President's Message

Throughout the developed world strong winds of change are being felt in inefficient, costly and unsatisfactory healthcare systems.

Nowhere is this more true than in the management of spinal conditions. The new global burden of disease study reports that back pain is the single largest cause of disability. In health reform in the USA current management of spinal conditions is seen as particularly uncoordinated, ineffective and expensive – and a prime area for reform with new spinal care pathways and professional roles.

There are similar concerns and developments in my country of Canada and in the UK, where the National Health Service (NHS) is finally becoming more open to the inclusion of chiropractic services. Recent articles in the British Medical Journal have suggested revised primary care models for the management of spinal disorders, with chiropractors and physiotherapists having a more central role.

The chiropractic profession must understand and seize the huge opportunities this era of reform is offering. However this involves understanding the challenges and how to respond to them.

Against this background it is timely that the joint WFC Congress and ECU Convention in Athens being held May 13-16, 2015 has a theme of The Alpha and Omega of Spinal Healthcare. This is your opportunity to understand and react to what is happening in healthcare systems influencing your practice.

We have an outstanding lineup of speakers you need hear. The whole of the second morning consists of lectures then panel and audience discussion of Opportunities in Spinal Healthcare. Our speakers have real expertise and experience, authorities such as:

RIO Summer Olympics – Applications Now Open

Reprinted from the FICS News, September 2014

The call for all volunteers for the Rio de Janeiro Summer Olympics (RIO 2016) in Brazil in August 2016, including chiropractors to provide services in the host medical services team in the polyclinics, is now open online at www.rio2016.org/volunteer. You have until November 15 to apply.

It has been my privilege to lead negotiations for chiropractic services in the polyclinics, greatly assisted by Dr Tom Greenway, Lead Chiropractor for the host team of chiropractors for the London Olympics and others from FICS (the International Sports Chiropractic Federation). Chiropractic services will be provided on a similar basis to the London Olympics, which is as part of the Physical Therapy Services, which will include physiotherapy, chiropractic and osteopathy. That is because of the great success of this model in London as reported by athletes, coaches, administrators and all who served in the host services team.

Brazilian and international chiropractors are invited to apply. There is no requirement to speak Portuguese. Volunteers will receive meals, transport in Rio de Janeiro, and uniforms but not accommodation.

The exact number of chiropractors has not yet been decided. This is because of an issue concerning some Brazilian PTs who claim...
• Anthony Woolf MD, the UK Professor of Rheumatology who leads the International Alliance for Musculoskeletal Health and the European Musculoskeletal Surveillance and Information Network. Dr Woolf’s special interests and expertise include disability from and the best management of musculoskeletal conditions, and he will explain the need for a new approach to management of spinal disorders and the opportunities for the chiropractic profession.

• Rick Branson DC and Scott Haldeman DC, MD PhD of the USA and Jan Hartvigsen DC, PhD of Denmark, chiropractic experts in this field.

• Nadine Foster PT, PhD, Professor of Musculoskeletal Health in Primary Care at Keele University in the UK. Dr Foster, originally from Ireland, is a dynamic, informed and articulate speaker on the subject.

Others include Mark Gurden, who is successfully negotiating contracts for chiropractic services in the UK’s NHS, and Kathy Cambas, former editor of the Athens Hilton Magazine, who will present the patient’s perspective. Elsewhere in the program Palmer Chancellor Dr Dennis Marchiori describes the Palmer College Identity Project which, similar to the WFC Project, confirmed chiropractors as primary care experts in spinal health and wellness. Speakers from Australia, Europe, Asia and Africa, comment on how this is playing out in their countries. Two of the world’s foremost chiropractic leaders in research and policy, Dr Christine Goertz of the USA and Dr Pierre Côté of Canada, then summarize why the spinal health identity is of such importance for the profession in this era.

There is much else in the program in Athens. The first day is devoted to biomechanics and neurology. Prominent chiropractic speakers are joined by international authorities such as Australian Paul Hodges PT, PhD on Neuroplasticity and Patterns of Motor Control and Stewart McGill PhD of Canada on Injury Mechanisms Initiating the Painful Spine, and Pain Provocation Assessment.

Visit www.wfc.org/congress2015 for all details, including a range of discounted one and two-day pre-congress technique seminars. For those attending the WFC Assembly on Tuesday, May 12 – and all chiropractors are welcome as observers – there is to be a provocative forum on use of language by the chiropractic profession in this era of increased integration and utilization. A dynamic, young European leader, Dr Vivian Kil of the Netherlands, will give us the perspective of this generation’s graduates when she delivers the John A Sweaney Lecture.

These are challenging but very exciting times. The profession has opportunities as never before now that its healthcare approach is supported by evidence-based clinical guidelines, and is seen to be cost effective and to produce patient satisfaction rates that no other profession can match.

