



American Hand Therapy Foundation 2027 Aaron and Winthrop Hand Therapy Educational Scholarship

Purpose: Provide tuition cost to occupational therapists and physical therapists to orthotics fabrication courses offered by American Society of Hand Therapy Therapists. Therapists can attend in person or virtually. Preference will be given to those who work with underserved and vulnerable populations* and are ASHT members.

Funded By: The American Hand Therapy Foundation

Eligibility: Current occupational or physical therapy license through the completion date of the course.

Funding Amount: The award will cover Tuition / Registration for an American Society of Hand Therapists one day Hands on Orthotics Course (virtual or in-person).

Application Window: September 1, 2026 to November 1, 2026

*AHTF Engagement Task Force:
Definition of Underserved Populations

Underserved, marginalized and/or vulnerable populations are those that live in locations that lack adequate hand and upper extremity therapy specialists, or where there are physical, economic, and/or linguistic barriers to accessing hand and upper extremity therapy specialists. This may include but is not limited to those individuals who:

Have health care problems that interfere with accessing or participating in therapy

Face financial, education, and/or housing hardships

Have limited understanding of the health care delivery system

Experience a language barrier

Live in a rural area

Rely on others for transportation

People of varied abilities

Are low income or unsheltered

Have mental health or substance use disorders

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APPLICATION LINK:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSez7-i8kgmsl4KfUr1KBfwME3CY7BnqfZ5Y-mhn7KjCmydpfQ/viewform?usp=publish-editor>