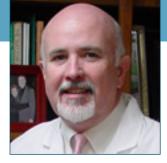


# WFC QUARTERLY WORLD REPORT

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At the Rio Congress in April the WFC Assembly of Members approved to following core values of the World Federation of Chiropractic:

- The profound significance and value of chiropractic in health care.
- The importance of high standards of professionalism, particularly in the areas of research, education and practice.
- Inclusiveness and collaborative relationships within and outside of the chiropractic profession.
- The power of unity within the profession and of speaking with one voice.

These are the values that should inform all activities of the WFC and its members, providing a pathway to the future growth and success of the profession worldwide. How does that work? As the year ends I want to share two recent and historic examples of how these values may be seen in action.

The first is from the Eastern Mediterranean/Middle East – but as you will see has a much wider impact in North America and elsewhere. It may surprise you to know that there is an Eastern Mediterranean Middle East Chiropractic Federation (www.emmechirofed.org) representing the profession in the region, and that next June 27-30 it holds a joint first annual scientific and professional conference with SPINE (www.neareastspine.org), the regional body representing spine surgeons and other medical spine specialists.

This did not happen by chance. Some years ago Dr Stathis Papadopoulos of Cyprus, representing the region on the WFC Council, asked for WFC support for annual technique seminars to draw together DCs in the region and lead to formation of national associations and then a regional body. For the past 6 years these have been held in Cyprus, Turkey, Eygpt, UAE, Jordan, where the EMMECF was formed last year, and this year Cyprus again.

This year Dr Papadopoulos and others representing the EMMECF attended the Third Annual Conference of SPINE in Beirut, meeting with its leaders including President Dr Tony Tannoury, a spine surgeon who is originally from Lebanon but practicing in Boston, Massachusetts where he Director of

Spine Programs at Boston University. Most leaders in SPINE now practice in the USA, where many of them did their postgraduate studies.

Dr Tannoury subsequently suggested a joint and fully integrated meeting next year and this month there has been a conference call between SPINE, WFC and EMMECF leaders putting the program together. Look for more news on this by the end of January. Here we see the power of core values of unity within the profession and building collaborative relationships, and of acting with strong professional standards.

My second example is the just completed Pan American Games held in Guadalajara, Mexico during 3 weeks in October. Under the leadership of the Federation Internationale de Chiropratique du Sport (FICS – www.fics-sport.org) there was a disciplined,



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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED...

well-organized team of 44 sports chiropractic specialists, administratively supported by 27 student interns from three colleges. Under contract with the organizing committee COPAG they worked as a fully integrated part of the sports medicine team in the Games Village Polyclinic and at the sport venues.

The chiropractors were such a success with everyone – athletes, other professionals, COPAG, all – that this one event has advanced the reputation of the chiropractic profession in Mexico more than any other single event ever. Letters of praise from COPAG medical leaders confirm that, and talk of a new era of acceptance. Further, athletes from 40 countries in the Americas, many of whom had not previously had chiropractic treatment, have gone home with extremely positive impressions of chiropractic – as have their coaches, managers and other team members.

Weightlifting officials and MDs from the USA and Canada, who were among the few to complain about having chiropractors at the Games on the same terms as sports medical specialists, were told by COPAG to respect its decision to have DCs at the polyclinic and venues and had to do so. See a full report on the Games in the December issue of the FICS News at the website. Congratulations to FICS leaders including Dr Sheila Wilson, President, Dr Phil Santiago, Secretary General, Drs Tim Ray and Angela Salcedo, Chefs du Mission leading the team in Guadalajara, and COPAG Director of Chiropractic Services Dr Saul Luengas.

Again, this did not just happen. For the past four years FICS, which had been in a difficult period and would have been unable to negotiate inclusion of chiropractic in the core services for the Pan Am Games, has partnered with the WFC. This joining of forces has benefitted both organizations and their ability to advance the profession. The WFC Council has planned and supported this partnership because of its importance to the profession in general.

For the first time FICS has had staff support – from joint staff with the WFC in Toronto where FICS now has its administrative center. WFC Secretary General David Chapman-Smith serves as General Counsel for FICS. The WFC and FICS have held their Assembly meetings together since Montreal in 2009. This year complete unity has been established in the international sports chiropractic world under a revitalized FICS, a unity that had been elusive for many years, holding the profession back.

Here we see all the four core values of the WFC in action – high standards, collaboration inside and outside the profession, unity of direction – all achieved because of our passion for chiropractic. As WFC President it is exciting to see these values increasingly adopted and in action in member associations and individuals.

As we have done in recent years, the WFC has sent a donation to Sister Yengo's Children in the Congo in place of sending greeting cards. To learn more of the inspirational Sister Yengo DC, MD and her orphanage visit <a href="www.sisteryengo-schildren.org">www.sisteryengo-schildren.org</a>.

Thank you all for your combined support for the WFC and our profession, season's greetings, and I wish you a successful and healthy New Year. Let me conclude with a favorite quote from Joel Barker:

Vision without action is merely a dream. Action without vision just passes the time. Vision with action can change the world

> Michael Slynn X J Michael Flynn DC

Members of the Pan American Games sports chiropractic team.





# CHIROPRACTIC UNDER THE AFRICAN SUN

The World Federation of Chiropractic (WFC) and the Chiropractic Association of South Africa (CASA) cordially invite you to join colleagues, educators and friends from around the world at the **WFC's 12th Biennial Congress** to be held at the **International Convention Centre** in Durban, South Africa April 10-13, 2013.

Have you ever experienced South Africa, its game parks and other natural wonders? Have you experienced the quality and excitement of a WFC Congress?

