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"The future of the Model of Human Occupation: from individual practice to global measurement of participation outcomes."

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Dr. Hiromi Nakamura is an Associate Professor at Graduate school and Department of Occupational Therapy, Saitama Prefectural University, Japan. Her research interests are the Model of Human Occupation, community-based occupational therapy for older people and health promotion for community-dwelling older people through multi-disciplinary collaborative projects.



Dr. Patricia Scott

Dr. Patricia Scott, PhD, MPH, OT, FAOTA comes to us from the United States where she holds a dual appointment as an Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy in the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, and as an Adjunct Associate Professor of Medicine both at Indiana University. She has extensive clinical experience in Mental Health settings with adolescents and adults as well as forensic hospitals and prisons.

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Hiromi Nakamura & Patricia Scott are two experts of the Model of Human Occupation and were engaged in research with Gary Kielhofner. They will give an insight of their expertise and current projects concerning the Model of Human Occupation.

The Japanese OT lecturer Hiromi Nakamura presents how occupational therapists in her country base their practice on the Model of Human Occupation. Within a range of research projects they use the MOHO assessments to measure occupational performance in order to show the effect of their interventions. Dr. Nakamura will also address the future of MOHO rising from individual practice to global measurement of participation outcomes.

Roles are what connect us to society. Client participation in valued roles is the desired outcome of occupational therapy interventions. In this presentation Dr. Patricia Scott will share her specific work on the modification of the Role Checklist to be more sensitive to, and capture the patient perception of their role performance. This is important work towards operationalizing the patient centered aspect of measurement in the Model of Human Occupation. She will share the initial work of an international group of scholars: the International Alliance for the study of Role Participation or IRAP, and discuss future directions which have the potential to move occupational therapy to the table in the global initiatives to measure participation in persons with disabilities.

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