

Stay Tuned for Upcoming Publications in AOTA's OT Practice Magazine

The May Issue of OT Practice Magazine features an article titled "Medicaid Advocacy News to Celebrate from California."

This article highlights the longstanding advocacy of Occupational Therapy Association of California (OTAC) members and fellow OTPs to include the role of occupational therapy in behavioral health; occupational therapists are now officially classified as licensed mental health professionals (LMHP) and Licensed Practitioners of the Healing Arts (LPHA) under Medi-Cal, California's Medicaid program.

The June Issue of OT Practice Magazine features a capital report and articles titled "The Growth and Recent Evolution of the ACA Marketplace" and "Medicaid Reimbursement Increase in Florida."

This capital report discusses the recent growth in ACA Marketplace enrollment, legislative investments made to make Marketplace coverage more affordable to the consumer, and how 2025 annual regulations impact occupational therapy services. Occupational therapy must be consistently included as part of the benefit design of insurance coverage for people to maintain their physical and behavioral health.

This article spotlights the Florida Occupational Therapy Association (FOTA) and their successful lobbying and advocacy efforts to include an increase in Medicaid reimbursement rates for occupational therapists in a recent Florida omnibus healthcare bill.