

**Summary of Qualifications:
John Luna, OTD, OTR
Candidate for TOTA President**

John Luna is an occupational therapy educator, administrator, and practitioner with more than two decades of experience in clinical practice, higher education, leadership, and advocacy. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy from The University of Texas–Pan American in 2002 and his post-professional Doctor of Occupational Therapy from Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions in 2016, with a pediatric specialization.

Dr. Luna currently serves as Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy at The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, where he has held academic and administrative leadership roles since 2017. His professional background includes pediatric practice, clinical operations, program development, teaching, mentorship, and community engagement.

His involvement with Texas Occupational Therapy Association includes service as Chair of Legislative and Political Affairs, TOTA PAC Chair, President-Elect, and current TOTA President. His professional activities have included advocacy initiatives, legislative education, conference presentations, publications, and research mentorship related to occupational therapy practice and education.

His position statement emphasizes advocacy, increasing visibility for the profession, implementation of TOTA’s strategic plan, and collaboration among occupational therapy practitioners, educators, researchers, and students across Texas.