But individual chiropractors must understand what is happening and how they and the profession must react if the winds of change are to fill our sails rather than blow us backwards. Join us in Athens next May, one of the world’s most attractive cities, and learn and be part of the game change yourself.
An August proclamation from John Kitzhaber MD, Governor, State of Oregon, illustrating the concerns about spinal health care in the USA

STATE OF OREGON

PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: Oregon and our nation have a growing health care crisis, the cost of which is having a profound impact on our state and national budgets; and

WHEREAS: The State of Oregon has a goal to produce healthy citizens rather than simply financing and delivering health care; and

WHEREAS: The State of Oregon has one of the highest sales rates for prescription opioid narcotics and spinal surgeries per capita in the nation; and

WHEREAS: The State of Oregon Evidence-based Low Back Pain Management Guidelines recommend spinal manipulation as the only drug-free treatment for acute, subacute, and chronic low back pain; and

WHEREAS: Oregon’s 1,500 licensed Doctors of Chiropractic are primary care providers specializing in spinal manipulation but also on health promotion and wellness; and

WHEREAS: A seven-year prospective follow-up study analyzing 70,274 member-months of patients managed by doctors of chiropractic resulted in an 85% reduction in drug costs, 62% reduction in MRIs and surgeries, 60.2% reduction of, in-hospital admissions, and a 59% reduction in hospital days; and

WHEREAS: Services of Doctors of Chiropractic result in improved health, satisfaction, safety and reduced per capita costs.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim October 2014 to be

OREGON CHIROPRACTIC HEALTH AND WELLNESS MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, August 25, 2014.

John A. Kitzhaber M.D., Governor

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Education for a Changing Healthcare Environment
Place: Sheraton Miami Airport Hotel, Miami, Florida
Date: October 29 – November 1, 2014
Information: [www.wfc.org/educationconference2014](http://www.wfc.org/educationconference2014)

North American Spine Society (NASS) Annual Meeting
Place: San Francisco, USA
Dates: November 12-15, 2014
Information: [www.nassannualmeeting.org](http://www.nassannualmeeting.org)
See article on page 10

WFC’s 13th Congress and 2015 ECU Convention
Hosts: Hellenic Chiropractors’ Association
Place: Athens Hilton Hotel, Athens, Greece
Dates: May 13 – 16, 2015
Information: [www.wfc.org/congress2015](http://www.wfc.org/congress2015)

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With his passing the chiropractic profession has lost an inspirational leader."

Dr Richard Brown, ECU, Secretary-General

Dr Robert Gevers (Palmer, 1974), founding President of the Asociación Española de Quiropráctica (AEQ – Spanish Chiropractic Association) in 1986, at a time when chiropractors in Spain faced the daily risk of prosecution for the illegal practice of medicine, lived to see the profession well-established with two schools of chiropractic, and with his son Dr Carlos Gevers-Montoro (Life West, 2003) serving as AEQ President. Dr Gevers passed away on May 18, 2014. We honour and celebrate his life with these reflections.

Dr Robert Gevers was born in 1948 in Antwerp, Belgium and received a bachelor’s degree in economics from the University of Leuven (1970) before attending Palmer College and finding his true passion in life – chiropractic.

Upon graduation in 1974 he established his practice in Madrid, Spain, his wife’s home country. He was so successful that there was soon a three months then later a six months’ waiting list for new patients.

In 1986 with five pioneering colleagues he founded the AEQ to support the extensive personal work he was already doing to achieve legal recognition of the chiropractic profession in Spain. He served as AEQ President until 1994. Meanwhile his family had grown to three daughters and a son, three of whom would become chiropractors.

"Robert was a close friend and partner in the 1980s as we worked on the international organization of the profession, with formation of the World Federation of Chiropractic and the development of chiropractic in Spain,” says Dr Gary Auerbach of Tucson, Arizona who served as the WFC’s first President following its formation in 1988. "Robert had so much to do with the successful growth of the profession in Spain and will continue to do so through his son Carlos, now AEQ President.”

"Robert was a passionate, influential and important leader in Spain and Europe,” says WFC’s Secretary-General David Chapman-Smith. "I have great respect for his pioneering spirit, vision and achievements for the profession. One of my great memories is attending the second annual meeting of the AEQ in Madrid in 1988. There was unlimited passion for chiropractic in the room, dinner commenced at 1 am and none of us went to bed that night.”

Upon formation in 1986 the AEQ joined the European Chiropractors’ Union (ECU). In its notice to members of Dr Gevers’ passing the ECU quoted this comment from him: “Chiropractic is the most gratifying profession there is if practiced with generosity and a giving attitude.” These words, as the ECU notes, will resonate with chiropractors across the world.

The WFC honors and celebrates the life of Dr Gevers, offers condolences to his family and friends, and thanks his son Carlos for the following words in memory of his father.

Robert married into a family in which the parents had been direct disciples of BJ Palmer himself, and soon found his passion in chiropractic. He travelled to Davenport by boat, and returned by plane carrying with him his first daughter and a doctor of chiropractic degree.

But he did not settle back in Belgium. He chose to establish his practice in a country where chiropractic was new and unknown and needed pioneers. This was Spain, where he fell in love not only with a Spaniard, my mother, but the whole country and grew to be its most successful chiropractor.

His multiple practices in Madrid grew quickly reaching up to 50,000 patient files. So did his family with two more daughters and his son. That would be me. Then in 1986 Robert had one last child – the AEQ. It joined the ECU and in the following years Robert was a big support for his friends Gary Auerbach and David Chapman-Smith in founding the World Federation of Chiropractic.

We his children owe him much. Three of us are doctors of chiropractic. The Spanish chiropractic family has grown to more than 230 members and every year chiropractors are graduating from our two extraordinary colleges, the Barcelona College of Chiropractic and the Madrid Chiropractic College. None of this would have been possible at this time without Robert. Robert was more Spanish than any of his Spanish-born children but his final adventure was in Leon, Mexico where he opened his last practice in 2013, where he delivered his last adjustments, where he passed away at peace while sleeping on May 18, 2014.

He was a Belgian that found his true love in the United States, lived in Spain and died in Mexico. Robert was, above all, the most passionate chiropractor I have ever met. He was simply Dr. Gevers. He established expectations it has always been hard for me to meet. It will be even harder now without him.