This is your opportunity to do both at once. **The Academic Program** is now confirmed and can be found with much other information at **www.wfc.org/congress2013**. It is outstanding and includes:

- Themes of evidence-based care, technique, nutrition and exercise, philosophy and chiropractors as spinal care experts.
- Speakers on doctors of chiropractic as primary spine care experts are Scott Haldeman, DC, MD, PhD (the opportunities and challenges), Ian Paskowski, DC (a case example from Massachusettes) Jan Hartvigson, DC, PhD (why and how chiropractors in Denmark are increasingly accepted in this role) and Robert Gunzburg, MD, PhD, Assistant Editor-in-Chief European Spine Journal (the perspecitive of a European spine surgeon).
- There are numerous clinical and technique workshops and optional one and two-day pre-congress seminarsfor example Lindsay Rowe (imaging), Joyce Miller (pediatrics), Mark Charrette (extremity adjusting) Christopher Colloca (instrument adjusting) Brian Nook (side posture adjusting for all sizes) etc.

**Durban**, a cosmopolitan city of 4 million on one of the most beautiful beaches in South Africa, offers world class dining and entertainments. The **International Convention Centre**, site of the Congress and the recent World Climate Conference, is a state-of-the-art conference facility. An outstanding **Social Program** will include a complimentary Beach Party sponsored by the City of Durban, an African theme night on Friday and the WFC's Silver Anniversary Banquet and Dance on Saturday. Many delegates will want to go on **safari** and tour **game parks** before or after the Congress.

Plan to be with us in April 2013. Contact friends and colleagues to join you in this celebration of chiropractic.

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# **EVERYONE WINS ON WORLD SPINE DAY!**

RAND BAIRD DC, MPH, CHAIR, WFC PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

October is Chiropractic and Spinal Care Month in the chiropractic world, and October 16 is celebrated as World Spine Day.

This year the WFC decided to sponsor a World Spine Day Contest, open to associations, colleges, and even individuals whose participation and entries would raise awareness of World Spine Day and of the profession itself.

The WFC Public Health Committee appointed a panel of distinguished judges from three countries who evaluated the entries on the bases of originality, level of participation, appearance, creativity, community impact, etc. The contest winners were recently announced.

First prize of US\$1,000.00 was awarded to the premier chiropractic students from Semester 2 & 4 at the **International Medical University-IMU** of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia who worked together on a variety of inspired activities for World Spine Day 2011, including creating a poster display for the university atrium and designing a large vinyl banner proclaiming the month and hung prominently from the second level balcony.

Further activities were doing the "Walk Your Spine" in which plastic vertebral models were carried in procession lines around campus by groups of students, distributing "Straighten Up" bookmarks to faculty and students in the other medical university programs, constructing a walking sandwich sign describing chiropractic, placing an "October is Spinal Care and Chiropractic" wallpaper in every classroom computer in the entire university, etc.

Perhaps the most visual component was when the students made 26 very large vinyl vertebrae, strung them together with cords, and got permission from the university to hang them from the upper level of the central atrium spanning 3 floors for a striking visual effect vertically and horizontally as seen in the accompanying photo.









Second prize was a big winner too. The **Chiropractic Association of Australia-CAA** used World Spine Day as an opportunity for its members to connect with their local communities and for CAA to continue to leverage the *Just Start Walking Australia* program, which was officially launched during National Chiropractic Care Week 2011. The key message was to prompt people to "Just Start Walking on World Spine Day" to give their back a 'break' from our sedentary habits!

CAA members spread the word by setting up their own walking events and issuing a tailored press release to their local media. At a national level the CAA issued a press release along with an audio news release. The audio news release worked well and was picked up by over 100 radio stations nationally. CAA gained collaboration with one of the Statebased agencies as well, and also saw TV coverage in 3 states—a fantastic result!

Through the *Just Start Walking Australia* program, CAA member chiropractors have the option to set up a walking event online at <a href="www.juststartwalking.com.au">www.juststartwalking.com.au</a>. These walks can also be viewed via the *Just Start Walking Australia* mobile phone app. Some of the successful press exposure earned by CAA is displayed. The CAA received the US\$750.00 Second Prize.



Third place and a \$500.00 prize went to a great entry from Life University, Georgia, USA which used World Spine Day to inaugurate the Healthy Moves Run/Walk and Health Expo at Life University. On the eve of World Spine Day, Saturday, October 15, 2011, Life University hosted and cosponsored the inaugural Healthy Moves Initiative's 5K Run/Walk & Health Expo. This event engaged and educated the Cobb County community on the benefits of living a healthy, fit lifestyle, focusing particularly on the health of African-Americans. Approximately 250 people participated.

The 5K run and health walk utilized the scenic trails of Life University and Wildwood Park. Following the 5K run

#### EVERYONE WINS ON WORLD SPINE DAY! CONTINUED...

and health walk, a Health Expo featuring over 20 exhibitors provided information on health, fitness and nutrition. At the Health Expo Life University volunteers distributed Straighten Up Posture Pod mirror clings and Just Start Walking Activity Calendars to participants. Life University volunteers also demonstrated the Posture Pod exercises designed to improve posture and spinal health. Other co-sponsors of the Healthy Moves Initiative included Wellstar, Wade Ford, Big Peach Running Co and many local partners.



Dr Ron Kirk of Life University leads Straighten Up exercises

Honorable Mentions went to:

**Christian Calvert, DC – Sweden---** for doing spine injury prevention training among adolescents at a local upper secondary school for students learning how to be construction workers; and

**Andrea Wild, DC ---Switzerland---** organizing chiropractors to do free spine screening for schoolchildren.

The WFC congratulates and thanks all the contest participants for their hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm for their profession. Start planning now for next October 16 - World Spine Day 2012!

