

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**  
**OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** 3/15/2013

**PRESENT:** Sharon Crane, Gina Blanchard, Shantell Suane, Leah Lecompte, Kandice Jarreau, Beth Gleason

**ABSENT:** Regine Dade, Heather Canal, George Lacour

**CALL TO ORDER:** 9:00 A.M.

ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PARTY
Previous meeting's minutes	Distributed to members	Approved	OTAC
New Committee Members	Welcome Beth Gleason - approved for the Northwestern portion of Louisiana	Approved by LSBME	OTAC/LSBME
Discuss Committee Members Needed	Committee currently full at a total of 9 members		
Letter from Rita L. Arceneaux, CEA of LSBME to change rule for exam failure after 4 attempts	Discussion by committee to change rule	The OTAC at this time is not in favor of a rule change as the committee feels the current rule assures protection of the consumer and establishes a standard of competence among practitioners.	OTAC/LSBME
Letter from Emily Eisenhower, MD regarding Christine Dupre, LOTR	Discussion by committee for determination if there was a breach in Standard of Care	OTAC is committed to maintaining the Standard of Care in Louisiana. However, at the time of the first request, the committee felt there was insufficient documentation on the case submitted in order to make a final determination whether or not Christine Dupre breached the Standard of Care. OTAC is willing to make a determination once more pertinent clinical information is submitted as it relates to the patient in the case of question.	OTAC/LSBME
Telehealth	Is Occupational Therapy Telehealth allowed in Louisiana?	Occupational Therapy Telehealth is not allowed in the State of Louisiana at this time.	OTAC
Service Competency	Sample	A sample Service Competency is available online at the LSBME website as a guideline required annually for the supervising OT to evaluate and document the OTA's service competency to	OTAC

Service Competency (continued)	Sample (continued)	administer all OT services which are to be performed under his/her supervision.	OTAC
Activity Director/Activity Therapy	Does an OT need a physician order to perform Activity Therapy?	If Occupational Therapy is being performed under Activity Therapy – then yes – a physician order is required.	OTAC
Wound Care Debridement	Is wound care debridement in the OT Scope of Practice?	Yes, once competency is met and documented.	OTAC
Review of Chapter 49 & 19 Revisions	Revisions have been submitted to Dr. Marler and are ongoing.	Proposed for public notice in January	OTAC/LSBME
CEU Audits	10 total 10 approved		Ongoing by OTAC
Next Meetings	June 21, September 13, and November 8, 2013		OTAC