Carlos Gevers-Montoro DC
Proud President, AEQ
World Spine Day – October 16

To mark World Spine Day the Chiropractic Doctors’ Association of Hong Kong will have over 1,000 students doing Straighten Up exercises at Discovery Park in Hong Kong, with fundraising proceeds going to the Children’s Charity Foundation.

What are you and your association going to do?

World Spine Day is a project of the Bone and Joint Decade (BJD), at the request of which the WFC and its Public Health Committee have funded and developed the website www.worldspineday.org. Go there for ideas and resources.

Once more this year the WFC is offering prizes to associations, educational institutions, and individuals who plan and report best community activities to celebrate the day. See page 18 for details.

Athens WFC Congress/ECU Convention – May 11-16, 2015

The Athens Congress, which will be my 13th Congress and my final one as WFC Secretary-General, is titled The Alpha and Omega of Spinal Healthcare and has an exceptional conference and social program. It has an equally exceptional venue – at the Hilton Athens Hotel from which you look out at the Acropolis.

Have you registered and made your travel plans yet? Many have already, and all information is at www.wfc.org/congress2015.

WFC Assembly of Members – May 11-12. This, the WFC’s biennial business meeting, is for member associations but all chiropractors are welcome as observers. The first day features five minute country reports from chiropractors throughout the world – always of much interest. Highlights of the second day include:

- A 90 minute forum on Contemporary Use of Language by the Chiropractic Profession – do chiropractors adjust or manipulate, or does this depend upon who you are talking to?
- The keynote John A. Sweeney Lecture, to be delivered this time by Dr Vivian Kil, President, Netherlands Chiropractors’ Association, an emerging young leader giving a perspective from the new generation of chiropractors in Europe.

WFC Congress/ECU Convention – May 12-16. Features of this joint meeting, the first WFC/ECU joint meeting since 2007 in Portugal, include:

- Heavily discounted pre-congress one-day and two-day technique seminars from leading experts such as Activator Methods (Arlan Fuhr), DNS (Craig Morris and Inger Villadsen), Extremities (Mark Charrette), Functional Neurology (Ted Carrick and Brandon Brock), McKenzie Methods (Gary Jacob), OTZ (Francis Murphy), Pediatrics (Joyce Miller) and Radiology (Lindsay Rowe).
- A three-day main conference program May 14-16 with a large multidisciplinary faculty, lectures, panels and workshops, and the usual problem experienced at WFC Congresses – wanting to hear more of the concurrent afternoon sessions than you can get to.
- A rich social program – the Wednesday Welcome Reception, the opening show with Greek music and dance on Thursday morning, the Greek Night that evening and the Gala Awards Banquet and Dance on Saturday evening.
- Platform and Poster presentation of the profession’s best new original research – there were 214 entries when the deadline for submissions closed on September 25.

FICS Assembly and Symposium – May 13. On Wednesday, May 13 you can choose to go to the FICS Assembly and sports chiropractic Symposium to hear internationally renowned lecturers such as Dr Ed Feinberg of Palmer West, presenting a lecture and workshop on Chiropractic Management of Shoulder Instability and Dislocation.

Associations’ CEOs Meeting. Many larger national chiropractic associations now have professional CEOs/Executive Directors, many others still have volunteer chiropractic leaders serving in these positions. All are invited to a half-day meeting being held on the afternoon of Thursday, May 14. This is included in the special registration rate for CEOs for the Congress. Special thanks to Alison Dantas, CEO, Canadian Chiropractic Association and Jakob Bjerre, CEO, Danish Chiropractors’ Association for organizing and chairing this meeting.

Meetings of Regional Chiropractic Organizations. Exact times have yet to be confirmed, but each of the following regional associations will be holding their annual membership meetings at the Congress – African Chiropractic Federation (Contact: Dr Carol Mwendwa, drmwendwa@gmail.com), the Asia Pacific Chiropractic Doctors’ Federation (Contact: Dr Janet Ruth Sosna, dr.sosna@gmail.com), the Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East Chiropractic Federation (Contact: Stathis Papadopoulos, epeco@spidernet.com.cy), and the Latin American Chiropractic Federation (Contact: Sira Borges, siraborges@hotmail.com).
What could be more enjoyable than being with chiropractic colleagues from 40-50 countries worldwide on a springtime visit to Athens, Greece on the occasion of a major international conference? Please join us for this, with a few day’s siteseings to follow.

Administrative and Policy Positions for Chiropractors – news from Dr Eleanor White

One hallmark of this era, bringing greater range and strength to the profession, is the important move of chiropractors into significant administrative and policy positions in national and global health care.

Speaking on this at the Miami Education Conference at the end of October are Dr Christine Goertz, Vice-Chancellor for Policy and Research at Palmer College, who formerly worked at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and currently sits on PCORI, the federal advisory committee on health policy reform in the USA, and Dr Bob Mootz, long-term Medical Director for Chiropractic at the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries.

The WFC is supporting this move into policy positions through its development of the WHO WFC Fellowship Program, under which the third annual fellow, American chiropractor Dr Nicole Homb, has recently started 12 months at WHO Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland.

During the last month the WFC office heard from Dr Eleanor White, consultant to the WFC during 2004-5 and subsequently President of the Canadian Chiropractic Association (CCA). What are some of the things that Dr White is involved in at present? In her own words:

*When I was first involved with the WFC in 2004 I was told that once the international bug bit me it would be a life-long condition and this has proved correct. Academic programs in global health are starting to grow, both in Canada and abroad, both residential and online. I am currently studying a general global health course at York University in Toronto, and I signed up for an online course from Edinburgh in the winter.*

The perspectives are fascinating. Given the initiatives fostered through WFC around the world, this course of study could be of great interest to practitioners or to the profession on a more organized basis through our educational institutional linkages.