# FUTURE EVENTS



WFC/ACC/CCIAP Education Conference

Translating Evidence into Practice

Hosts: Murdoch University and Chiropractors' Association

of Australia

Place: Rendezvous Hotel and Murdoch University, Perth, Australia

**Date:** September 26-29, 2012

**Information:** Go to Events/Meetings at www.wfc.org



WFC's 12th Biennial Congress

Chiropractic Under the African Sun:

Current Developments in Principles and Practice

Host: Chiropractic Association of South Africa

Place: International Convention Centre, Durban, South Africa

**Date:** April 10-13, 2013

Information: <a href="https://www.wfc.org/congress2013">www.wfc.org/congress2013</a>

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# WFC NEWS



David Chapman-Smith WFC Secretary-General

#### Silver Anniversary History Book

Author Dr. Reed Phillips is making excellent progress with this work, to be launched at the Durban Congress in April, 2013 in celebration of the WFC's 25th Anniversary. Draft text is due to be completed January 31 and in November Dr. Phillips visited the WFC offices in Toronto for selection of pictures.

You can help. If you have memories of WFC events or activities of interest that should be recorded please email Dr. Phillips at <a href="mailto:rbp1963@gmail.com">rbp1963@gmail.com</a> copying your email to Sarah Yabut at <a href="mailto:syabut@wfc.org">syabut@wfc.org</a>. Please scan and email photos of interest - such as these examples:



DD Palmer with WFC Past President Dr. Louis Sportelli at the WFC Congress and Chiropractic Centennial Convention held in Washington, DC in July 1995.



Also in Washington, DC, DD with then Palmer College President Dr. Virgil Strang (right) and Dr. Douglas Baker.

WFC/ACC/CCIAP Education Conference - Rendezvous Hotel and Murdoch University, Perth, Australia, September 26-29, 2012.

Preparations are well advanced for this important conference with a theme of Translating Evidence into Practice. For full information go to Events/Meetings at <a href="www.wfc.org">www.wfc.org</a>. It was a pleasure for me to visit Murdoch University in early October



The patient clinic at the School of Chiropractic and Sports Science at Murdoch University, Perth, Australia.

to inspect the outstanding facilities for this conference and the impressive chiropractic school and clinic at the university.

Thank you to our Planning Committee comprising:

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#### Finance and Administration

Items reported to the WFC Council at its end-of-year teleconference meeting on December 6 included:

- Finance. The WFC began the year with real concerns given the economic times and the impact of these on associate members and the WFC's ability to gain endorsement income. However, largely due to the financial success of the Rio Congress and the close control of expenses, the WFC will once again be able to report a modest surplus for the year. However to achieve this result the WFC has reduced its staff from five to four, limiting service capacity and putting a significant burden on remaining staff.
- Website Translations. At our website <a href="www.wfc.org">www.wfc.org</a> you will now see three sites in English, French and Spanish. This now includes all the WFC's corporate documents (e.g. by-laws and policies) translated by professional translators.

#### WFC NEWS CONTINUED...

New Executive Secretary. In November Christina Davis joined us as the WFC's new Executive Secretary, replacing Sandra Brown who has now moved to France. Christina, who has a Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy and a strong administrative and secretarial background, is fluent in English and Greek and competent in French.



Christina Davis

# WFC's 12th Biennial Congress – Durban, South Africa, April 10-13, 2013.

Plan right now to attend this Silver Anniversary Congress hosted by the Chiropractic Association of South Africa (CASA), and to visit game parks before or after to see the Big Five and others of the animal kingdom.

The website <a href="www.wfc.org/congress2013">www.wfc.org/congress2013</a> is now live and you will see a truly exceptional academic and social program. The Congress is at the state-of-the-art International Convention Centre which recently hosted the Durban Climate Conference, and congress hotels are on the famous golden beachfront of Durban.

I was in Durban from November 3-6 to meet with the Planning Committee which is already doing outstanding work to ensure a large and successful meeting. As at the Rio Congress, there will be associated meetings held by FICS, the World Congress of Chiropractic Students (WCCS) and others.



2013 Congress Planning Committee. Front Row: Praveena Maharaj and Charmaine Korporaal. Back Row: David Chapman-Smith, Reg Engelbrecht, Caileen Walker, Michael van den Bos, Chris Yelverton and Brendon Bailes.

#### Other Meetings.

WHO Assembly, Geneva, May 21-25, 2012. Each year the
WFC has a large delegation to this annual meeting of the
World Health Organization. Goals include meeting with
ministers of health and other delegates from WFC member countries, meeting with WHO officials to further joint
projects between WHO and the WFC, and providing chiropractic input into policy.

Next year the delegation will be led by Dr. Dennis Richards, WFC First Vice-President and me and will include

Dr. Oystein Ogre, ECU President, and several others already confirmed.

Should you want to join the delegation, which is open to all WFC members and associate members, please contact Sarah Yabut at <a href="mailto:syabut@wfc.org">syabut@wfc.org</a>. Make a decision on this soon. Hotel accommodation becomes increasingly hard to find in Geneva at that time.

WFC Council Meeting – Hong Kong, June 13-16, 2012.
 One reason the WFC is meeting in Hong Kong is to meet with leaders of both the Hong Kong Chiropractors' Association (HKCA), the WFC's member association for Hong Kong, and the Chiropractic Doctors Association of Hong Kong (CDAHK) which has applied for membership.

Important issues are the future development of chiropractic not only in Hong Kong but also China generally. There is to be a two day seminar for chiropractors from Hong Kong and the Asian Region June 15-16. Look for information at <a href="https://www.wfc.org">www.wfc.org</a> before the end of January.

#### **FICS and Sports Chiropractic**

Probably the single most significant event for the chiropractic profession world-wide during the past three months is the outstanding success of the 44 member Sports Chiropractic Team at the Pan American Games in Guadalajara, Mexico October 14-30.

That is because they served all athletes as part of the core sports medicine services in the Athletes' Village Polyclinic and at the various sports venues, and were enthusiastically received by athletes (over 1900 visits), coaches, other members of the medical team and COPAG – the games organizers.

