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**Consent for Assessment in Schools, Discretionary Reporting Resources, Tips for Completing QA Requirements, and more**

## You and Your Practice

Read the latest case and find answers



### Q&A: Consent for Assessment in Schools

**You asked us:** *Can I go into a school to do an occupational therapy assessment with a student if the case manager at the Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) has obtained informed consent on my behalf? Do I need to call the parent or guardian myself to obtain informed consent?* [View the answer.](#)

## Case Scenario: Applying the Conscious Decision-Making Framework

Austin — an occupational therapist (OT) - performed an occupational therapy assessment for his client Veronika.

The insurance adjuster asked Austin to modify his report. [See how Austin uses the Conscious Decision-Making Framework to arrive at his final decision.](#)



## Discretionary Reporting Resources



The College has received many questions about recent changes that give occupational therapists (OTs) in Ontario authority and responsibility to report a client's fitness to drive, and what this means for their practice.

Answers to frequently asked questions are now available online. [View the Q & A and other resources.](#)

## You & MyQA

2018 Quality Assurance (QA) Requirements are now available in MyQA



[Log in](#) to MyQA to access the new requirements and make sure to meet the due dates.

Your SA and PREP are due October 31. This year's PREP topic is Professional Boundaries and the Prevention of Sexual Abuse.

Questions about MyQA? [View the latest tips and resources here.](#)

# Certificates and Obligations

## New certificates and your obligations as an OT

**All OTs were mailed new registration certificates in August 2018.**

If you did not receive a certificate, your certificate was damaged or incorrect, please email [registration@coto.org](mailto:registration@coto.org) and we will send you a new one.

Important information about new certificates:

- The date is your most recent registration date with the College
- Certificates are printed with your legal name
- Annual registration seals will no longer be mailed
- The certificate is an acknowledgement of your registration with the College
- Clients and employers (*or potential employers during a job hunt*) should refer to the public register at [Find an Occupational Therapist](#). The register provides the most current information regarding your registration status

### Reminder: Professional Obligations

Every OT must meet their ongoing professional obligations, which range from updating contact information, to completing QA requirements, to renewing annually. As a member of the College it is important that you are aware of the expectations and obligations, [learn more](#).

To understand why you need to keep the College informed about certain changes in your life, [listen to the latest episode of our podcast](#) .



### Tell Us What You Think

"**You & the College**" — a guide to maintaining your registration - was mailed with each new registration certificate. To view an online version of this resource, please [click here](#).

After reading "You & the College" do you have a better understanding of your requirements?



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# You & the College

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