LEVEL II FIELDWORK SUPERVISION

ACOTE standard C.1.16
Supervision provides protection of consumers and opportunities for appropriate role modeling of occupational therapy practice. Initially, supervision should be direct then decrease to less direct supervision as appropriate for the setting, the severity of the client’s condition, and the ability of the student.

ACOTE standard C.1.14
Level II Fieldwork students are supervised by a currently licensed or otherwise regulated occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant (under the supervision of an occupational therapist) who has a minimum of 1 year full-time (or its equivalent) of practice subsequent to initial certification and who is adequately prepared to serve as fieldwork educator. The supervising therapist may be engaged by the fieldwork site or by the educational program.

All Level II Fieldwork experiences are supervised by currently licensed occupational therapy practitioners who meet ACOTE standards and NSCC requirements as supervisors. At this time, there is no mechanism for a supervisor to be engaged by NSCC.

ACOTE standard C.1.17 states that supervision in a setting where there is no existence of occupational therapy services, a documented plan must be provided. Currently, the NSCC OTA Program does not utilize any fieldwork sites/experiences without existing occupational therapy services. Should a site become interested or available for fieldwork experiences where no occupational therapy services occur, a policy will be developed in compliance with the ACOTE standard.