See a full report on this in the FICS News for December under Publications at <a href="www.fics-sport.org">www.fics-sport.org</a> and at the link <a href="http://fics-sport.org/portal/index.php?option=com\_content&task=view&id=19&Itemid=72">http://fics-sport.org/portal/index.php?option=com\_content&task=view&id=19&Itemid=72</a>

As WFC President Dr. Mike Flynn notes in his President's Message, FICS and the WFC are deriving mutual benefit from their current close relationship. Under a contract now in its fourth year the WFC is providing staff support for FICS and I have the privilege of serving as FICS General Counsel. All the staff work for preparation of the FICS News was completed at the WFC offices in Toronto.

Let me add my warm congratulations to the many doctors who made the Pan Am Games such a success – particularly Co-Chefs du Mission Dr. Tim Ray and Dr. Angela Salcedo of the USA, and Dr. Saul Luengas and Dr. Raul Carrillo of Mexico, who served respectively as COPAG Chief of Chiropractic Services and Coordinator of Chiropractic Services.

However ultimately success depended upon disciplined, professional and fine work by all members of the team, who are listed in the FICS News – so major congratulations to them also.



# BONE AND JOINT DECADE GLOBAL ALLIANCE FOR MUSCULOSKELETAL HEALTH

DEBORAH KOPANSKY-GILES, DC, MSC, FCCS

It is my privilege to represent the WFC and the profession on the International Coordinating Committee (ICC) of the Bone and Joint Decade (BJD-www.boneandjointdecade.org.)

From October 13-17 I attended the annual BJD World Network Meeting, held this year in Beirut, Lebanon partly to help promote the BJD in the Middle East Region. There were 110 invited delegates at the meeting, all leaders internationally in the professions managing MSK health. Other chiropractors were Dr. Stathis Papadopoulos of Cyprus, representing the WFC, and Dr. Jakob Lothe representing Norway. Dr. Lothe, who is president of the Norwegian Chiropractors' Association, is also Chair (leader) of the BJD National Action Network (NAN) for Norway.

The opening reception was held at the official residence of the Chair of the Lebanese parliament, with the Minister of Health and eight other ministers present. There was excellent media coverage for the meeting which was reported on all major television and radio stations on each of the three days. Features of the meeting included:

- A scientific symposium focusing on advances in knowledge about MSK disorders in the past decade (e.g. back and neck pain, RA, osteoporosis and fragility factures, surgical techniques, osteoarthritis and trauma). I was asked to speak on rehabilitation.
- Updates on BJD activities. Here my role was to report on representing the BJD at the August World Health Organization meeting at the United Nations in New York, advocating for greater research funding and support from governments for MSK disorders.
- A Middle East Summit to establish a BJD Regional Action Council (RAC) for the Middle East. This was attended by Dr. Papadopoulos who will now represent the profession on the new RAC being formed.
- A meeting of NAN Coordinators. They met to discuss local issues, challenges and successes, and Dr. Lothe represented his NAN and the profession at this meeting.
- We received many questions from participants for more information about chiropractic and medical leaders from countries such as China, Hungary, and Turkey asked for contacts with chiropractors in their countries – since given to them by the WFC.

Both Dr. Lothe and I have now been to several of the BJD World Network meetings, and both of us noted much greater recognition of and respect for chiropractic. During discussions about the importance of collaboration amongst health professions there was frequent mention of the chiropractic profession. World Spine Day October 16 occurs each year

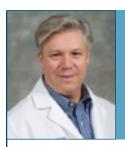
during this BJD meeting. In a move of great significance for the chiropractic profession, the WFC was asked to manage World Spine Day for the BJD from next year. This has now been confirmed. From early next year the WFC will communicate with all interested parties in the BJD (e.g. NANs, health professional organizations, patient and consumer organizations) and there will likely be development of a new website specifically for World Spine Day similar to the current website for World Osteoporosis Day.



BJD International Coordinating Committee and Staff in Beirut.



Dr. Papadopoulos (left), Dr. Kopansky-Giles and Dr. Lothe with Professor Ghassan Maalouf, Professor of Clinical Orthopaedic Surgery, Bellevue University Medical Center, Omaha, Nebraska, who is a member of the BJD ICC and president of the WHO Task Force for Fragility Fractures. This picture was taken in his home in Beirut where he hosted a function for international guests.



# REPORT ON THE 26TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NASS

GREG WHITCOMB DC AND SCOTT HALDEMAN DC, MD, PHD



Chicago, IL - The North American Spine Society (NASS) held is 26th Annual Meeting at McCormick Place from November 1-5, 2011. The conference was attended by nearly 4,000 spine specialists from 54 countries around the world. This meeting reflected NASS' continued dedication to evidence-based practice against the backdrop of impending dramatic change in the US health care system.

Although surgeons and medical specialists form the majority of the members of NASS, this conference has always been open to chiropractors and other health care professionals with an interest in the latest developments in all areas of spine research and treatment. It is unclear how many chiropractors attended NASS this year but there were multiple chiropractors at several of the concurrent sessions.

Building on its commitment to multidisciplinary care, this year's meeting again offered informative and engaging Allied Health Track sessions on nonsurgical and nonmedical spine care and rehabilitation. Of particular interest to chiropractic attendees were Symposia on "The Fundamentals of Evidence Based Medicine", "Coding Update 2011: Essentials and Controversies of Operative and Nonoperative Spine Care Coding", "MRI of the Spine and Spinal Image Guidance" and "Spondylolisthesis: Operative and Nonoperative Treatment".

Other Symposia and Special Interest Groups where there was chiropractic input or attendance were on such topics as "Spinal Impairment Rating", "Comparative Effectiveness Research", "Quality of Life Measures", "ICD-10 Coding Implementation", "EMR & Data Collection" and "Health Policy Initiatives relative to the Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act of 2010". There was also a special reception for Allied Health Care clinicians allowing for stimulating interaction with a variety of clinicians and researchers of similar interests.

