3, 2017, meeting of the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE®), the members reviewed the October 16, 2017, decision to hold the OTA mandate decision in abeyance.

Identifying and recognizing the need for additional comment, the Council approved the following additional opportunities for stakeholder feedback:

1. Host an Open Public Hearing to gather further input, particularly from practitioners, at the AOTA Annual Conference & Expo in Salt Lake City in **April 2018**;
2. Distribute a web-based survey from **March–June 2018** to gain further feedback from all stakeholder groups; and
3. Promote the opportunity for feedback to be submitted via the [acote-transitions@aota.org](mailto:acote-transitions@aota.org) e-mail box.

ACOTE® will review the additional data collected at its August 2018 meeting, and determine the status of the OTA mandate decision currently being held in abeyance.