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Lead the Way Symposium

A free one-day professional
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Boston University
Occupational Therapy
Symposium 2010

**Monday, May 17, 2010
9:30am to 4:45pm**

635 Commonwealth Ave
Room SAR-101
Boston, MA 02215

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The Boston University programs in Occupational Therapy *lead the way* to occupational therapy being a widely recognized, science-driven, and evidence-based profession. The *Lead the Way* Symposium features a keynote speaker, our on-line post-professional Master of Science students presenting evidence summaries, our on-line Doctorate in Occupational Therapy students and graduates presenting their doctoral projects; our PTE members presenting a hands-on workshop; our entry-level MS students displaying their group leadership posters; and our faculty engaging in a lively panel discussion.

Keynote Speaker:

Ellen S. Cohn, ScD, OTR/L, FAOTA

Dr. Cohn instructs courses related to clinical reasoning, occupational therapy intervention, evidence-based practice, group leadership, and critical analysis of theory and research in health, adaptation, and disability. Her research focuses on parents' perspectives of intervention and outcomes, and living with and parenting children with a range of diagnostic conditions. She is currently a co-investigator for an interdisciplinary research project exploring health disparities and cross cultural explanatory models of health and illness funded by the Veterans' Administration. Additionally, she is a co-editor of *Willard and Spackman's Occupational Therapy* 11th edition. Recently, she served as a consultant to the AOTA Commission on Practice during their revision of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework (OTPF) and is currently a member of the Commission on Practice. She is a Fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association and an ad-hoc member of the AJOT Editorial Board.

Program:

- 9:30 Registration
Posters from Entry-level MS students' Group Leadership Experience (GLE)
- 10:00 **Keynote Address:** Dr. Ellen Cohn, ScD, OTR/L, FAOTA
Health Disparities: What's OT Got to Do With It?
- 11:00 Break
- 11:15 **Session 1:** On-line MS students' evidence summaries
Moderator: Nancy Lowenstein
- 12:15 **Lunch (on your own)**
Posters from Entry-level MS students' Group Leadership Experience (GLE)
- 1:30 **Session 2:** PTE workshop. Innovations in Technology for the Advancement of Occupational Therapy Professional Development
- 2:15 Break
- 2:30 **Session 3:** OTD students & graduates' doctoral projects
Julie Nastasi: **Specialty Level II Fieldwork in Low Vision Rehabilitation**
Kristen Maisano: **Effective Strategies to Decrease Disruptive Behaviors in Persons with Dementia**
Jackie Mayo: **Closing the Gap: Leading the Way towards Cultural and Linguistic Competence**
Tina Champagne: **A Weighted Blanket Competency Training Program for Adult Mental Health Service Provision**
Lillian Hamer: **Reduce Anxiety and Improve Scores on Examinations (RAISE)**
- 4:00 **Session 4:** Faculty presentations.
International Perspectives on Occupational Therapy for the Future
Faculty panelists: Sue Berger, Wendy Coster, Mary Evenson, Chris Helfrich, Karen Jacobs & Jessica Kramer
Moderator: Simone Gill
- 4:45 Symposium Concludes

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Directions to Boston University:

Boston University College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences: `Sargent College is located at 635 Commonwealth Ave, Boston, just outside of Kenmore Square. We are the 6-story building adjacent to the Granby Street Parking Lot (\$10/day, 617/353-2155). For directions to Boston University, visit our website at <http://www.bu.edu/maps/> (#31) or call the BU Information Center at 617-353-INFO.

For More Info:

Please visit our symposium website for presentation titles and specific times: <http://www.otdegree.com>

Registration and RSVP:

There is no charge to attend the symposium, but space is limited. Please RSVP by April 10 2010 to buotsymposium2010@embanet.com so handouts and refreshments can be reserved for you.

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