

**Minutes**  
**CAOT-BC Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**November 26, 2018: 430pm-600pm**

**Present:** Rishma, Anisa, Donna, Laura, Katie, Sarah, Carlyn, Ashley, Tanya, Shelly, Kelly

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

**2. Approval of the Minutes (October 1, 2018)**

**a. Approved**

**3. Roundtable**

- a. Donna - Fieldwork coordinator at UBC. On the road. Kamloops, Kelowna. Want to talk about CAOT leadership - lost out board member, what role can AC play in supporting board member representation?
- b. Anisa - private OT- expresses interest in applying as board member. Shares concern that interest in CAOT is low with colleagues. Excited about ICBC rate increase!
- c. Devon - work going well, getting busier. Holding steady at home with the two kids.
- d. Katie - MOT1 rep. Preparing for placement. Looking forward to learning about the AC.
- e. Tanya - new managing director. Wants to get a sense of the AC, learn and observe.
- f. Carlyn - MOT2 rep. On placement in AB. Just finished the gOT spirit challenge : <https://www.facebook.com/gOTspirit2018/videos/541541012983975/>
- g. Ashley - UofA rep 2nd year. Finishing up semester and heading to placement in January. Continuing to work on research projects.
- h. Rishma - Public/private OT. Fall prevention program applying for research grant - what are the barriers to clients implementing behaviour change? Looking forward to hosting a student in January.
- i. Sarah - Service Coordinator with CAOT-BC. Moving on Wed to the Nanoose Bay on the Island and will also be working with Symmetry Rehab in Nanaimo area.
- j. Shelley - private OT. Interested in changes in ICBC, definitions of injury and the implications for OT (eg. defining severity of injury based on function). Introduction of new care advisors. How will OTs fit with the new model?
- k. Kelly Bethune - public/private OT - Island Health Community Resource Team, Comox Valley. Helps to coordinate placements in community practice. Also

part time in own practice. Wondering best way to share information from Island Health and partner with CAOT/AC.

- I. Laura - AC Chair, private OT Sahara Rehab and completing PhD at UBC and do some teaching. Also involved in a variety of practice networks for BC and nationally. Currently planning a disability studies conference in Vancouver this summer. Looking forward to the Wellness Show in February.

#### **4. Advisory Committee Goal/Objective Setting**

##### Review of Advisory Committee Activities 2016-2018

- Support in CAOT Conference 2018 planning
- Review and feedback on CAOT-BC infographics
- Review and feedback on Advisory Committee Reference Manual
- Review and approval of Research & Education grant application documents
- Creation of the CAOT-BC Dianna Mah-Jones Memorial Grant for Innovation
- Review and feedback on CAOT-BC Issue papers
- Representation at Early Arthritis Triage Strategy Planning Session
- Representation at meeting w/ Seniors Advocate
- Response submitted to COTBC re: Professional Liability Insurance Minimum
- Support in co-ordinating CAOT-BC Region Visits/Forums
- Development and completion of Advisory Committee feedback survey
- Poster presentation at CAOT Conference 2018

##### *Suggestions from previous years to improve:*

- a. Goal setting as a group
- b. More clear orientation for AC members
- c. Review and discuss the role of committee members
- d. Take opportunity to gather more information from other CAOT-BC members

##### Other ideas for deliverables:

- Needs assessment - why do people not join CAOT-BC? What are their needs? What are the general needs of OTs in BC? How can CAOT-BC support them?
- Update education opportunities for members and BC therapists
- Explore options to bring interest and excitement to members
  - Communicate value, bring fun into the organization
- Deliver a CAOT BC activity - host a break, event, promote CAOT BC - communicate the value and provide opportunities to have people share their needs
- Communications survey going out to determine best communication channels

## 5. Other Business

ICBC Update - April 1 2019 start. <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018AG0092-002177> and [https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/ICBC\\_product\\_change\\_regulations.pdf](https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/ICBC_product_change_regulations.pdf) for all details. CAOT-BC will be facilitating information out to therapists in BC along with ICBC. ICBC will provide training for documentation, invoicing, etc... Tanya will help keep us posted.

EHB Task Group Update - group seeks to increase access to OT via EHB plans

CAOT-BC was present at WorkSafeBC employee health and wellness fair; WSBC employees don't currently have access to OT. Spoke with president of employees union - will likely be bring this to bargaining table

Group member had OT added to union (electrical workers union) and will push for it to be added to Fortis group.

HSA has been considered - need some support to bring to bargaining. CAOT-BC creating templates for members to send to their union rep. Ask for OT is campaign from CAOT.

## 6. Meeting schedule

**(4:00-5:30pm by GoToMeeting/teleconference)**

**ACTION: By mid January** [Goal by next meeting: complete goal list \(Mid Jan 2019\)](#)

February 4, 2019 -

April 1, 2019

June 10, 2019

September 9, 2019

Other notes: What can CAOT do with the gOT spirit challenge? What role can AC play in promoting OT and CAOT-BC. CAOT is a big part of why we're seeing changes at ICBC