

2022 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	Lynda Jennings, OTR, RAC-CT, CDP
OTA of the Year	Vicki Lee Thomas, COTA,
Roster of Merit	Terra Ruppert, PhD, OTR
Roster of Merit	William Sit, PhD, OTR
Roster of Merit	Patricia Tully, OTR, ATP
Letter of Appreciation	Esther Bell, MA, OTR, FAOTA
Letter of Appreciation	Jaclyn F Low, OTR, PhD (Ret)
Award for Clinical Excellence	Gloria A. Brown, OTR, MS, CHT
Clinical Educator of the Year	Matt Wymore, OTD, OTR, CHT, COMT
Honorary Life Member	Mary Leary Hennigan, OTR, MBA
Honorary Life Member	Theresa Powers, OTR
Academic Educator of the Year Award	Alicia Lohmann, OTD, OTR, CBIS
Student Leadership Award	Marcelo Pena
Horizon Award	Brittney Burton, OTR, MOT, CSRS

2021 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	Megan Frazier, OTR, MS, DRS
Roster of Merit	Robin V. Clearman, OTR, CLT
Honorary Life Member	Cindy Brosig, OT, CHT
Horizon Award	Clarissa Medrano, OTR, MOT
Distinguished Service	Sharon Hennigan, OTR, MA, CCM Kira E. Beal, OTR, Ed.D, OTD, CLT
Letter of Appreciation	Eileen Garza, OTR, ATP/SMS, PhD, FAOTA
Interdisciplinary Team Award	Loree Pryor OTD, OTR John W. Davis, STV Clinics Coordinator N. Miles Farr MD, MPH Janet Enderle, PhD, MLS(ASCP) Daneen Nastars, DHSc, RRT, RRT-ACCS
Academic Educator of the Year	Katherine Lawson, OTR, LMSSW, PhD
Clinical Educator of the Year	Loree Pryor, OTR, OTD

Student Leadership Award	Dulce Paredes Rachel Perez Jennifer Sanchez-Morales
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2020 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	William Sit, Ph.D, OT, BCPR
Honorary Life Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jean Polochino, OTR, MS, FAOTA • Leonard Sobel, OTR, MOT • Sophie Rydin, Ph.D., OT • O Jayne Bowman, Ph.D., OT • Ruth Dodds, OTR
Distinguished Service	Diane Collins, Ph.D, OT Kathlyn Reed, PhD., OTR, MLIS, FAOTA
Interdisciplinary Team Award	Radford and Patricia Crocker Rehabilitation and Reintegration Occupational Therapy Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patricia Crocker • Laurie, Stelter, Ph.D., OTR • Yana Cobb, OTR • Michael Washington, COTA • Lannette Linthicum, M.D. • Beverly Echolsm MA, LPC, LBSW • Jodie Edmond, MA, LPC • Val Bass, MS, LPC
Academic Educator of the Year	Patricia Fingerhut, Ph.D, OTR
Student Leadership Award	Westen Decker (UTMB)

2019 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	Keegan McKay, OTR, MOT, OTD
Roster of Merit	Charlene Baize, OTR
Distinguished Service	Lorie Lynn Fike, MS, OTR, CHT, LTC
Clinical Educator of the Year	Paul Ivan Martinez, OTR
Clinical Excellence	Katharine Springer, OTR, MOT, MEd
Interdisciplinary Team Award	Rehabilitation Services Volunteer Project: Theresa Gregoria Torres, OTR, ATP Patricia Tully, OTR, ATP

Academic Educator of the Year	Shirley A. Wells, DrPH, OTR, FAOTA
Student Leadership Award	Clarissa Medrano (UTEP)
Horizon Award	Kathryn Crane, OTR, MS