Through the CCA I was fortunate, with a few others, to serve the public on a federal appeals tribunal, largely reviewing issues concerning Canada Pension Plan disability benefits. Prior to this, the chiropractic profession, although formally listed as included for candidates for the position of Medical Member on a federal appeals tribunal, had not been represented.

I am continuing to serve, but now on provincial tribunals, again being able to apply the experiences afforded in part by my chiropractic education and clinical experience, and coming into contact with many people in the healthcare and judicial worlds who had little or no experience of working with a doctor of chiropractic. There are so many opportunities wherein chiropractors can make additional contributions to the health and wellbeing of others.
Here is an extract from Dr Santiago’s report in the September 2014 FICS News. For the full FICS News go to www.fics-sport.org.

New FICS Executive Officers

On behalf of all FICS members, congratulations to the following FICS Executive Officers newly elected for a four-year term from October:

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YOUR HELP PLEASE – Do you know a potential advisor? The Foundation’s Board of Advisors will be comprised of up to 20 internationally prominent athletes and other individuals who have benefited from chiropractic care and are willing to lend their names to the Foundation and its above vision.

They only have two obligations – to authorize use of their name, photo and short bio as a member of the Board of Advisors to the Foundation; and to be willing to appear at one fundraising event in the future at a time and place convenient to and approved by them.

Do you have a current or former patient who is suitable and likely willing to be an Advisor? If so, please send the name to me at the FICS Foundation via Christina Davis at cdavis@fics-sport.org, including your email and telephone contact information. The FICS Foundation will then reply with documentation you can give to your patient when making a formal request.

FICS Foundation – Launch Event Postponed

In her President’s Message in March Dr Sheila Wilson announced the plan to form a new FICS Foundation to encourage philanthropic donations to support sport chiropractic education, research and volunteer services at national and international games.

There was to be a major launch event in March 2015 at Fenway Park in Boston. To allow adequate preparation time that event is now being postponed to either November 2015 or March 2016.

In the meantime much good work is being done by the Board of Directors. A fundraising strategic plan and case statements for potential donors and for those being asked to sit on the Board of Advisors have been approved. A Board of Advisors is to be established during the months ahead. Here is the FICS Foundation’s vision statement:

The vision of the Foundation is that it will have such a substantial impact on the development of the specialty of sports chiropractic, through the funding and support of education, research and voluntary service at major games, that within 10 years all athletes performing at major national and international events will have access to and use sports chiropractic care as an integral part of the sports medicine services offered at the event, thereby improving athletes’ choice of care and global sports performance.

Alex Steinbrenner Reports In

It was good to hear from former First Vice-President Dr Alex Steinbrenner of Germany in August. He had just returned from Training Camp with Wolfsburg, the Bundesliga professional football team for which he is team chiropractor.

He reported that Wolfsburg has two German national team players and six others who played for their respective countries in the World Cup in Brazil. Here is Alex with two of them.
Athens Assembly and Symposium - May 13, 2015

One important activity over the northern summer was preparation for next year’s FICS Assembly and Symposium at the Hilton Hotel in Athens, Greece on Wednesday, May 13, 2015. The theme is the *Alpha and Omega of Sports Chiropractic Services*.

See the draft program in this FICS News, and also [www.fics-sport.org](http://www.fics-sport.org) together with all information and the registration form. Most grateful thanks to:

- **Logan University**, main sponsor for the Assembly and Symposium.
- **Life University**, sponsor of the original research prizes.
- **Palmer College**, sponsoring the lecture and workshops being presented by **Dr Ed Feinberg** on Management of Shoulder Instability and Dislocation.
- **Foot Levelers**, sponsor of **Dr Jon Mulholland**'s lecture and workshop on From the Ground Up: Assessing and Treating Ankle and Foot Injuries.
- **Dr Stephen Perle**, Chair, FICS Research Commission for his excellent work in preparation and administration of the original research component of the Symposium.

SCU Offers Olympian Scholarships – Signs Agreement with ATLANTA 1996 and FICS

Southern California University Health Sciences (SCU) has recently signed an agreement with the ATLANTA 1996 and FICS to provide two full academic scholarships ($160,000 each) to two international Olympians selected by the ATLANTA 1996 to pursue studies leading to a doctorate in chiropractic (DC) medicine.

To assist in resolving this issue it is very important to have a good number of strong applications from well-qualified Brazilian and international sports chiropractors. This will help the local organizers understand the necessary educational qualifications, games event experience and professional profile to deliver chiropractic services.

So, please consider applying now. Rio is one of the most beautiful cities in the world and this will be an unforgettable experience. Professionally, after the successful inclusion of chiropractic services in the host medical services at the Vancouver (2010) and London (2012) Games, this will continue to establish chiropractic as a necessary part of the health services available to athletes.

Please note:

- When asked “professional experience/what’s your profession or academic area of study” in the application form (stage 3), you should select **other**.
- When asked “health professionals/degree” (stage 4) you should select **other**, and for “specialty” select **chiropractic**.
- IMPORTANT – when asked for “Rio 2016 partner code” (stage 4) you should type/enter **MED10104**.
- Do not be upset or overreact to the inappropriate way that the online form currently confuses/mixes the identities of chiropractic and has the name ‘chiropractics’. This is the issue we are resolving.
- Please decide to apply now. Encourage sports chiropractic colleagues to join you. As mentioned, deadline is **November 15**.
- IMPORTANT – when you have filed your application please send an email to FICS Executive Secretary Christina Davis at cdavis@fics-sport.org confirming that you have applied and the date of your application. This means that FICS and the profession will have a record of the number of applications filed.

