

Neurologic Occupational Therapy Fellowship 2026-27 Application

Thank you for your interest in the Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Neurologic Occupational Therapy Fellowship.

Please send your completed application by February 16, 2026. You may submit via email or by U.S. Mail.

TO SUBMIT VIA EMAIL, SEND TO:

jared.curley@maryfreebed.com and **recruitment@maryfreebed.com**

TO SUBMIT BY U.S. MAIL, SEND TO:

Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Hospital
Jared Curley, Attn: MFB OT Fellowship
235 Wealthy Street SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

*Note: Please email OTfellowship@maryfreebed.com to notify us of your mailed submission.

Applicants must meet the following minimum requirements:

1. Graduate of an occupational therapy education program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE)
2. A valid Michigan Occupational Therapy License by start date
3. CPR/AED certification
4. Current AOTA (American Occupational Therapy Association) member by start date

To be considered complete, all submitted applications must include the following:

1. Cover Letter

Please answer the following questions: (500 words or less per question)

- A) What are your professional goals upon completion of the neurologic fellowship program? How do you envision this fellowship program influencing your future occupational therapy practice and how do you hope to contribute to the field of neurologic occupational therapy?

- B) Why have you chosen neurologic occupational therapy and, in particular, the Mary Free Bed program? What types of experiences are you seeking in a fellowship program?
- C) Reflecting on your educational and clinical experiences, what strengths or skills do you bring to this neurologic fellowship program that will help you be successful in this specialty area? What challenges do you foresee?
- D) Share your learning and skills gained in research and evidence-based practice through your academic experience and clinical practice.

2. Curriculum Vitae

3. Official Transcript

4. Three (3) Letters of Recommendation (see pages 3 and 4). Must be received by February 16, 2026.

- If you are **within 2 years of graduation** one letter must be from a current or former fieldwork educator and one letter from a faculty member.
- If you have **more than 2 years of experience** as an occupational therapist, one letter must be from your current supervisor and one letter from a professional colleague.
- For **ALL** applicants, the **third** letter could be from faculty, colleague, or supervisor who can speak to your professional attributes.

5. Optional Additional documents: Research or publication documents are welcome but not required (please include abstract or written product).

Top candidates will be selected for an interview (in-person as available or video-conference as needed).

The final candidates will be confirmed in early March 2026.

Neurologic Occupational Therapy Fellowship 2026-27 Letter of Recommendation

Name of applicant:

Individual contributing recommendation:

Name/Credentials:

Current Position:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

QUESTIONS

Your relationship to the applicant (please mark which applies):

- ☐ Clinical Supervisor
- ☐ Employer
- ☐ Academic Instructor
- ☐ Professional Colleague
- ☐ Other (please specify):

1. Number of years you have known the applicant:
2. How well do you know the applicant?
3. With what organization or institution were you affiliated when you interacted with the applicant?
4. **Letter of Recommendation:** Your recommendation can include, but is not limited to, addressing the applicant's: communication and team-based skills, self-directed learning, integration of evidence into practice, research experience, clinical reasoning skills and development.

5. Reference Ratings: Please complete the form below.

	Not Observed	Poor (1)	Below Average (2)	Average (3)	Good (4)	Excellent (5)
Adaptability						
Conflict Resolution						
Ethics						
Intellectual Ability						
Interpersonal Relations						
Judgement						
Leadership						
Oral Communication						
Professional Demeanor						
Reaction to Criticism						
Reliability						
Self-Awareness						
Stress Management						
Written Communication						

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Note: Letter of recommendation must be submitted by the contributor's e-mail address.

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Note: The envelope must be sealed, and the seal must be signed by the contributor in order to be accepted.

For questions, please contact: OTfellowship@maryfreebed.com.