



HAND THERAPY NEW ZEALAND

Ringaromi Aotearoa

Schedule for HTNZ Continuing Education (2019)

Your continuing education as a HTNZ Registered or Associate Hand Therapist should demonstrate ongoing development of **Hand Therapy-specific** professional, ethical, and clinical competency that is responsive to the bicultural and culturally diverse context of Aotearoa New Zealand.

Activities completed to fulfil goals set as part of Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy board recertification relevant to hand therapy can be claimed under the relevant sections below. For activities not covered by the categories below, approval of hours will be decided on a case by case basis. Submit an outline of the content and a reflective statement showing evidence supporting the relevance to hand therapy practice to the HTNZ Administrator for consideration by the Education Committee.

If the course you are claiming points for is not specific to Hand Therapy but is applicable to Hand Therapy practice, you may claim 30% of the stated points in that category. Submit an outline of the content and a reflective statement showing evidence supporting the relevance to hand therapy practice to the HTNZ Administrator for consideration by the Education Committee. A maximum of 30% of the total points collected over a 2-year period may be claimed on this basis.

Activities from each category can be claimed more than once during the two-year period, unless otherwise stated. No more than the stated points can be claimed for categories C1, C2, C3, C4, D2, D3, D5, E1, E9, or F in any two-year period.

	Category	Points Allocated
A	Courses and Conferences	
A1	Certified Hand Therapist (CHT) exam pass	60
A2	AUT University Hand and Upper Limb Therapy (RHAB806)	45
A3	Postgraduate paper related to Hand Therapy	15
A4	Completion of Master's thesis or dissertation related to Hand Therapy	60
A5	Completion of Doctoral thesis related to Hand Therapy	60
A6	Annual HTNZ Conference – attending	10 pts per day OR 5 pts per half day
A7	Overseas HT Conference – attending	10 pts per day OR 5 pts per half day
A8	Courses/workshops recognized by HTNZ, e.g. splinting course, HTNZ workshop – attending	10 pts per day OR 5 pts per half day
A9	Online courses with an assessed component	5 pts per 4-hour module
B	Publication, writing, research	
B1	International journal (principal author)	30 pts
B2	International journal (subsequent author)	15 pts

B3	NZ journal (principal author)	20 pts
B4	NZ journal (subsequent author)	10 pts
B5	Fingerprints (article review/discussions/case presentations)	5 pts
B6	Submission to government or other agency on Hand Therapy topic	10 pts
B7	Undertake a research project, clinical audit, focused enquiry or quality initiative	15 pts
B8	Written case study submitted to HTNZ	15 pts
C	Work Based	
C1	Attending staff in-service	1 pt (max 20 pts)
C2	Peer review/reviewer (including observed practice)	5 pts (max 20 pts)
C3	Supervision session (as supervisee)	1 pt (max 20 pts)
C4	Supervision of undergraduate student (per 5 full-time days)	2 pts (max 24 pts)
C5	Project evaluating or optimising Hand Therapy provision for Māori	10 pts
C6	Evidence-based review of treatment protocol or guideline	10 pts
C7	Development of a patient information resource	5 pts
D	Teaching and presenting	
D1	Branch/SIG Meeting presentation	10 pts
D2	Undergraduate teaching (per hour)	5 pts (max 20 pts)
D3	Post graduate course e.g. HAULT (per hour)	10 pts (max 30 pts)
D4	Conference HTNZ/PNZ/OTNZ invited speaker (per hour)	40 pts
D5	Hand Therapy clinical workshop (per hour)	10 pts (max 40 pts)
D6	Overseas conference (per hour)	40 pts
D7	Other relevant conference (per hour)	20 pts
D8	Staff in-service presentation (per hour)	5 pts
D9	Teaching or presenting for other health professional groups, e.g. GP, nurses (per hour)	5 pts
D10	Poster presentation at conference	10 pts
D11	Free paper presentation at conference	10 pts
D12	Presentation e.g. @ 'Clinical Pearls' pre-conference	5 pts
E	Professional Activity	
E1	Supervision of associate for ACC Hand Contract (per person per year)	10 pts (max 20 pts)
E2	Organize courses/conferences/workshops	5 pts
E3	HTNZ Executive	10 pts per year
E4	HTNZ Sub-committee	5 pts per year
E5	HTNZ Representative e.g. Regional/OT/PNZ, Librarian, Fingerprints Editor, Web master	3 pts per year
E6	Hand Therapy Case study marker	2 pts per case
E7	Guest assessor for AUT HAULT paper (per hour)	2 pts
E8	Representing HTNZ e.g. GP conference, assistant at Hand Therapy workshop e.g. splinting (per half day)	3 pts
E9	Attending HTNZ SIG meeting /Journal Club (per hour)	1 pt (max 20 pts)
F	Self-directed learning	
F1	Critical reading (per article)	1 pt (max 6 pts)
F2	Journal article quiz	1 pt (max 6 pts)

F3	Viewing HT recorded presentation/Webinar	1 pt (max 6 pts)
F4	Reflective statement	2 pts (max 8 pts)
G	Other activities relevant to Hand Therapy	
	<i>E.g. activities undertaken for OT board competencies, PNZ board re-certification, or work PDP requirements.</i>	Describe below and submit as above