As usual, the conference featured extensive presentation of the latest international spinal research. Of over 1,000 submitted abstracts, the program committee accepted in excess of 300 of the best platform and scientific poster presentations. Over the years, numerous chiropractors have presented their latest research at NASS conferences. This year, **Mark Erwin DC**, **PhD** of Toronto, Canada presented a well-crafted study on "Intervertebral Disc-Derived Stem Cells: Implications for Regenerative Medicine and Neural Repair".

Keynote speaker and best-selling author Louann Brizendine, MD gave an enlightening talk on relationship dynamics vis a' vis the neurobiology of the male and female brains. Highlighting the conference was a riveting overview of the impending economic, socio-political and legal ramifications of the Affordable Care Act by the NASS president.

Scott Haldeman DC, MD, PhD and Bill Watters MD presented an update on the World Spine Care program to the Board of Directors of NASS. The World Spine Care project was also included as part of the Global Spine Forum and was received with considerable interest and enthusiasm; a number of attendees requested additional information on how to serve directly or in fundraising activities. Representatives of two spine societies also agreed to bring the project to the attention of their associations for possible participation.

2011 marked the third year that NASS has offered Chiropractic Continuing Education credits. In collaboration, with the National University of Health Sciences and the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College, this benefit now extends to attendees from most of the US states and Canadian provinces.

Since its inception, chiropractic leaders have recognized NASS as an invaluable educational and networking resource for the chiropractic profession as it navigates an increasingly integrated and complex health care system. Participation in NASS, and attendance at its Annual Meeting, provides unique insight into the latest research and treatment options in a cutting edge forum unavailable to chiropractors elsewhere.

This opportunity to network with spine surgeons and medical spine specialists facilitates further chiropractic inclusion in a health care market trending toward multidisciplinary spine care, collaborative research and integrated spine professional association.

Next year's annual convention will be held in Dallas, TX. Please check the NASS website [www.spine.org] regarding abstract submission and registration information.



Dr. Mark Erwin DC, PhD of Toronto, Canada

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# ASSOCIATE MEMBER REPORT

RAND BAIRD DC, MPH, CHAIR, WFC ASSOCIATE MEMBER COMMITTEE

WFC Salutes all our Individual and Corporate Associate Members as we work as partners together for the good of chiropractic and the citizens of the world who benefit from chiropractic care.

# World Federation of Chiropractic Welcomes New Corporate Associate Members

The World Federation of Chiropractic (WFC) announces its newest corporate Associate Members for 2011, joining the community of vendors that provide the highest quality in chiropractic services, equipment, and supplies. The WFC welcomes these two new corporate Associate Members who recently joined to support the mission and goals of the WFC.

**Thumper® Massager Inc.**, designs, manufactures and distributes professional quality massage equipment and back supports. Each product is ingeniously designed and meticulously built in Canada. For over 30 years, Thumper Massager Inc. has been developing massage products that make people feel good.

Their products have received overwhelming positive response from doctors to massage therapists, from chiropractors to physiotherapists and from conditioning coaches and fitness trainers to professional athletes and home users. More than 200,000 health professionals use Thumper Massagers in treating muscle aches and tension with true vertical percussion.

All Thumper products fit perfectly into the health and wellness-conscious lifestyles of today. Over 90% of total production is exported to global markets. Products are Thumper Professional Body Massager, Thumper Mini Pro Handheld massager, Thumper Versa Pro Complete Body massager, Thumper Sport, Thumper Equine, Thumper Flexor Pro and Thumper Companion.

The company is based outside Toronto and can be reached at Toll Free: 1-800-THUMPER(848-6737) or found on its website: <a href="www.thumpermassager.com">www.thumpermassager.com</a>. Michael Watters is the corporation's Director of Business Development, while Paul and Ines Sajgalik serve respectively as CEO and Sales Manager.

Thumper Massager joined the WFC at the Silver Level earlier this year after supporting WFC as an exhibitor at both the WFC Brazil & Montreal Congresses.

Kinesio Taping Association International (KTAI) is a globally recognized organization representing thousands of members in over 80 countries. Nearly 700 courses (2-3 days each) are conducted each year around the world on the professional use and certification of Kinesio Taping. KTAI is led by the founder of the Kinesio Taping Method, Kenzo Kase, D.C. (National College of Chiropractic, 1974 (NUHS). For 30 years, Kinesio Taping® has been breaking new ground in the fields of sports medicine, pain management and physical therapy.

The Kinesio Taping Method is designed to facilitate the body's natural healing process while allowing support and stability to muscles and joints without restricting the body's range of motion. It is used to successfully treat a variety of orthopedic, neuromuscular, neurological, and medical conditions. Chiropractors throughout the world use Kinesio Taping, particularly for pre/post manipulation to support the adjustment and recovery between visits, and for sports injuries.

Michael Good is the International Director for Kinesio Holding Corporation (USA) and can be reached in Albuquerque, NM at 505-856-2029. The association website along with product information is <a href="https://www.KinesioTaping.com">www.KinesioTaping.com</a>. KTAI joined the WFC as a Bronze level member, and exhibited at the WFC Congress in Rio this year.

**Vibe For Health** designs and manufactures vibration therapy devices which use 3-dimensional oscillating vibration. The Vibe was designed by a doctor and the majority of our customers are doctors whose reputations depend upon the results they achieve with their patients. The Vibe is manufactured locally in the United States and is engineered for one reason – results.

Ahmelie Skistad is the Executive Director of Vibe For Health and the organization is based in Madison Lake, 46743 Melanie Drive, MN USA, Tel: (866) 520-4270. For more product and company information, please visit their website at www.vibeforhealth.com.