Thank you for your support – I hope to see you in Rio.

Marcelo Botelho DC, MD, ICCSP

*FICS Latin America Representative and First Vice-President*
Australia

**ACORN Project**

To promote research the Chiropractors’ Association of Australia (CAA) has worked with the University of Technology Sydney (UTS), and is providing substantial ongoing funding, to establish a new Australian Chiropractic Research Network (ACORN).

The ACORN Project, which will be led by researchers at UTS’s Australian Research Centre in Complementary and Integrative Medicine (ARCCIM), will have a new, national, practice-based research network as a centerpiece and, its website announces, “will provide the first national, longitudinal practice-based study of chiropractic worldwide.”

Professor Jon Adams, Professor of Public Health and Director of ARCCIM, explains ‘this is a major advance in building a critical, scientifically rigorous assessment of this popular area of Australian health care. While there is much emotive debate around chiropractic in Australia, this research will help advance scientific research engagement and assessment on this topic. This project will not only introduce an independent, empirical evidence-based approach to chiropractic but will also constitute an internationally innovative study design examining patient experiences and health outcomes of chiropractic care on a national scale.”


**CAA’s New CEO – Matthew Fisher PhD**

The CAA has recently appointed a new CEO, Dr Matthew Fisher. Introducing himself to the membership in the September issue of the CAA’s news magazine The Australian Chiropractor Dr Fisher writes:

*My PhD was gained at Deakin University with a thesis investigating nutrition, activity and social impacts in society. More recently, I was awarded a Doctor of Health Studies (honoris causa) by Charles Sturt University for my role in supporting the establishment of a school of dentistry.*

For the past 13 years I was CEO of the Australian Dental Association (NSW Branch) Ltd where I assisted the development of the organizational capability and capacity to engage with members and advocate on behalf of the community. The focus was on creating a strong, sustainable platform for the future which included restructuring the Branch to improve the professionalism of the organization. Another focus was the improvement in the financial position including growth in assets and capability.

A key achievement was the development of a world class education facility with an increasing multi-media footprint providing services without geographical boundaries and relevant to the profession, and importantly, strengthening the community footprint.

I have worked in the private and public health systems and in the tertiary education sector, so I hope that my breadth of experience will assist the chiropractic profession and the CAA in the future.

Bahrain

The annual meeting of the Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East Chiropractic Federation (EMMECF) will be held in Bahrain on December 5-6 to coincide with the first Challenge Bahrain Triathlon, at which Dr Amy Bowzaylo of Bahrain will be one of those providing chiropractic services.

Challenge Bahrain, announced in May, will have the largest prize purse worldwide for any triathlon at US$500,000. This is to ensure the fullest and most professional participation at this new annual event, to be contested over a 1.9km swimming, 90km cycling and 21km running distance.

Cayman Islands

In June Dr Jemal Khan of the Cayman Chiropractic and Medical Clinic, George Town, Grand Cayman became the first chiropractor appointed to the Health Practice Commission. This is the government appointed body that provides registration and sets standards for all regulated health care practitioners in the Cayman Islands. He will serve a 2-year term.

Dr Khan, a 1996 graduate of the Western States Chiropractic College (now University of Western States) has practiced in the Cayman Islands for the past 12 years. The practice of chiropractic is fully regulated. There are currently 7 chiropractors in practice on this island group in the Western Caribbean, which is perhaps most famous as headquarters for many corporations worldwide seeking to benefit from its favorable taxation status.

France

**IFEC – 30 Years of Growth**

The Institut Franco-Européen de Chiropraxie (IFEC), France’s one chiropractic educational institution with campuses in Paris and Toulouse, holds its thirtieth year graduation in Paris on Saturday, November 22.

With strong existing links to the world-renowned Université Paris Sud as well as the chiropractic programmes at Université du Québec at Trois Rivières, Perth’s Murdoch University and the University of Zürich, IFEC is constantly strengthening its academic and research capacities at its campuses in Paris and Toulouse.

IFEC has recently announced exciting developments in its collaborative, educational and research work. In a ground-breaking
partnership agreement IFEC has joined up with the Program for Interdisciplinary Research in Sports Science and Human Movement (PRISSMH) at the University of Toulouse III (Paul Sabatier). PRISSMH is attached to the Life Sciences department at the university and has developed an innovative collaboration, comprising a behavioural approach, incorporating biomechanics, experimental psychology and neuroscience, and a social science approach, which includes political sociology and relationships between body, mind, health and cultural factors.

Head of IFEC, Dr Olivier Lanlo, is positive about the new collaboration. “The long term plan here is to expose our students to a wide range of factors associated with sport and human performance. In particular, we want to show them how knowledge of the various philosophies of health can be combined with research and the current evidence base.”

In other developments, IFEC has announced a new research initiative working with a team of sociologists to build on the PhD thesis of Dr Pierre Louis Gaucher-Peslherbe, a French chiropractor who studied the sociological history of chiropractic.

Dr Lanlo stresses the importance of putting an end to what he sees as an artificial split between so-called scientific chiropractors and philosophical chiropractors. “By marrying pure science with the history, traditions and philosophy of chiropractic we are confident that we will succeed in better integrating chiropractic into the health system.”

