

OTA Education Ambassador Program

The OTA Education Ambassador Program was established to further advance the OTA's mission of promoting excellence in care for the injured patient through provision of scientific forums and support of musculoskeletal education and research. This includes expanding the international reach of OTA's orthopaedic trauma education and collaboration through participation in the educational events of other societies and institutions. Education Ambassadors are OTA member volunteers who have been selected to represent the OTA in an educational teaching and liaison capacity. Ambassadors are selected based on their proven leadership skills, orthopaedic trauma expertise, past experience and ability to uphold the OTA's highest standards of orthopaedic trauma education and research.

OTA Education Ambassadors

Responsibilities

- Represent the OTA as guest faculty at educational events where OTA participation is requested (faculty assignments will be based on each Education Ambassador's country or region of practice, with a goal of assigning guest faculty/liaisons to congresses/meetings in proximate location).
- All costs associated with attending the meeting would be the responsibility of the ambassador.
- Fulfill invitation requests including collaboration in symposium/topic generation, creating requested presentations, and participating and speaking at educational events.
- Promote OTA collaboration at each congress/meeting in which they participate, including sharing OTA education, research and membership information.
- Complete a short post-event report form.

Qualifications

• Must be an OTA Member for a minimum of 5 years, or must be a current OTA member and a member of an IOTA Society for a minimum of 5 years. Preference will be given to delegates from IOTA member societies.

- Must have attended at least 3 OTA Annual Meetings in the past 5 years (or if a member of an IOTA Society, may have attended at least 2 OTA Annual Meetings in the past 5 years, plus 2 of their IOTA Society Meetings).
- Must provide the OTA with a minimum of 2 letters of recommendation.
- Must be willing to accept a two-year OTA Education Ambassador term. At the end of the two-year term delegates may be reappointed for a second two-year term.
- Recommended that candidates be proficient in English and the language of an IOTA or other region where international meetings will be held.

Benefits

- Ambassadors are selected based on their proximate location and participation at the Congress/Meeting of the inviting organization and are therefore expected to pay all costs to attend the meeting.
- Education Ambassadors will receive complimentary registration fees to the OTA Annual Meeting for the year in which they attend an outside meeting as an OTA Education Ambassador.
- Education Ambassadors will be recognized and acknowledged by the OTA for their service and dedication to the advancement of orthopaedic trauma education (this will include presentation of a plaque, pending participation in at least one meeting).

(note: Education Ambassador selection will be limited to targeted regional locations, including but not limited to IOTA Society countries. There will be a maximum of 4 Education Ambassadors per country).

Become an OTA Education Ambassador!

- OTA Education Ambassador application is available on the OTA website.
- Applications will be reviewed twice a year by the International Committee (Specialty Day and OTA Annual Meetings).

(note: OTA Education Ambassadors shall be selected by the OTA International Committee, and approved by the OTA Board of Directors).