

## Value-creation story template

Note that the story does not need to start at 1, or go all the way to 5.

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Typical cycles	Your story:
<p>1. <b><u>Activity:</u></b> Describe a meaningful activity you participated in and your experience of it (e.g., a conversation, a working session, a project, etc.)</p>	<p>Elin Schold-Davis and Anne Dickerson presented the “OT-Drive” Model at a Fitness to Drive CoP. The opportunity to hear participants’ response to this approach and ask questions of Elin and Anne was invaluable. It helped me to understand the model in a way that I felt I could take it back to the OTs in our system as a way to approach driving across the continuum of care, get OTs to consider approaching driving with this framework, and develop a foundation model by which to initiate conversations amongst OTs practicing in different areas across the continuum of care as well as amongst the interdisciplinary team.</p>
<p>2. <b><u>Output:</u></b> Describe a specific resource this activity produced for you (e.g., an idea or a document) and why you thought it might be useful.</p>	<p>We have initiated an OT Driving Work Group that includes OTs from various areas across our continuum of care. We started with putting together an alternative transportation resource specific to the areas served. Also, considered the specific skills required for use of alternative transportation options (ie: use of Uber, though does not require driving, still requires cognitive and physical skills)</p>
<p>3. <b><u>Application:</u></b> Tell how you used this resource in your practice and what it enabled that would not have happened otherwise.</p>	<p>Currently, therapists have varying levels of comfort and experience with addressing fitness to drive with patients across the continuum of care. It is an area that many generalist OTs are not comfortable with. We plan to share the “OT Drive Model” with the OTs across our system, implement use of the alternative transportation resource, and additional recommendations for approaching the conversation on fitness to drive with patients across the system in a way that is more standardized for consistent messaging.</p>
<p>3. <b><u>Outcome:</u></b></p> <p>a. <b>Personal:</b> Explain how it affected your success (e.g., being a better professional, job satisfaction)</p> <p>b. <b>Organizational:</b> Has your participation contributed to the success of your organization (e.g.,</p>	<p>Overall, being connected to this incredibly engaged and professional group of practitioners from across the nation has been incredibly empowering. It has connected me to resources I wasn’t aware existed, and helped me develop a more clear sense of direction in how to approach the topic of driving/fitness to drive across our organization.</p>

metrics they use)?

**4. New definition of success:**

Sometimes, such a story changes your understanding of how success can be defined. If that occurred this time, then include it here.

**Personal value narrative: Occupational therapy practitioner**

Name:	How participation is changing <u>me as an occupational therapy practitioner</u> (e.g., skills, attitude, identity, self-confidence, feelings, etc.)	How participation is affecting <u>my social connections</u> (e.g., number of networks, quality, frequency, emotions, etc.)	How participation is helping <u>my professional practice</u> (e.g., ideas, insights, lesson material, procedures, knowledge, etc.)	How participation is changing <u>my ability to influence</u> my world as a professional (voice, contribution, status, recognition, etc.)
<p><b>Reasons for participation</b> (e.g., challenges, aspirations, professional development goals, meeting people, etc.) +/-</p>	<p>Driving is a topic that therapists across our system, in varying levels of the continuum of care had come to me with uncertainties and questions about. Though there are many resources to assist with addressing this as an OT, it was hard to know where to start.</p>	<p>Terri and Susie are the facilitators of the Fitness to Drive group, and have created an atmosphere in this group that is welcoming and encouraging. Their positive attitude and willingness to share their expertise (with someone like me who is not a driving expert) has been empowering and a very positive experience for me.</p>	<p>I have gained a great deal of direction, insight and knowledge from the discussions, presentations and topics in the Fitness to Drive CoP. I have referred to the information gained/shared regularly as I facilitate a work group focused on OT approach to driving for our system.</p>	<p>Because I have been fortunate to get connected through this CoP with experts, I have become much more confident in the approach to take with driving/fitness to drive across the continuum of care up to the point of referral to the driving rehab specialist. In addition, I have become more aware of opportunities to use my OT skills to contribute to Car-Fit, and have become a Car-Fit Technician and most recently, an event coordinator to</p>

		help bring Car-Fit events to the community.
<b>Activities, outputs, events, networking</b> (e.g., resources, discussion, visits, etc.) +/-	This CoP has been invaluable in directing me to the most relevant/helpful resources to address driving with the OT generalist. It can be overwhelming to know where to start, and this group has been so helpful in helping focus.	I have networked amongst AAA and AARP volunteers through involvement as a Car-Fit technician and now as an Event Coordinator, anticipate more networking and connections in the community.
<b>Value to me</b> (e.g., being a better professional, handling difficult situations, improving organizational performance, etc.) +/-		

**Note:** +/- Indicates that you can provide positive / negative experiences

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