Neuromechanical Innovation (NMI) was founded by Dr. Chris Colloca with an aim to revolutionize chiropractic practice infusing clinical excellence derived from evidence-based practice and research in its products and services for the doctor of chiropractic. Dr. Colloca has led hundreds of post-graduate educational chiropractic seminars training thousands of doctors throughout the United States and around the World teaching new research-based chiropractic instrument adjusting techniques and procedures that generate legendary results and exponential practice growth.

Neuromechanical Innovation is a long time supporter of WFC and will now be the **Platinum Sponsor** of **WFC's 12th Biennial Congress** in Durban, South Africa and has recently renewed it corporate membership with WFC to the Platinum level.

The organization is based at 101 South Roosevelt Avenue in Chandler, Arizona, USA. Tel: 480-785-8448 or 888-294-4750. More product information can be found at <a href="https://www.neuromechanical.com">www.neuromechanical.com</a>.



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Several associate corporate members renewed their annual commitments to the WFC in the fourth quarter of 2011. These included:

#### Platinum — \$10,000

- Foot Levelers
- Neuromechanical Innovations

Gold — \$2,500

- Cleveland Chiropractic College

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- Belgium Chiropractic Union
- Da Vinci Labs
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- Integrated Assessment Services Inc.
- Kinesio Taping Association International
- Southern California University of Health Sciences



Dr. Michael Flynn

Dr. Michael Flynn, President of the WFC, praised the generosity of the WFC corporate associate members, "These fine companies support the chiropractic profession and provide first-class products and services for our chiropractors and their patient's needs. They've earned our support in return."

The WFC welcomes additional corporate and individual Associate Members, and encourages DCs throughout the world to consult the WFC website before buying chiropractic products and services. Please patronize and support the WFC's sponsors, and remember to "Look for the WFC logo before you buy."



A full list of the WFC associate members, both corporate and individual, along with detailed information about the WFC and information about joining can be found at the newly-redesigned WFC website www.wfc.org.

## When did you last visit www.wfc.org?

#### Go there now for:

- ♦ Information on the profession country contacts, schools worldwide, legal status by country, history, etc.
- ♦ Information on the WFC including its links with WHO and the WHO Guidelines
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- ♦ News and past issues of the WFC Quarterly World Report
- ♦ Much more

# WORLD NOTES

#### Australia





Dr Laurie Tassell

Dr Laurie Tassell of Riverton, Western Australia, a graduate of Palmer College in Davenport, was recently elected President of the Chiropractors' Association of Australia. Here is a reprint of his first President's Message from the November issue of the CAA's newsletter The Australian Chiropractor. It describes the planned direction of the CAA under his presidency.

This is an interesting time for the chiropractic profession. We have several stakeholder groups, both internal and external fighting to shape the profession

according to their own individual belief system. It is of utmost importance that the field practitioners, by far the biggest stakeholder group, step up and control this debate or we will find a minority group defining our future as a profession.

The first thing we need to do is recognize that as a profession we are now part of mainstream health care. For as long as I can remember we have vigorously defended ourselves against attempts to label us as either mainstream or alternative. However whether we like it or not forces, largely outside our control, have made the decision for us.

By necessity chiropractors have been very tribal in their behavior. We have very much existed on the periphery of health care. Traditionally we have had high rates of patient satisfaction and enviable patient outcomes. Our practices have been our place of safety. When under threat from external sources we retreat to the safety of our practices being affirmed by our patients. If they love us it doesn't matter much what our critics say or think.

We have developed a language of our own – one that has become enmeshed with our identity. Our natural reaction is to vilify anyone who challenges our concepts or our terminology. We controlled the profession through an education system based in private colleges. Until recently we have been subject to little external scrutiny from governments, the academic community and other professional organizations.

National registration, increasing interaction with government funded programs, growth of the university-based programs, the push for evidence based practice and a market share of 250,000 consultations per week are all factors which have combined to reposition the profession. We no longer sit on the periphery of the health care system.

Being part of the mainstream means challenges for the way we express ourselves, how we interact with governments, other professional bodies and the educational institutions. It means greater external scrutiny and demands a higher level of professional behavior on our part. This is not something for us to fear but rather to embrace. It does not mean being integrated into the medical system and a subsequent loss of identity. We must mature as a profession without compromising our identity linked to vitalism, the spine and the nervous system. What makes our task more complicated than it needs to be are the extremes in the profession. The extremes being those who hide behind philosophy as an excuse for practice building and those who hide behind evidence based practice as an excuse to make chiropractic a subset of medicine limited to treating neck pain and back pain.

My term as president will be characterized by three themes. How we communicate and interact with the broader health care community, the need to validate (research) our clinical experiences and positioning the profession within mainstream health care.

#### Canada



#### **Carrick and Crosby**

Since September chiropractic neurologist Dr. Ted Carrick has attracted major media attention in Canada and the USA because

of the dramatic results he has achieved with hockey's biggest star, Sidney Crosby.

Crosby, a Canadian who is captain of the Pittsburgh Penguins in the National Hockey League (NHL), had been out of the game for eight months following concussion injuries the best medical experts could not resolve. It seemed he would not return to the ice for the new season beginning September.

However, after months without progress there was a rapid and complete remission of symptoms in August-September when he consulted Dr. Carrick. Suddenly Crosby was fit for training camp and the new season, and Dr. Carrick was sitting next to Crosby on national television news in Canada. On November 14 Maclean's Magazine, the Canadian equivalent of TIME and Newsweek, had a major article on Carrick under the heading Rebuilding Crosby's Brain.

Dr. Carrick's treatment methods to stimulate Crosby's injured brain and resolve his symptoms of nausea and dizziness and lack of concentration included spinning Crosby around in a computerized rotating chair known as a" whole-body gyro-





Crosby discusses his progress watched by Dr. Ted Carrick

scope" stationed in his laboratory at Life University, Atlanta. Dr. Carrick's unique approach to treating brain injuries also incorporates various exercises challenging eye movement, balance and stability, all of which of course have key importance to an elite hockey player.