Source: ECU’s BACKspace

Japan

In Japan, where the practice of chiropractic remains unregulated and 700 duly qualified chiropractors are faced with over 10,000 other practitioners claiming to be chiropractors, the Japanese Association of Chiropractors (JAC) continues to lead the way to future regulation of the profession.

One initiative, in partnership with the International Board of Chiropractic Examiners (IBCE), has been to establish an online Japanese Chiropractic Register identifying qualified chiropractors. This is open to chiropractors with 2 levels of education as recognized in the WHO Guidelines on Basic Training and Safety in Chiropractic (2005):

- Those with Limited Education – the bachelor’s degree level approved on a temporary basis as the profession becomes established – provided that these practitioners have completed and passed an IBCE clinical examination at a similar level to the NBCE Part IV examination.

JAC President Dr Kei Takeyachi reports that as a next step, the JAC has this year commenced a new Chiropractic Safety Training Program. This is being provided in partnership with the Tokyo Chiropractic College, Japan’s one accredited chiropractic educational institution. Students are locally trained practitioners who will be brought up to WHO’s Limited Education standards.

This new program is a 3-year part time course of 2,500 hours which includes 1,000 hours of clinical practicum. Graduates will be eligible to take the IBCE test and, on passing that, will be eligible to join the Japanese Chiropractic Register (JCR). One reason for the new Safety Training Program is recent public attention in Japan to accidents caused by unqualified manual therapists, some of them calling themselves chiropractors. In the past year accidents were reported by the National Consumer Affairs Center of Japan (NCAC) and in February a Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare (MHLW) ordered all regional consumer centers to look for and report such accidents.

“Good developments from this,” says Dr Takeyachi, “are that the public and the government are becoming more aware of the need for educational standards and the leadership being provided by the JAC. Now the Employment Security Bureau of the MHLW refers to the WHO Guidelines and the JAC at its website and recommends the WHO-standard Full Education program.”

At the request of the JAC the WFC has written to the authorities in Japan supporting the JAC’s new Safety Training Program. Congratulations are due to Dr Takeyachi and the JAC for their disciplined and far-reaching efforts to bring appropriate standards to chiropractic education and practice in Japan.

It is anticipated that there will be at least 1,000 chiropractors on the Register within 5 years and that this is the process that will lead to full government regulation of the profession after that.
Switzerland

Chiropractic Program Accredited

Professor B. Kim Humphreys, Head of the Chiropractic Program at the University of Zürich announced in July that the university’s 6-year Master in Chiropractic Medicine degree (M Chiro Med) had been officially accredited by the Swiss University Conference (SUK) and the Swiss Accreditation Council (CSA) from July 3, 2014. The accreditation is for a period of 7 years.

With the inclusion of chiropractic as one of the 5 professions of medicine in the Medical Law of 2007 (chiropractic medicine, dental medicine, human medicine, veterinary medicine and pharmacy), it was necessary for the profession to have an accredited university education within a medical faculty in Switzerland.

In September 2008, the first cohort of students began the 6-year program at the University of Zürich. After graduation, students must pass a federal examination and then enter a 2-year postgraduate program. The postgraduate program was accredited by the Swiss government in 2011 under the same procedures and conditions as all other medical specialties (i.e. residency programs). Graduates are eligible for the Doctor of Chiropractic Medicine (D Chiro Med) degree upon completion of an additional research thesis submitted at least 1 year after completion of the 6 year M Chiro Med program.

Professor Humphreys concluded ‘the future of chiropractic in Switzerland is bright as we are where we should be, working together, shoulder to shoulder, as a respected member of the healthcare team for the benefit of patients.’

Source: July 16 news release, University of Zurich, Chiropractic Medicine Program. For an excellent 12 minute video featuring students and faculty go to http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aga8q1GjetM.

Portugal

In celebration of its 15th Anniversary the Portuguese Chiropractic Association (APQ) is hosting The Art of the Close, a seminar by Dr Brad Glowaki in Lisbon on the weekend of November 22-23, 2014.

This is the only occasion in which Dr Glowaki from the USA, will be presenting his seminar in Europe. He is donating all proceeds to the APQ. Early bird rates end October 10. For more information and registrations go to:

www.eventbrite.pt/e/apq-tickets-12240015215

Spain

News from the Colleges

The Barcelona College of Chiropractic (BCC) and Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF) graduated their first cohort of chiropractors on July 5, 2014 after the class of 20 students satisfactorily completed the five-year full-time (310 ECTS) programme of study.

The graduation ceremony took place on the campus of the UPF and was attended by more than 350 family members, friends and officials. The commencement speech was delivered by Dr Gerard Clum, the immediate past president of Life College of Chiropractic West and a former president of the World Federation of Chiropractic.

The graduating class was also addressed by the principal of the BCC, Dr Adrian Wenban, the chair of the BCC Board of Governors, Dr Jake Smith, the president of the Asociación Española de Quiropráctica, Dr Carlos Gevers and the president of the European Chiropractors’ Union, Dr Øystein Ogre. Graduates of the programme receive a Titulo Superior en Quiropráctica from the BCC and a Master en Quiropráctica from the UPF.

The Valedictorian was Cristina Elena Egea. Separate awards for philosophy, art and science were received by Gerard Rovira, Christian Jaesch and Richelle Gardner respectively. The BCC currently holds candidate status with the European Council on Chiropractic Education (ECCE) and is now in the process of applying for full accredited status.

Spain’s other chiropractic college, the Madrid College of Chiropractic (formerly RCU), received accreditation from ECCE in December 2012 and graduated its first class of 16 students in June 2013.