2018 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	John Luna, OTR, OTD
OTA of the Year	Christine Hamilton, OTA
Roster of Merit	Helen Cohen, EdD, OTR, FAOTA
Letter of Appreciation	Maj. Erik Johnson, OTR
Clinical Educator of the Year	Kelly Parmet, COTA
Clinical Excellence	Kim Broussard, OTR, MOT, OTD, MSW
Interdisciplinary Team Award	ALS Team at Houston Methodist Hospital Neurologists: Dr. Stanley Appel Dr. Ericka Simpson OT: Pam Glazener, OTR, ATP PT: Chara Lally SP: Carolyn Martinez Dietary: Dena Furman SW: Rebecca Axline Clinic Coordinator: Karen Toenis, RN Pulmonologist: Dr. Venessa Holland
Academic Educator of the Year	Lisa Simon, OTR
Student Leadership Award	Amy Louise Honeck
Horizon Award	Adele Brunson, OTR, MOT

2017 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	Serena Speaker, OTR, SCLV
OTA of the Year	DeAnna Scapperotti, COTA
Roster of Merit	Timothy Reistetter, PhD, OTR, FAOTA
Letter of Appreciation	Riccio Alvarenga, Steve Carter, Autumn Clegg, Mary Hennigan, Debbie Mincher, Gerry Nichols, Joyce Pfeiderer, Bridgett Piernik, Deborah Ridener, Shubhangi Sharma, Lea Weiss
Clinical Educator of the Year	DeAnna Scapperotti, COTA
Clinical Excellence	Stephanie Johnston, OTR, MA, FOATA

Interdisciplinary Team Award	UT Health San Antonio ALSA Clinic Kim Jones, LMSW Pamela Kittrell, RN Karen Martin, RD Stephen Morse, ALS Association Representative Deb Meyers, PT Fernando Ortiz, RT Linda Quiroz, ALS Association Representative Lori Tyler, SLP Rich Wettsein, RT
Academic Educator of the Year	Tina Fletcher, EdD Rocio Alvarenga, OTR
Distinguished Service Award	Anna Haertling, OTR MOT, CLT
Honorary Life Membership	Gayle Hersch, PhD, OTR

2016 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	Francie Baxter, PhD, OT, FAOTA
OTA of the Year	Kelly Parmet, COTA
OTR/COTA Collaboration Award	Cynthia Tiongco, OTR, MOT Sheika Joy, COTA
Roster of Merit	Cecilia Fierro, OTR, OTD
Letter of Appreciation	Steven Carter, Robin Clearman, Larry T. Duron, Rachelle Elliot, Shari Felton, Cecilia Fierro, Troy Goynes, Dwain Ray Klostermann, Timothy A. Reistetter, Ross Rickett, Judy Skarbek, Jason Stark
Clinical Educator of the Year	Monica Clark, OTR, MOT, OTD
Clinical Excellence	O Jayne Bowman, MS, PhD, OT
Interdisciplinary Team Award	Renee Bogschutz, PhD,, CCC-SLP Jessica Carpenter, MOTS Craig D. Cox, PharmD, FCCP, BCPS Dawndra Meers Sechrist, PhD, OTR Sandra M. Whisner, PhD, OTR
Academic Educator of the Year	Diane Brown, PhD, OTR
Student Leadership Award	Victoria Martyn, MOTS
Distinguished Service Award	Adele Brunson, OTR, MOT

Distinguished Service - 10 Years	Debbie Mincher, BS
Horizon Award	Catherine Graves, OTR, MOT
Honorary Life Membership	Regina Campbell, OTR, MS, FAOTA

