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Foundation Announces Opening of 2012-13 Scholarship Competition

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Bethesda, Maryland – The American Occupational Therapy Foundation (AOTF) is pleased to announce that it is accepting applications for its 2012-13 scholarship awards. AOTF awards more than 40 scholarships annually to students enrolled in occupational therapy programs in the United States. Scholarships are awarded based on selection criteria that include academic achievement, service, and evidence of leadership through written recommendations.

The AOTF administers funds for scholarship provided through endowments and partnerships with 20 state occupational therapy associations and other strategic partners.

The Foundation also administers and awards several scholarships established in memory of prominent occupational therapy practitioners, as well as scholarships sponsored by corporate and non-profit supporters. Corporate sponsor North Coast Medical provides generous scholarships for two students, and for the 37th consecutive year, Kappa Delta Phi Sorority will provide generous scholarships for two students.

New this year will be scholarships given through endowments with the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) Endowed Scholarship; the Martha Kirkland Pi Theta Epsilon (PTE) Endowed Scholarship; the Network for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Concerns in Occupational Therapy Endowed Scholarship; the Florida Occupational Therapy Association Myra McDaniel Endowed Scholarship; the Washington Occupational Therapy Association Endowed Scholarship; and the Harlan and Rita Temple South Dakota Occupational Therapy Association Endowed Scholarship.

For complete information and to begin an online application, visit www.aotf.org. Online applications must be submitted by November 15, 2012.

The American Occupational Therapy Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable, scientific and educational organization established in 1965. Its mission is to advance research, education, and leadership in the field of occupational therapy and to raise public awareness of the importance of enabling individuals to participate fully in life regardless of their physical, social, mental, or developmental circumstances.