Program Director, Dr Ricardo Fujikawa reports that MCC has established a new research department at its campus at the Maria Cristina University in El Escorial. Under the directorship of Dr Arantxa Ortega de Mues, the first projects have commenced in collaboration with the Jimenez Diaz Hospital Foundation and the University San Pablo CEU. Collection of data has been undertaken and Dr Ortega and her team are now proceeding to the next phase of the project.

Source: ECU’s BACKspace
Taiwan

The battle for recognition of chiropractic in Taiwan continues. Through your support of the WFC you are supporting your brave colleagues in the Taiwan Chiropractic Doctors’ Society (TCDS), who live in one of the few countries where the practice of chiropractic is illegal and there is real ongoing risk of prosecution.

Because of pressure from the TCDS and patients the Taiwan government was once again considering whether or not to recognize and regulate chiropractic practice earlier this year. At the request of the TCDS the WFC wrote a strong letter of support to the President and the Minister of Health and Welfare in April.

In July the Minister, Dr Wen Ta Chiu, replied to the WFC saying that chiropractic could only be regulated as a separate “medical profession”, like Taiwan’s 14 other medical professions, if there was an educational program in a university in Taiwan. He also claimed, however, that the chiropractic fields of “nerve and spine” and “spinal manipulation/adjustments” were already fully covered in the medical and physiotherapy curricula and fields of practice.

Next, on July 22, the Minister held a meeting with a TCDS delegation led by Past President and Legislative Campaign Leader Dr Albert Lee at which he offered that duly qualified doctors of chiropractic could sit the physical therapy licensing examinations and be licensed as PTs. Dr Lee and the TCDS, notwithstanding the huge pressures they face in maintaining their practices, outrightly refused the offer.

Ukraine

Chiropractic was introduced in Central Ukraine in the early 1990s by visiting Christian chiropractors. Andriy Yevtushenko and his sister Valentyna were invited to work with them on mission trips as interpreters and assistants.

Inspired by life-changing results he had seen in patients, Andriy enrolled at the Anglo-European College of Chiropractic in 2004 with sponsorship support from Christian chiropractors. In 2009 he returned to Ukraine opening his chiropractic clinic in Cherkassy in Central Ukraine.

Valentyna, who received an AECC scholarship in 2008, joined him in 2013 and presently their clinic has two chiropractors and a massage therapist.

In 2001 an American chiropractor Dr Randall Roffe came to practice in Kiev, the capital of Ukraine, and he served as the first President of the Ukraine Chiropractic Association (UCA) until his return to the United States late last year. Dr Roffe did much to build awareness of the chiropractic profession through his energy and efforts, and I worked with him towards further development of the UCA from the time that I first met him in 2007. I was voted UCA President last year prior to his departure.

Currently there are three fulltime practicing chiropractors in Ukraine, a country with a population of 45 million people. Chiropractic has become more and more popular but obviously there is much room for growth and there are many patients to serve. Chiropractic is not officially recognized by the Ukraine Ministry of Health. The UCA, along with help from the WFC and WHO, is working towards reaching that next milestone.

Many thanks are due to all the Christian chiropractors who did the early mission trips and to the sponsors and teachers who contributed to the education of the first Ukrainian chiropractors. It is them who established long-term chiropractic care for the Ukrainian people.

United Kingdom

A Superstar Endorsement

Andrew Lloyd Webber is arguably the most successful composer of our time. He is best known for stage and film adaptations of his musicals Jesus Christ Superstar (1973), Cats (1994), Evita (1996), and The Phantom of the Opera (2004).

This year the UK government has been debating legislation over assisted dying. In an interview with the UK newspaper the Daily Telegraph published on July 18 Lord Lloyd Webber confessed that he had thought of ending his life with assisted suicide after “dealing with the painful consequences of repeated medical procedures following a back operation.”

He went through “a moment of deep depression” and got the forms for assisted suicide through Dignitas. But, as the Daily Telegraph reports, “he threw the forms away and found relief through a chiropractor.”

Source: The Daily Telegraph.
BCA’s Sue Wakefield Retires

Sue Wakefield, who retired as Executive Director of the British Chiropractors’ Association after 20 years on September 30, was honored for her outstanding service at both the ECU Convention in Dublin in May and the BCA Autumn Conference in Brighton this month. BCA President Dr Matthew Bennett described her enormous contribution and said that “Sue Wakefield oversaw what can only be described as the professionalization of the Association.”

Sue came to the BCA in 1994 with more than 20 years experience working in the NHS (National Health Service). She worked as a General Manager at the Middlesex Hospital in London and facilitated its merger with University College Hospital to form the UCL Hospital Trust, one of the most prestigious undergraduate teaching hospitals in the UK. It is this administrative ability and experience that she brought to her years at the BCA.

USA

SACA Student Leadership Conference

The 11th annual Student Leadership Conference of the Student American Chiropractic Association (SACA) was held September 26-28 at the corporate headquarters of Foot Levelers in Roanoke, Virginia. Hosts were Kent Greenawalt, CEO and Chairman, Dwayne Bennett, President and Mark Zeigler DC, Vice-President of Education, Foot Levelers.

Ninety-six student leaders representing 15 campuses attended the three day leadership training conference which included interactive sessions and 14 speakers. The keynote address on Leadership Tools from the Experts was by Paul and Barbara Gustavson from the John Maxwell Group, but many speakers were mentors from the profession - older and younger doctors of chiropractic explaining their paths to successful practices in various clinical settings, or their other leadership roles in the profession.

The annual student leadership conference was begun by past WFC Presidents Dr Louis Sportelli and Dr Mike Flynn to focus on advancing personal and professional leadership skills.

