

Friday, June 5, 2020

Mike Robinson CATA President Via Email

Dear Mike,

Current events have, regrettably, highlighted once again the need to address systemic racial discrimination.

The OATA recommends that the CATA develop and put into full practice additional ideals to the Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics relating to racial discrimination, with the objective of ensuring everyone is free from discrimination and has access to healthcare, equal treatment in healthcare and is free from harassment or discrimination regardless of race, religion, colour, creed, or place of origin. These new rules would clarify what Athletic Therapists must achieve as part of professional practice to avoid disciplinary action

The Anti-Racism Conduct, in our view, should apply not only to patients, but also to AT's relations with professional colleagues.

When it comes to intolerance for racism and systemic racist practices, the time for words has passed. The OATA believes the CATA can accept a leadership role for the AT profession now by putting new practices into action.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Kim Stroesser President