

2026 NMOTA Conference Agenda at a Glance

Friday, August 21, 2026 - 5:30-7:30 pm (Up to 2.0 CEUs for Friday)

Poster Presentations and Legislative Soirée: Meet and Greet -
Room: TBD

Research Posters to innovate your practice

Invite your legislators!



Saturday, August 22, 2026 - 7:30 to 5:00 (Up to 6.5 CEUs for Saturday)

University of New Mexico North Campus, Domenici Northeast Building; 1 Domenici Center NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106

Registration, Coffee/Breakfast/Exhibit Area open: Room 3720 7:30-8:15 am

Break Out Session One 8:15-9:15 (1.0 CEU)

Room: 3760	Room: 3740	Room: 3710	Room: 3706
Innovating the Everyday: Reading as Occupation in Vision Rehabilitation Karla Sternberg, OTR/L, SCLV, CLVT	Occupational Therapy's Role in Designating Risk of Future Cerebral Palsy Gerri A. Duran, PhD, MS, OT/L, FAOTA	Root-Cause Approaches to Chronic and Neuropathic Pain Shara Ogin, OTR/L CEAS, GCFP®	OT/AT - Writing a LMN for DME Robin Leinwand, MOT, OTR/L Hallie Taylor, OTD, OTR/L

Snack Break with Exhibitors: Room 3720 @ 9:15-9:30 in 3720

Keynote Session: 9:30-11:30 (2.0 CEU) Room: Auditorium

OT/AT - Roger O. Smith, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA, RESNA Fellow

What's Hot in Technology for Occupational Therapy: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

Professor Emeritus, Programs in Occupational Therapy, Science & Technology;
Director, Rehabilitation Research & Design for Disability (R2D2) Center at the
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; American Occupational Therapy Association
(AOTA) Eleanor Clarke Slagle Distinguished Lecture at the 100th Centennial of
Occupational Therapy Conference

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Saturday, August 22, 2026 - (Continued)

Break to gather for lunch 11:30 to 11:45 - Pick up your lunch from 3720

LUNCH: Annual Business Meeting with Lunch Provided @ 11:50-12:50 pm in 3740

Reports from the 100% volunteer board members

Break Out Session Two: 1:00-2:00 (1 CEU)

Room: 3760 Innovating Everyday Agency: Teaching Self-Advocacy through the Kawa Lens Heidi Sanders, PhD, OTR/L, Kathleen "Mo" Taylor, OTR/L	Room: 3740 Collaboration That Works: Practical Strategies for School-Based OT Teams Daniel Soliz, MAT, COTA/L	Room: 3710 OT/AT- 3D Printed Assistive Devices in Clinical Practice Anna Wilder, OTR/L	Room: 3706 Updates from the AOTA Commission on Practice, AOTA, and Local Legislative Issues Tim Dionne, Ph.D. OTR/L Carmen McClelland, MOTR/L, ECHM	Room: 2730 OT Lab Unlocking the Secrets of the Shoulder Complex - Part 1 Ginny Rossberg, MOTR/L
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Snack Break with Exhibitors: Room 3720 @ 2:00-2:15

Break Out Session Three: 2:15-3:15 (1.0 CEU)

Room: 3760 Birth Is Not Exempt: Standardizing Acute Postpartum Rehabilitation Nadya Loughrey, OTR/L, TIPH	Room: 3740 OT/AT- Assistive Technology: Using Tools to Enable Any Student to Succeed Melodye Thomas, OTD, OTR/L	Room: 3710 OT/AT- From Function to the Front Seat: The Role of the Generalist OT Cheri Quinton, OTR/L, DRP	Room: 3706 NBCOT® National Certification Exam: Information You Need to Know Kelly Kelley, OTD, OTR/L	Room: 2730 OT Lab Take an Innovative Deep Dive into the Shoulder - Part 2 Ginny Rossberg, MOTR/L
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Plenary Session: 3:25-4:55 (1.5 CEU) Room: 3740

OT/AT - Plenary Session - Dr. Suzanne Burns, PhD, OTR/L

From the Lab to the Living Room: Co-Designing Digital Technology With Aging Adults and People With Disabilities

Associate Professor UNM School of Medicine, OT Grad Program
Dr. Burn's has researched the development, testing, and implementation of mobile health (mHealth) assessments and interventions to improve community living outcomes for people with disabilities.

[Link & QR to Session Descriptions](#)