Former Logan President Dies - Dr. George Goodman

Logan University’s sixth and longest-serving president Dr George Goodman, who retired last year, passed away on Sept. 9. He was 70 years old. A 1968 graduate, Dr. Goodman’s career at Logan spanned 45 years and included teaching and the development of the University’s postgraduate department. After spending 10 years as Vice-President of Chiropractic Affairs, Dr. Goodman assumed the role of University President.

Under his leadership, Logan reached debt-free status and enrollment exceeded the 1,000 mark for the first time in Logan’s history. Evidence of Dr. Goodman’s vision and leadership abounds on the Logan campus with the William M. Harris DC Sports and Wellness Center, the renovated Learning Resources Center, William D. Purser DC Center, Standard Process Student Center and a new educational wing.

“The passing of Dr. Goodman is a huge loss to Logan and the chiropractic profession,” said current Logan University President Clay McDonald, DC, MBA, JD. “We send our condolences, prayers and gratitude for his contributions to his family.”
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**World Spine Day Competition in October**

**OCTOBER 16**

**WORLD SPINE DAY**

World Spine Day will be celebrated on 16 October 2014, and October is Chiropractic Month in the USA and elsewhere. WSD is now endorsed by the WFC, is part of the Bone & Joint Decade activities, and is fun too!

The WFC Public Health Committee is urging institutional and individual participation at the community level throughout the world in this annual competition. The WFC WSD Competition was promoted in a mid-September press release.

World Spine Day raises awareness and draws public attention to spinal problems. Spinal disorders, such as back pain, neck pain, scoliosis, and disc disease are common but they can have a profound effect on your overall health, impacting your ability to work and to enjoy everyday activities and even disrupting healthy sleep patterns. The good news is that many of these problems can be easily avoided.

The theme Straighten Up and Move pioneered by Dr Ron Kirk emphasizes the importance of healthy spinal posture and activity which promotes body awareness and minimizes the day-to-day wear and tear on a person’s spine. The intent of WSD is to bring people from all walks of life – patients, health providers, health care organizations, associations, and governments to help ease this global burden.

This year we have revised the competition rules and will consider submissions in three categories: professional associations, college/university chiropractic programs, private practice/clinic. Cash prizes this year will go to the best:

- 2 professional associations -- US$500.00 each
- 2 chiropractic college/university programs – US$500.00 each
- Private practice/clinic – US$250.00

The competition is open to any individuals and organizations in the chiropractic profession – including societies, associations, educational institutions, clinics, doctors offices, student groups, etc. Send in your reports by **November 15, 2014** at the latest. Winners will be featured in the December 2014 issue of the WFC’s Quarterly World Report so remember to include photos. Submit your reports of WSD activities to WFC Administrative Assistant **Sarah Villarba** at svillarba@wfc.org.

The three competition judges will be Dr Rand Baird, Dr Ron Kirk, and our newest judge Dr Siobhan Guiry, President, Chiropractors’ Association of Ireland.

A separate new aspect is the “selfies of the spine” project under the auspices of Dr Jennifer Nash and Dr Deborah Kopansky-Giles. To raise awareness on World Spine Day and in accordance with the Straighten Up and Move theme, they are asking people to take a photo of their spine and share via social media using #worldspineday, #spineselfie. Photos should be tasteful, creative and help to raise awareness for healthy spine habits. Photos can be shared on the World Spine Day Facebook, Twitter (@World_spine_day) page or via email at info@worldspineday.org. This was announced in mid-August.

Your WFC Public Health Committee welcomes your support and participation.
The WFC Associate Member Committee is composed of chair Dr Rand Baird and members Dr Greg Stewart, Dr Michael Flynn, Dr Dennis Richards, and Dr Guy Karcher with Mr David Chapman-Smith ex-officio.

Florida Chiropractic Association National Convention August 21-24, 2014 at the Hyatt Regency Resort in Orlando

The FCA Convention in August is the biggest chiropractic state association convention in the USA. In 2014 there were 2,331 registrations and 401 exhibits featuring 256 companies. The Peabody Hotel is now called the Hyatt Regency Resort and everyone enjoyed the beautiful facilities---even without the famous Peabody ducks!

A top-notch academic relicensing program including many outstanding speakers and some great social events and business meetings highlighted the conference. Ms. Debbie Brown, CEO of the FCA, coordinated the event and supports the work of the WFC by arranging our registrations. Many of the leaders of the chiropractic profession, including several of the chiropractic college presidents, were in attendance this year; there were many retirees and new appointees among them. Standard Process hosted a magnificent buffet on the opening night.

The WFC was represented as FCA guests in 2014 by Past-President Dr. Michael Flynn of Louisiana and his wife Darlene, Associate Member Committee Chair Dr. Rand Baird of Chicago, Illinois, and WFC Committee Member Dr. Guy Karcher from Sylva, North Carolina. Dr. Louis Sportelli, former WFC President was also in attendance.

Thirty of the exhibitors at FCA were proudly displaying their WFC Corporate Associate Member placards in their booths. The team of Drs Baird & Karcher visited all of them and their photos are being placed on the WFC website. Copies of all photos have already been sent to the vendors and many expressed appreciation.

The FCA National Convention, along with the Parker Seminar in Las Vegas, Nevada in January, remain as two “must-do” meetings for the Associate Member Committee of the WFC.

The WFC team at FCA: Dr. Guy Karcher, Dr. Rand Baird, Ms. Debbie Brown, Dr Mike Flynn

We’ll be at the Parker Seminar in Las Vegas in January!

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