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AOTF 2016 INTERVENTION RESEARCH GRANTS ANNOUNCED

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Bethesda, Maryland – The American Occupational Therapy Foundation (AOTF) is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2016 Intervention Research Grant (IRG) program, undertaken with major funding from the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) and the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), and additional support from the St. Catherine Challenge. The 2016 IRG Award recipients are:

Mary Khetani, University of Illinois at Chicago
“Feasibility Test of a Pediatric Web-Based Care Planning Guide”

Mansha Mirza, University of Illinois at Chicago
“Piloting an Occupational Therapy Intervention in a Primary Care Clinic”

Juleen Rodakowski, University of Pittsburgh
“Empowering Caregivers after Stroke”

Paul Grace, President & CEO of NBCOT commented, “The research initiatives sponsored by AOTF are an essential cornerstone to advancing the efficacy of and reliance on occupational therapy interventions by the public.” NBCOT recently committed an additional \$300,000 over the next three years to the AOTF IRG program.

Fred Somers, Executive Director of the AOTA, remarked, “Building the profession's capacity for intervention research is essential to demonstrating the distinct contribution and quality of occupational therapy interventions. AOTA strongly supports the IRG program, an important initiative that will support the growth and future of the profession.”

“This initiative supports the profession’s goals to be science-driven and evidence-based, and AOTF’s strategic ends to build research capacity and advance knowledge that supports best practices in occupational therapy” said Dr. Wendy Coster, Chair of the AOTF Board of Trustees.

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