



## Korean Association of Occupational Therapists

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Re: Revised Mental Health Act-OT as Required Personnel

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Marilyn Pattison, President  
World Federation of Occupational Therapists

Dear Marilyn Pattison,

I am pleased to inform you that the 'Revised Mental Health Act' which includes occupational therapists as required mental health care service personnel was finally approved by the Korea National Assembly on March 6<sup>th</sup> 2020.

On behalf of the KAOT, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to you and WFOT Executive Management Team for your strong support regarding this matter. Especially, your letter to the national assembly that emphasized vital role of occupational therapists in mental health care service was very helpful in persuading congressmen of the Legislation and Judiciary Committee.

The KAOT will make every effort to promote occupational therapy as an essential profession in the provision of services in health care in Korea. This, I believe, will further strengthen our partnership with the WFOT.

Many thanks and best wishes to all of you.

Sincerely Yours,

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President of the KAOT