



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Occupational English Test (OET) opens first test venue in Thailand with the AUA Language Center**

OET, the English language test for healthcare professionals, will be available for the first time in Thailand from March 2017. The new test venue in Bangkok will be managed by AUA Language Center.

OET (Occupational English Test) is an English language test which assesses language communication skills of healthcare professionals. It provides assessment of all four language skills – listening, reading, writing and speaking – through test material designed to reflect real healthcare scenarios.

"As a former U.S.-Thailand bi-national center, AUA Language Center remains steeped in a mission to improve the quality of life for all Thais through English language education, contributing to a higher quality healthcare sector by partnering with CBLA and promoting the OET standard will go a long way to that end." -- *Michael Kelley, AUA Director of Courses*

OET CEO, Sujata Stead, said AUA will make a huge contribution to the healthcare sector.

"OET candidates will have an excellent experience with AUA, both in preparing for OET, and on test day. We commend AUA for their passion for meeting the needs of the community through empowering healthcare professionals to have the level of English communication skills required for safe and effective care".

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### **About OET**

OET is an international English language test that assesses the language communication skills of healthcare professionals who seek to register and practise in an English-speaking environment. OET results are accepted by most health regulatory boards and councils in Australia, New Zealand and Singapore as proof of English language proficiency. It is also recognised by the Australian Department of Immigration and Border Protection and Immigration New Zealand for most visa categories. Available in over 70 venues in 32 countries, OET is owned by Cambridge Boxhill Language Assessment, a venture between Cambridge English and Box Hill Institute, Australia. For more information visit <http://www.occupationalenglishtest.org>

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