2015 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	Robin Clearman, OTR
Distinguished Service Award	Sandra Whisner, PhD, OTR Claudette Fette, PhD, OTR Connie Daby, MHS, OTR
Distinguished Service - 15 Years	Mary Hennigan, OTR, MBA
Distinguished Service - 5 Years	Kami Lusson
Roster of Merit	Marsha Neville, PhD, OTR
Certificate of Appreciation	Kathy Hutto, Ping Law, OTR, MBA, FACHE, Leonette Toone, MSED, OTR, Tara Alexander, BS, OTR/L, CPC, Kira Beal, OTR, OTD, CPAM, CLT, Judith Joseph, OT, Eric Bass, OT, Elizabeth Holland, OTA, Cynthia Tiongco, OTR, MOT
Award for Clinical Excellence	Autumn Clegg, MSOT, OTR, CBIS
Clinical Educator of the Year	Riqiea Kitchens, OTR
Honorary Life Membership	Harriet Davidson, MA, OTR
Interdisciplinary Team Award	UT San Antonio Health Science Center Karin Barnes, PhD, OTR Autumn Clegg, MSOT, OTR, CBIS Bridgett Piernik-Yoder, PhD, OTR
Academic Educator of the Year	Ricky Joseph, PhD, OTR
Student Leadership Award	Katherine Hahn, OTS
Horizon Award	Anna Haertling, OTR
TOTA Legislator of the Year	Representative Garnet Coleman

2014 Award Recipients

OT of the Year	Mack Ivy, OTR, MOT
OTA of the Year	Sally Harris, COTA
Roster of Merit	Sophie Rydin, OTR, PhD
Clinical Educator of the Year	Kira Beal, OTR, OTD
Honorary Life Membership	Jaelyn F. Low, OTR, PhD, FAOTA

Interdisciplinary Team Award	Texas Tech University â€” Cynthia Tiongco, OTR, MOT
Academic Educator of the Year	Terra Ruppert, OTR, PhD
Student Leadership Award	Adele Kurt Brunson, MOT Student

2013 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Leonette Toone, OTR, MSED
Roster of Merit	Cecelia Maynor, COTA
Certificate of Appreciation	Judi Jenkins Joseph, Gulf Coast East Chair 2009-2013
Award for Clinical Excellence	Occupational Therapy Center, Inc.
Clinical Educator of the Year	Tricia Peters, OTR, MOT
Honorary Life Membership	Lynne C. Tupper, OTR, MPH, MOT
Interdisciplinary Team Award	Heather Nichols, Tomball ISD Special Education
Academic Educator of the Year	Eugenia Catalina Gonzalez, OTR, PhD
Horizon Award	Michelle Fonseca, OTR

2012 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Judith Jenkins Joseph, OTR, MA
Distinguished Service Award	Sophie Rydin, OTR, PhD
Roster of Merit	Mary Frances Baxter, PhD , OT, FAOTA
Letter of Appreciation	Lois Nance, MA, LPC, LMFT
Clinical Educator of the Year	Carolyn Marie Pena, OTR
Honorary Life Membership	Suzanne Peloquin, OTR, PhD, FAOTA
Interdisciplinary Team Award	University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center ICU Early Mobilization Program
Academic Educator of the Year	Noralyn Pickens, PhD, OT
Student Leadership Award	Kara Kincaid, OTS
Horizon Award	Ursel Lovett, OTR
Service Recognition Award	Lynda Jennings, OTR Richard Cheng, JD, OTR Bridgett Piernik-Yoder, PhD, OTR April Arnold, COTA Jennifer Hughes, OTR

2011 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Lauro Munez
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Distinguished Service Award	Richard Cheng Virginia Dykes J. Roland Dykes
Roster of Merit	Jaclyn F. Low Terri R. Gonzalez
Award for Clinical Excellence	Pam Glazener
Clinical Educator of the Year	Joanne Ripple
Academic Educator of the Year	Emily Haltiwanger
Student Leadership Award	April Arnold
Horizon Award	Jennifer Hughes
Service Recognition Award	Judy Skarbek Debora Ridener Leonette Toone Constance Daby Vanessa Richardson Debbie Mincher

2010 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Judy Skarbek
Distinguished Service Award	Judith Jenkins
Roster of Merit	Eileen Garza
Letter of Appreciation	Gretchen Stone
Award for Clinical Excellence	F. Kay Brown Michael Simpson
Clinical Educator of the Year	Sally Harris
Honorary Life Membership	Kathlyn L. Reed
COTA/OTR Collaboration Award	Kelly Strome Cecelia Maynor
Academic Educator of the Year	Bridgett Piernik-Yoder
Student Leadership Award	Annie H. Chen

