

About Laurie Stelter

Position:

State Secretary

Education:

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Occupational Therapy, Texas Woman's University: Denton, Texas, December 2018
Area of Study: Occupational Therapy
Dissertation Title: Impact of an Occupation-Based Program for Incarcerated Women with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
Master of Arts (M.A.), Occupational Therapy, Texas Woman's University: Denton, Texas, May 2004
Major: Occupational Therapy
Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Occupational Therapy, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center: Lubbock, Texas, December 1998
Major: Occupational Therapy

Current Employment:

2014-present: Assistant Professor and Doctoral Capstone Coordinator for the OTD Program in the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, School of Health Professions, at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas
2014-present: Contract Occupational Therapist, acute mental health, TheraCare, Lubbock, Texas
2019-present: Contract Occupational Therapist, IDD Transitional Support Team, StarCare, Lubbock, Texas

TOTA Involvement:

2023-present: State Elected Secretary of the Executive Board
2019-2023: State Elected Vice-President of the Executive Board
2015-2020: Appointed Great Plains West District Education Chair

Position Statement:

I have been honored to serve on TOTA's executive board for the past 6 years, where I have been able to contribute efforts toward many worthy initiatives. These include chairing the committee that resulted in a major reformatting and update to TOTA's bylaws and policies, and procedure documents, the institution of the practice forum presentation format at our annual conference, and most recently, the development of procedures for individual committee and document management operational policies. I am excited to continue my service to the profession with a second term as Secretary.