

# Terms of reference: Occupational therapy in primary care network

## Statement

The Royal College of Occupational Therapists (RCOT) has been working across the UK to drive, develop and support the emerging role of occupational therapy in primary care and GP surgeries. This is part of ensuring that the profession is positioned for the 21<sup>st</sup> century and able to intervene earlier to support people in their daily occupations. RCOT provides information on our website about the role of occupational therapy in primary care, has held events, promoted the role in OTNews and the British Journal of Occupational Therapy and has chosen it as one of the RCOT research priorities.

## Aim:

The aim of the virtual network is to support members by providing a regular newsletter and monthly CPD meetings. The focus is to promote the role, benefits and impact of occupational therapists in primary care. By signing up, you will automatically be added to the list for the email bulletin and receive invites to the monthly virtual meetings. Please be aware that we will send the email bulletins and meeting invites to the email address you sign up with.

Occupational therapists can be added to the network list if they:

- Are members of RCOT
- Work in primary care or are applying for work in this area
- Are developing business cases for primary care
- Are students or academics with an interest in this area
- Are researchers investigating this area

In line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) names and email addresses are not shared. The network has ground rules. These are:

- Everyone's email address and other contact details will not be shared without a person's consent
- You will receive an email update from RCOT approx. every 4 weeks – Please let us know if you want anything included in this.
- If someone wishes to share information or raise a question to the group then please send to [genevieve.smyth@rcot.co.uk](mailto:genevieve.smyth@rcot.co.uk).
- If you change your email address, please contact [practice.admin@rcot.co.uk](mailto:practice.admin@rcot.co.uk) with your new details as soon as possible
- Members can remove their name from the group at any time by contacting [practice.admin@rcot.co.uk](mailto:practice.admin@rcot.co.uk)

Thank you for participating in this network. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact [practice.admin@rcot.co.uk](mailto:practice.admin@rcot.co.uk).