Service Recognition Award	Joni McGhee Rachelle Stevens Ping Law
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2009 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Mary Hennigan
COTA of the Year	Michelle McKamy
Distinguished Service Award	Len Sobel
Roster of Merit	Stephanie Johnston
Letter of Appreciation	Donna Weimaker Dwain Klostermann Cheryl Cleary Mary Francis Baxter
Clinical Educator of the Year	Vivianne Yang
Academic Educator of the Year	Alison Beck
Student Leadership Award	Andrea Dulworth
Service Recognition Award	Joan Bell Eileen Garza

2008 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Claudette Fette
Distinguished Service Award	Sophie Rydin Mack Ivy
Roster of Merit	Lynne C. Tupper
Clinical Educator of the Year	OT Staff-Memorial Hermann/TIRR
Honorary Life Membership	Virginia White
Interdisciplinary Team Award	1st Texas Home Health Agency
Academic Educator of the Year	Carolyn Cantu, OTA Marsha Neville-Smith, OTR

2007 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Constance Daby
Distinguished Service Award	Bobby J. Vasquez Cecelia Fierro Mack Ivy & Tomball HS Life Skills Class
Roster of Merit	Jaclyn F. Low

Letter of Appreciation	Garden Terrace of Houston Shriners Hospital for Children - Houston
Interdisciplinary Team Award	Take Action for Better Solutions -Quentin Mease Community Hospital
Student Leadership Award	Jennifer M. Cable

2006 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Jackie Low
Roster of Merit	Joan E. Bell Cindy Brosig Harriett Davidson Dwain Klostermann Teri Powers
Letter of Appreciation	Margarette Shelton Gerry Nichols
Clinical Educator of the Year	Lucy Aguirre-Kelley
Academic Educator of the Year	Regina M. Campbell Stephanie Johnston
Student Leadership Award	Kathryn Flowers

2005 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Evie Harness
COTA of the Year	Betsy Stroder
Roster of Merit	Edward E. Beaty Jr. Judith E. Bowen
Letter of Appreciation	Christina Chapa Joanne Naylor Rachel Ramirez Joan Bell Lauro Munoz
Award for Clinical Excellence	Toni Houge
Clinical Educator of the Year	Dalaine B. Fletcher
COTA/OTR Collaboration Award	Sally White
Student Leadership Award	Loraine Bernal

2004 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Margaret Wise
COTA of the Year	Rachel Ramirez
Distinguished Service Award	Jackie Houck Lauro Munoz
Roster of Merit	Shirley Wells
Letter of Appreciation	Helen Cohen
Award for Clinical Excellence	MD Anderson Cancer Team
Clinical Educator of the Year	Jan Hunter
Academic Educator of the Year	Karin Barnes Francie Baxter

2003 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Joan Bell
COTA of the Year	Christina Gallardo
Distinguished Service Award	Donna Barnett Dwain Klosterman
Letter of Appreciation	Constance Daby Gerry Nichols Rachel Ramirez Linda Singleton
Academic Educator of the Year	Tana L. Hadlock

2002 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Catherine Benavidez
COTA of the Year	Suzanne M. Krenek
Distinguished Service Award	Leonard Sobel
Roster of Merit	Elizabeth A. Flores Kathlyn L. Reed
Award for Clinical Excellence	Ping-Kwong Law The OT Center, Inc.
Clinical Educator of the Year	Karen A. Kunz
Honorary Life Membership	Gretchen M. Schmalz
Academic Educator of the Year	Judith E. Bowen
Student Leadership Award	Suzanne M. Krenek

2001 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Eileen Garza
Distinguished Service Award	Agusta Gelfand University of Texas at El Paso Faculty
Letter of Appreciation	Luann Rasario Linda Veale & Covenant Health System
Clinical Educator of the Year	Judy Robinson
Honorary Life Membership	Donald Davidson
Academic Educator of the Year	Elizabeth Flores
Service Recognition Award	Jamie Dolzenack Michael Rodriquez Lauro Munoz Mack Ivy Elizabeth Flores Terry Powers Gary Wade