To learn more about this story, and experience it in what Maclean's calls

"augmented reality" go to macleans.ca/ar on your computer or macleans.ca/arapp on an Apple or Android device.

#### **Bussières at McGill**



This month the Canadian Chiropractic Research Foundation (CCRF), in partnership with McGill University in Montreal, announced that Dr. André Bussières, DC, PhD (candidate) has been awarded the McGill CCRF Research Professorship in Rehabilitation Epidemiology in the Faculty of Medicine at McGill.

Dr. André Bussières

McGill, with more than 36,000 students, eight affiliated teaching hospitals, and over \$1 billion in annual operating revenues, is an internationally renowned research centre and generally regarded as Canada's leading University.

Dr. Bussières (CMCC 1991) has been a faculty member at the Chiropractic Department at the University of Quebec at Trois-Rivieres since 2002 and is just completing his PhD at the University of Ottawa with a thesis that focuses on knowledge transfer and clinical practice guidelines.

For an informative and inspiring summary of chiropractic research capacity in Canada visit the CCRF website <a href="https://www.candianchiropracticreserachfoundation.com">www.candianchiropracticreserachfoundation.com</a>.

#### **Cyprus**



From Dr. Stathis Papadopoulos, President, EMMECF

The first Congress of the Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East Chiropractic

Federation (EMMECF) held in Limassol, Cyprus from November 11-12 was very successful. It was attended by chiropractors from eight countries in the region (Bahrain, Cyprus, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates) and several European countries.

Events included were a Disc Pathology Seminar by Drs Margaret Seron and John Hyland generously sponsored by Foot Levelers, a presentation by the American Institute of Minimally Invasive Surgery (AIMIS), another sponsor, and the General Council Meeting of the EMMECF. Significant items arising from the Council meeting include:

- The new website <u>www.emmechirofed.org</u> was reviewed and approved.
- Dr. Amy Bowzaylo of Bahrain was appointed Chair of a Communications Committee to develop a regular newsletter for EMMECF members, important for our continued growth and success in the region.
- Dr. Abdullah Al-Harbi (Logan, 2006) of Saudi Arabia, EMMECF Treasurer, agreed to lead a project to translate

- the WHO Guidelines on Basic Training on Safety in Chiropractic into Arabic.
- It was agreed to hold the second EMMECF Congress in Beirut, Lebanon from June 28-30, 2012 together with the SPINE Society (<u>www.mideastspine.org</u>) representing spine surgeons and specialists in the region.
- The following officers were confirmed Dr. Efstathios Papadopoulos (Cyprus) President, Dr. Mustafa Agaoglou (Turkey) 1st Vice President, Dr. Samer Shebib (Syria) 2nd Vice President, Dr. Reza Jafari (Iran) Secretary, Dr. Abdalluh Al Harbi (Saudi Arabia) Treasurer, Dr. Amy Bowzylo (Bahrain) Communications Officer.



Dr. John Hyland speaks at the Disc Pathology Seminar



Dr. Amy Bowzylo of Bahrain asks a question. To her right are Dr. Kristin Carroll of the UAE and Dr. Hany Elbibany of Egypt



Dr. Papadopoulos and WFC Secretary-General Mr. David Chapman-Smith with the leaders of AIMIS at the American Heart Institute, the state-of-the-art hospital facility in which AIMIS provides minimally invasive spine surgery services, encouraging post-surgical chiropractic care for optimal recovery.

#### Iran



In a recent report Dr. Hossein Sabbagh, President, Iranian Chiropractic Association (IRCA), explains that there is now widespread acceptance of chiropractic by

the public and other professions in Iran, where the practice of chiropractic is regulated and licensed by law.

Doctors of chiropractic are invited and encouraged to participate in conferences organized by other medical associations, and IRCA members see increased medical referrals to their offices.

Dr. Sabbagh has lectured at three medical conferences during 2011. IRCA continuing education programs are recognized and approved by the Iranian Ministry of Health and provide CE credits not only for chiropractors but also medical specialists (e.g. spine surgeons, neurologists, orthopedists, rheumatologists, etc.)

Through Dr. Michael Hall and Parker College of Chiropractic, the IRCA has in the past year been offering a postdoctorate certification in neurology, with the most recent session held in Tehran in September.

Another IRCA project this year, with sponsorship and support from the toy company LEGO, is a campaign to raise awareness regarding the importance of scoliosis screening, early diagnosis and treatment. Informative posters and brochures are available in all LEGO stores across Iran and at all IRCA member offices.





Delegates and Dr. Hall (front, center right in group photo) at the recent Chiropractic Clinical Neurology Seminar in Tehran, sponsored by LEGO.





LEGO brochure and poster.

#### Japan



Members of the Japanese Association of Chiropractors (JAC) have donated over 200,000 Yen (US\$2,600) to the Red Cross in Japan and donated extensive chi-

ropractic services since the earthquake, tsunami and nuclear power plant disaster in March.

The project for volunteer chiropractic services has been led Dr. Yusuke Yoshikawa, a member of the JAC Board of Directors, and involves about 40 JAC members. Initially afflicted people were treated at the evacuation shelter in Yamamotocho of Miyagi. When this shelter was closed at the end of July volunteer chiropractors continued to offer care to those in temporary housing in Shirakawa of Fukushima.

Dr. Kei Takeyachi JAC Executive Director, reports that many people were devastated by moving from their homes never knowing whether they can return. "They are under severe distress from disruption of their lives and the threat from radio-active contamination and even small injuries sustained during the earthquake turn to serious musculoskeletal disorders. Many have responded very well to chiropractic care, and have had tears of gratitude after receiving treatment." This volunteer project is long-term and continuing.

