

## **RFP Solicitation 1000186139**

### **Question 9**

I am a members of the College of OT Ontario (COTO) and have my association membership with the Ontario Society of Occupational Therapist (OSOT) and not CAOT. Both organizations are recognized in the province of Ontario and provide equal malpractice insurance.

Is the fact that I am a member of OSOT and not CAOT automatically exclude me from bidding on this RFP

### **Answer 9**

Membership with the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists (CAOT) is a mandatory requirement. The NIHB Program is a national Program that offers health benefits and services to First Nations and Inuit in Canada. The bidding OTs must be members of the CAOT because they will be providing advisory services on health benefits to First nations and Inuit all over Canada. The decision to submit a bid rests with the bidder. However, when the bid is evaluated, to be considered compliant, it must meet all the mandatory requirements.

L'adhésion à l'association canadienne des ergothérapeutes (ACE) est une exigence obligatoire. Le Programme des SSNA est un programme national qui offre des prestations et des services de santé aux Premières Nations et aux Inuits au Canada. Le soumissionnaire ergothérapeute doit être membre d'ACE, parce qu'elles/ils fourniront des services de consultation sur des prestations aux Premières Nations et Inuits partout au Canada. La décision de présenter une offre incombe au soumissionnaire. Cependant, lorsque l'offre est évaluée, pour être considérée comme conforme, elle doit satisfaire à toutes les exigences obligatoires.