2000 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Susan Lemke
COTA of the Year	Larry Duron
Roster of Merit	Tana L. Hadlock Gerry Nichols
Award for Clinical Excellence	Mack Ivy
Clinical Educator of the Year	Cindy Brosig
Academic Educator of the Year	Gale Haradon
Student Leadership Award	Carolyn M. Gaona

1999 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Bridgett Piernik-Yoder
COTA of the Year	Cecelia Maynor
Distinguished Service Award	OT Dept. - VA Hosptial of North Texas
Roster of Merit	Adele G. Polk Dianna D. Puccetti Barbara W. Rose
Award for Clinical Excellence	Lauro Munoz
Interdisciplinary Team Award	Intensive Outpatient Geriatric Program - UTMB Galveston

Academic Educator of the Year	Suzanne Peloquin
Student Leadership Award	Betsy Stroder
Service Recognition Award	Joy Vaughn

1998 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Dwain Klostermann
Roster of Merit	Beatriz C. Abreu Georgiann F. Laseter
Clinical Educator of the Year	Joan Bell
Honorary Life Membership	Esther Bell
COTA/OTR Collaboration Award	Cindy Hammecker Catherine Letinich Babette Lemons
Academic Educator of the Year	Dr. Gretchen Schmalz
Student Leadership Award	Christine Valdez

1997 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Jean Polichino
COTA of the Year	Madelon R. Tryon
Distinguished Service Award	Christine Foran Kathy Hutto
Roster of Merit	Nancy L. Griffin Rosalyn C. Fisher
Award for Clinical Excellence	Michael Rodriguez
Clinical Educator of the Year	Imelda Burns
COTA/OTR Collaboration Award	Sally Robinson Sheila Brose Kim Conner-UTMB
Academic Educator of the Year	Jaclyn Low
Service Recognition Award	Victor Pascali

1996 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Dr. Janette Schkade Dr. Sally Schultz
Distinguished Service Award	Gary Wade Cindi Kenady

	Georgiann Leseter Randy Batsven
Roster of Merit	Dorit H. Aaron Regina M. Campbell Sheree G. Jarrell
Award for Clinical Excellence	Upper Extremity Specialists, Inc.
Clinical Educator of the Year	Gail Lane
COTA/OTR Collaboration Award	Rochelle Lefton Carmen Flores
Academic Educator of the Year	Jean Cole Spencer

1995 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Paul Ellsworth
Distinguished Service Award	Jean Polichino
Roster of Merit	Esther Bell
Award for Clinical Excellence	Caryl Washburn
Clinical Educator of the Year	Theresa Powers
Honorary Life Membership	Grace Gilkeson
Academic Educator of the Year	Suzanne Peloquin
Service Recognition Award	Judy Flagle Sher Harnish Rita Handley Bobby Vasquez Melinda McGouldrick

1994 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Sheree L. Jarrell
Distinguished Service Award	Augusta Gelfand
Roster of Merit	Grace E. Gilkeson Linda D. Veale Rita K. Handley Linda D. Veale Carl Westhause
Letter of Appreciation	George W. Wharton Tamara Steward
Award for Clinical Excellence	Anne Mercier Woodson

Clinical Educator of the Year	Terry Jackson
Honorary Life Membership	Cary Westhause
Academic Educator of the Year	Janette K. Schkade

1993 Award Recipients

Roster of Merit	Donald A. Davidson Karen Hardwick Cynthia G. Jones Gretchen M. Schmalz
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1992 Award Recipients

No information available.

1991 Award Recipients

OTR of the Year	Barbara Winthrop Rose
Distinguished Service Award	Cindy Pulte Brosig Eileen R. Garza
Letter of Appreciation	Nancy Kozak Catherine Carranza Dr. David Mallams Dr. Susan Van de Water
Award for Clinical Excellence	Susan Lipton Garber