

## NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE OTA ORIENTATION

- A. Introductions of OTA faculty  
Becky Mika, Kristin Roll, Anna Polzin
- B. **Ice Breaker**---Anna
- C. Why Occupational Therapy Assistant?— Becky
  - 1. Define OT, OT Practitioners
  - 2. Films On- Demand
  - 3. Employment Areas
  - 4. NBCOT
- D. Approaches to the OTA program—Kristin
  - 1. Learning styles—Barsch (complete and discuss)
  - 2. Participative Learning
  - 3. Academic rigor - 3 hours outside work/1 hr in class
  - 4. Northwood Tech resources
  - 5. Probable Stressors
    - a. Finances—loans, grants, work study
    - b. Family life—support systems/child care
    - c. Travel—distance and weather
    - d. Reliable transportation
    - e. NBCOT exam
  - 6. Textbook readability
  - 7. Employment during the program
  - 8. 3+ Year Plan
  - 9. Curriculum requirements
- E. Expectations of the OTA program--- Anna (iPad search)
  - 1. Program Standards
  - 2. ITV Policy
  - 3. Blackboard
  - 4. Attendance
  - 5. Dress Code
  - 6. OTA Student Perspective
- F. Program Requirements—Becky
  - 1. Health status - physical exam, immunizations, health insurance
  - 2. Caregiver/Criminal Background Check Information & Conviction Record (WI & out-of-state) (**collect**)
  - 3. Functional Abilities Statement of Understanding (**collect**)
  - 4. Confidentiality Statement (**collect**)
  - 5. Name badge
- G. **Team Building Activity**---Kristin
- H. Fieldwork---Anna
- I. Questions - complete OTA student information sheet - Thanks!