



Supporting Occupational Therapy
in low & middle income countries

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OT Frontiers Position Statement

As a global-reaching organisation, OT Frontiers is committed to the principles of justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion at our meetings, in our project activities and with the communities where our members work and live.

We aim to safely and positively engage with a diverse membership of OTs to learn from and enable all positions to receive equal influence within the organisation, and to act on the understanding gained from engagement with members to ensure these qualities are explicit in the work of OT Frontiers to promote positive

Annual General Meeting 11 Oct 2025

Our online annual meeting included our usual small group networking opportunities, followed by a welcome and introduction by our Chair.

Brief annual reports were provided by the committee on our working groups, membership, grants funding, and from our treasurer.

The nominations and appointment of our committee members occurred. We are very grateful for outgoing members' contributions to the work of OT Frontiers. We welcome to the committee Dr Shabnam Rangwala, Erica Jacoby, Ben Smith.

Bahati Hassan, Paediatric Occupational Therapist from Tanzania, had kindly prepared the following presentation on a recent project he led, which will now be recorded and circulated online: *Enhancing Youth Development and Community Wellbeing through Football: A Focus on Children and Youth in Chemba District, Dodoma.*



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Allied Health Professionals' Virtual Study Weekend

Working Across Worlds: Localising Practice, Rebalancing Power

18-19 Oct 2025

The event was organised by OT Frontiers in collaboration with ADAPT Physiotherapists for Global Health and Communication Therapy International (CTI), and consisted of three sessions over 2 days, we hope some of you were able to attend.

Speakers from across disciplines and the world attended including:

Dr Vishnu Nair (Keynote), **Dr Anita Atwall**, **Lizzie Andare**, **Stephanie Molloy**, **Dr Rebecca Phillips**.

Dr Jennifer Creek hosted a thought-provoking panel discussion.

We explored a new way of introductions and networking for a virtual audience, taking inspiration from talking circles. Participants were asked to introduce themselves to each other via a padlet link, sharing a video, audio recording, artefact or anything they feel represents them.

The event was recorded - talks will be circulated. Your feedback will help us shape future events, for those who attended, please do share your views: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdlyYboDfTLp3XragwGbGUHf5CJG-uu6ozgvV6MarCrDYtIsA/viewform>



Artefact shared by study day participant

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Next meeting will be held on **17 January 2026**. The agenda is circulated to our email distribution list prior to this. The meetings include networking opportunities, information sharing, and a presentation. **All welcome**. Contact us if you are not on our mailing list and would like to receive the meeting link.

Our **working/special interest groups** include paediatric, resources, research and education, and justice, equity, diversity, inclusion (JEDI). Read more about these on our website, and feel free to contact us if you would like to join a group, all contributions welcome.

A short video presentation marking 20 years of OT Frontiers – a network of occupational therapists dedicated to supporting practice and collaboration in low-and-middle-income countries (LMICs).

This visual timeline celebrates key milestones, partnerships, workshops, and events from 2005–2025, including projects with colleagues across Uganda, Malawi, Eswatini, Zambia, Tanzania, and beyond.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2UOAWQDwV4Q>