This year's JAC Honor Award was presented to Dr. Phillip Ebrall, former Head of the RMIT University chiropractic program, for his contribution to chiropractic education in

Japan where the Tokyo College of Chiropractic (TCC) was formerly RMIT Japan. Dr. Ebrall, who continues as an education advisor to TCC, currently holds a new appointment as professor for the chiropractic program about to start at Central Queensland University in Australia.

The JAC is currently negotiating with universities to commence the first university-based chiropractic program in Japan. This follows meetings since August with senior representatives of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) advising that a university based program is possible and appropriate even though there is no law to recognize and regulate chiropractic in Japan.



JAC relief team members (back row from left) Dr. Naoki Orihashi, Dr. Kiyoji Maeda, Dr. Shuhei Oguchi, and Dr. Keita Sato (front row from left) Dr. Nubuo Kondo, and Dr. Taiji Watanabe with local government staff member Mr. Saito.



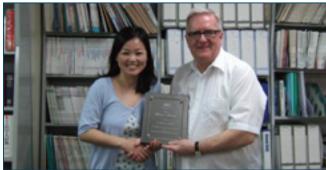




JAC Executive Director Dr. Kei Takevachi and temporary housing in Shirakawa







Dr. Ebrall receives his award

#### Norway



At the Norwegian Chiropractors' Association's Annual Convention in October Dr. Tim Lothe Raven was named Chiropractor of the Year. Receiving his award

his said that "I gladly follow in my wife's footsteps" - winner last year was his wife Dr. Lisa Lothe.

Dr. Raven, born and raised in Australia where he graduated as a chiropractor at RMIT University in Melbourne in 1988, has practiced in Grimstad, Norway since 2000. He holds an MSc in clinical chiropractic from AECC and the University of Portsmouth, and is completing a PhD at the University of Oslo.

He currently serves as president of the European Council on Chiropractic Education (ECCE) and his many other activities and elected offices include being the NCA's representative

on the Nordic Chiropractors' Research Forum and co-author of the European Guidelines for Chiropractic Incident Reporting and Learning Systems. He is collaborating with Dr. Craig Liebenson to present a functional rehabilitation model of care to chiropractors in Europe.

Dr. Lisa Lothe who practices with her husband in Grimstad and is a Palmer College graduate, continues in many Dr. Tim Lothe Raven



leadership roles in Norway and Europe. For the ECU and its European Academy of Chiropractic she is Registrar and a member of a Working Group on Specialty Training. In Norway she is coordinator for a Research School for chiropractors at Stavanger University that is bringing clinicians into research at the PhD level.



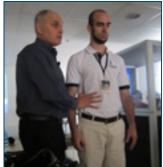
Dr. Lisa Lothe, addressing the WFC/ACC/CECE Education Conference at the School of Chiropractic RCU Escorial Maria Cristina in Madrid, Spain last year.

#### Peru

The first Latin American Congress of Neuroscience and Vertebral Column Care was held in Lima, Peru from October 13-15 hosted by the Peruvian Chiropractors

Association (PCA) and the Latin American Federation of Chiropractic (FLAQ). Peru currently has 32 doctors of chiropractic, 21 of whom belong to the PCA. There is no law to regulate chiropractic practice but the profession is well-established and the PCA is in negotiations to start a first chiropractic educational program in Peru.





Dr Dan Murphy, Dr Malik Slosberg and Dr Ricardo Fujikawa lecturing at the Congress.



At the Congress the main academic program was open to all health professionals because one goal of the Congress was to create a wider understanding of chiropractic. Doctors of chiropractic from Peru, Argentina, Brazil and Chile were joined by medical doctors and physiotherapists from Colombia, Ecuador and Peru.

Keynote speakers for one day each were Dr. Dan Murphy and Dr. Malik Slosberg, both on the faculty of Life Chiropractic College West in Hayward, California. A Saturday Gonstead workshop for chiropractors only was given by Dr. Ricardo Fujikawa, Head of Chiropractic Studies at RCU Maria Cristina in Madrid, Spain.

FLAQ held an Assembly of Members on Saturday evening and members left Peru with confidence at the PCA is wellorganized and growing, and that the chiropractic profession has a bright future in the country.

#### **South Africa**





Dr. Molly Meri Robinson Nicol

In the first week of November the Classifications, Terminologies and Standards Unit of the World Health Organization, which is responsible for WHO's International Classification of Diseases (ICD) and other classifications, and which is where chiropractor Dr. Molly Meri Robinson Nicol is a senior technical officer, held its annual Network Meeting in Cape Town, South Africa.

The several hundred delegates in attendance represented WHO's collaborating centers for international classifications throughout the world. Host collaborating centre was the Medical

Research Council of South Africa. Dr. Kendrah Da Silva, Past President of the Chiropractic Association of South Africa (CASA), was on the MRC Organizing Committee for the meeting and attended as one of it's delegates.

Dr. Da Silva, who practices in Johannesburg, has a strong background in coding, has been CASA's expert in this field during the past decade, and serves on a WFC committee chaired by Dr. Kopansky-Giles of Canada that is providing chiropractic input into current revisions of the ICD.



Dr. Kendrah Da Silva (center) with Lynet Clarke and Elaine Sauls, coders from Medcode

The purposes of the annual Network Meeting included WHO receiving feedback from its international network, but also training and education of participants with a view to better understanding and consistent implementation of WHO's family of international classifications. For more on the WHO-FIC network go to <a href="https://www.who.int/classifications/network/en/">www.who.int/classifications/network/en/</a>. For more on the annual Network Meeting in Cape Town, go to <a href="https://www.who.int/classifications/network/meeting2011/en/">www.who.int/classifications/network/meeting2011/en/</a>.



Dr. Bedirhan Usten, Director and Coordinator Classifications, Terminologies and Standards, WHO Headquarters, Geneva, with delegates.

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