



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **OET expands its footprint in the US with the opening of a new test venue in New York.**

OET, the English language test for healthcare professionals, will be available at a new venue in the US from March. The New York City test venue will be managed by Rennert International.

OET is the world's only international English language test specifically for healthcare professionals who would like to work in an English-speaking environment. The test provides assessment of all four language skills – listening, reading, writing and speaking – through test material designed to reflect real healthcare scenarios that candidates are likely to encounter in the workplace.

Eimear Harrison, Executive Vice President of Rennert International, said: "We are excited and honoured to be offering OET in our Midtown Manhattan hub school of 46 years. Our core mission has been to enable international students and professionals to succeed through effective communication in their respective fields. OET offers a huge step forward for international healthcare professionals to focus on qualifying in a language exam that fits more precisely with their desired job and career goals than what was previously available in the US. Rennert is proud to contribute to elevating the healthcare experience for all through OET."

OET CEO Sujata Stead said: "Rennert International is a very welcome addition to our portfolio of test venues internationally. Demand for OET in the US is growing and opening a venue in the heart of New York allows us to begin to meet some of this demand." She added that further OET venues in the US were planned for the coming months.

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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 healthcare regulators in the UK, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, Dubai, Singapore, Malta, Namibia and Ukraine as proof of English language proficiency. The test is also recognised in Australia and New Zealand for visa and immigration purposes, while doctors and nurses in the UK are not required to take a separate English language test when applying for a Tier 2 (General) visa.

Available at more than 145 venues in 44 countries, OET is owned by Cambridge Boxhill Language Assessment, a venture between Cambridge Assessment English and Box Hill Institute, Australia. For more information visit <http://www.occupationalenglishtest.org>.

### **About Rennert International**

Rennert International, a New York City-based international language school, teacher training center and translation services provider is located at 12 East 41st Street in Manhattan, onsite at Berkeley College.

Founded in 1973 by César Rennert, the institution has provided language education in New York City for more than 46 years. Rennert International is world-renowned, working with educational partners, colleges and universities from across the globe to implement a strong language pathway for students to access colleges of their choosing.

Rennert International promotes its programs and New York City as an important study destination to more than 80 countries. The school has been shortlisted nine times consecutively by *Study Travel* magazine for the Star Language School North America Award.

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