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Participating in the 16th International Congress of the World Federation of Occupational Therapists provides a wealth of opportunities to interact with and learn from other therapists from around the globe. Come with an open mind and an expectation that something great is going to happen that will enrich your life and change how you practice therapy...this will translate into enhanced quality of living for the clients you serve.

**Going?**

As you prepare for travel, reflect honestly on:

*Why am I going to this Congress in Japan?*

*How can I contribute to this experience in a positive way that will make a difference in how USA practitioners are viewed?*

*Which global OT challenge is most important?*

**VISA & TRAVEL**

Passport and Visa are required to enter Japan. Attendees may obtain passport applications from many post offices. VISA not necessary for US visitors attending Congress unless staying 90 days or more. Check with your doctor to be sure you are up to date on routine vaccinations.

**AIR FLIGHT/ACCOMMODATIONS**


**CURRENCY**

Japanese Yen is country’s currency. US $1.00 = JPY 101.07; currency exchange rate varies.

**CULTURE & CONTEXT**

In order to understand and appreciate Japanese culture, you must view it from an "activities of daily living" perspective. Study a brief overview of Japan's history, political, economic, and social systems. Learn a few basic Japanese phrases; an English/Japanese dictionary will be very helpful. Appropriate social skills are important. Mid-June through July is the rainy season with 70F days.