## **Scientific Workshop 18**

## Advancing OT practice in the mental health field: How to develop evidence-based occupation focused interventions

Date & Time: 2024/11/8 11:00-12:30

Venue: Venue 10 (2F 207) Estimated capacity: 35

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## **Learning Objectives**

The objective of this workshop is to learn and explore essential occupational therapyskills, competencies, and strategies required to build evidence of occupation-based intervention for PSMI.

## **Outline**

The activities of people with serious mental illness (PSMI) are limited, and they are less satisfied with their activities. Occupation-based interventions created or implemented by occupational therapists demonstrate better occupational performance and health outcomes than treatment as usual. However, occupation-based interventions are highly individualized, and the process of assessing and developing meaningful activities for each client is complex. Therefore, building evidence for occupation-based interventions is challenging. Understanding the necessary skills, theories, and methodologies is important.

Despite the growing mental health needs in Asia, psychiatric services and resources remain limited and occupation-based interventions are scarce. The members researching Action Over Inertia, an occupation-based practice, will discuss core principles and strategies to develop complex interventions. This workshop is mainly organized by Japanese graduate students and Canadian / Japanese researchers. Don't worry if you're not confident in English. We will use various translation systems and provide support. Please feel free to join!!