

WFOT Congress 2014 Pre-Congress Workshop Course Description

Session Category	Half Day Workshop
Session Code	PW 04
Session Title	Photovoice: Collaborating to promote engagement in occupation through participatory and visual methods
Session Organiser	Eric Asaba
Keywords	Community-based practices, Innovations and challenges, Vulnerable groups in society
Description	<p>Learning Objectives: Participants will be able to: 1) identify concepts, methods, and challenges in carrying out a photovoice project.2) apply and analyze at least 2 photovoice techniques.3) describe and analyze the relevance of photovoice as an approach within occupational therapy and occupational science practices.4) initiate contact with occupational therapists from around the world who share common interests</p> <p>Content: Photovoice challenges clinicians, researchers, and educators to work in diverse partnerships to facilitate the right of all people to participate in meaningful occupation. Critique of traditional research approaches has led to the quest for alternative ways to build knowledge and innovatively apply such knowledge in local communities. The utilization of Photovoice can establish partnerships with people from diverse backgrounds to participate in setting research agendas and shaping questions through a combination of visual and storied methods. This workshop will introduce Photovoice using examples from projects about aging and migration, including theoretical principles and practical group exercises.</p> <p>Description of teaching methods: A mix of teaching methods will be used, for instance participants will have the opportunity to try different photovoice activities such as “framing” of visual materials or photo treasure hunt. Group work will also be used to discuss examples from work and experiences with community-based organizations in Sweden, Japan, and Canada to further understand what facilitates and hinders photovoice processes. The workshop will build on the active participation of the group and on developing skill sets that can be used in clinical and research practices.</p> <p>Contribution to practice: Methods that pay homage to co-construction of occupations and active engagement in a process share ideological values with occupational therapy. Although goals of research and therapy are different, there are many intersecting values that can be mined for relevance.</p>
Capacity	up to 30