



Lansing Lobby Day 2019 Attendee Handout

If you are planning to attend Lansing Lobby Day, here is a quick tip-sheet for registration and what to expect!

Before you attend:

- 1) Register for Lobby Day by registering with MiOTA's website or at office@miota.org; students, please use the home address where you are registered to vote; out-of-state students, please use your current Michigan address.

FAQS:

How many attended last year?

Last year, over 150 clinicians and students participated in Lobby Day, a record turn-out for MiOTA!

As of February 10, 2019, we have over 100 participants registered.

When is the last day to register?

You can register up until the day of the event, but if you register after this Friday, February 15, 2019, you may not be guaranteed an audience with your legislator.

What if I register but can't attend?

Please call or email Joanna, administrative assistant at (517) 267-3918 or jcoddington@mhsa.com as soon as possible. Because our legislators have tight schedules, we schedule meetings well in advance with their staff. We must let them know if you cancel your visitation to maintain good relationships and standing with our legislators.

Location (Please note NEW VENUE):

MiOTA Lobby Day attendees will meet at the Anderson House Building (124 North Capitol Avenue) on the corner of East Ottawa Street and North Capitol Avenue. The building shares the block with the Lansing Police Department. When standing in front of the Capitol facing east (away from the Capitol), this building is in front of you (east) just across Capitol Ave. It is the large building that bridges across Ottawa Street.

We will be located on the 5th Floor of the Anderson House Building in the Mackinaw Room.

PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED TO ENTER THE BUILDING. Expect a high level of security at the building and keep your personal ID / driver's license with you at all time. You may encounter various security checkpoints throughout the event.

Parking:

There are parking garages within walking distance of the Anderson House building. There are also metered spots on the streets. Be sure to bring change/cash/card for these spots as cost and method of payment vary.

Meter spots: \$0.25 per 10 minutes; 2 hours max at a time (some are coin, some are credit)

Parking lots: cost varies per lot; generally \$1.50 per 30 minutes with max \$12.50-\$15.00 per day

Least expensive option: \$1.25 per hour at Michigan Library & Historical Center *Credit/debit card only/no cash*
Located 2 blocks south, west of Capitol (lot entrance off of Kalamazoo Street just 3 blocks north of 496

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For additional parking information, please check with these maps (they will help supplement any satellite navigation system you have on electronic devices):

Interactive parking map:

<https://www.lansingmi.gov/1391/Parking-Map-Locations>

Complete Capitol Map:

<http://capitol.michigan.gov/Content/Files/Capitol/MapCompletePack.pdf>

Lobby Day 2019 Schedule

Please arrive between 8:00 am and 8:30 am.

- 8:30am - Registration in Mackinaw Room with refreshments
- 9am - Welcome and training with MIOTA advocacy team
- 10:30 - Scheduled meetings and appointments with legislators
- 1pm - Wrap up and Lobby Day debriefing
- 2pm – Dismissal

What happens during the legislator meetings?

You will be provided with key talking points about Occupational Therapy and Auto No-fault insurance. Be prepared to deliver your elevator speeches of what OT is to the legislators. Take your legislator's business card to remember his/her contact information.

What is the plan for lunch?

Light snacks and beverages will be provided, but breakfast and lunch are not provided.

How should I dress?

Business attire is highly recommended. If you can wear MIOTA colors (greens/blues), that will demonstrate greater solidarity within our organization.

Lobby Day Follow-Up:

Send your legislator a follow-up email to review the topics discussed during Lobby Day 2019 including what Occupational Therapy is, who benefits from OT, and concerns regarding Auto No-Fault insurance reform. This is a great way to further your connection with you legislator, promote OT, and support our advocacy efforts.