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## **COTBC Practice Standards for Conflict of Interest, 2016**

# **Practice Standard #3: Managing Conflict of Interest**

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#### Principle Statement:

The occupational therapist will manage and mitigate an unavoidable conflict of interest.

#### Practice Expectations

The occupational therapist will do the following:

1. Seek appropriate assistance as required.
2. Attempt to resolve a situation involving an actual or perceived conflict of interest or remove him or herself from that situation.
3. Take action when a conflict of interest cannot be resolved. In these situations, the occupational therapist will do the following:
  - a. Disclose to the client and/or stakeholders the perceived, potential, or actual conflict of interest.
  - b. Provide the client with information about options available and allow the client to make an informed choice.
  - c. Inform the client that he or she has the right to decline service at any time.
  - d. Document the steps taken to address the conflict.