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Dr Greg Stewart, WFC President

It happens so often in life that just when the party’s really getting going it’s time to say goodbye. With the two years of my WFC presidency having raced by since I was inaugurated in Puerto Rico back in 2014, my time at the helm is not yet over but May will see a new WFC President in post.

The end of a term of office is a time for reflection and as I look forward to handing over the reins to my successor in Dubai next month, I can look back with satisfaction on what has been an immensely satisfying period in my professional life.

One of my first duties as President was to oversee the transition to a new Secretary-General. With David Chapman-Smith having served the WFC since its inception in 1988, finding someone to replace him was a monumental task. In Dr Richard Brown we were, however, able to find someone who truly understands the profession, was prepared to sacrifice a busy clinic and relocate from the UK to Toronto and was capable of embracing the critical challenges of WFC Secretary-General. I have greatly enjoyed working with Richard over the past year and will continue to do so as Immediate Past President.

Earlier this year we announced the new WFC Council. Council elections take place every three years and this time around we saw the emergence of a completely fresh look. With a fresh focus on equality and diversity, I was delighted to see the highest ever proportion of female doctors of chiropractic on the WFC Council with the most diverse range of ages and backgrounds seen in many years. This will bring a new energy to the WFC and will ensure that the Council reflects the diversity of the profession that it serves.

Our Research Council has been represented at a number of events since the last issue of the QWR. Chair Professor Greg Kawchuk was awarded the Researcher of the Year award by the American Chiropractic Association and delivered the McAndrews Lecture to a rapturous standing ovation. As the founder of the WFC’s Suggested Reading List, Professor Kawchuk’s contribution to the WFC is invaluable. Meanwhile, Research Council Vice-Chair Dr Christine Goertz has been working on a new primary spine care expert model which will better position chiropractors as valued experts for the benefit of the patients we serve.

Another exciting area of work has been the WFC’s increasing involvement with the World Health Organization. Being a non-governmental organisation in official relations provides great opportunities for

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Reflecting on a rewarding experience (continued)

to advocate for the profession’s involvement in public health in general and musculoskeletal conditions in particular. Next month, the WFC will be sending a delegation to the World Health Assembly in Geneva, where we will be talking to key personnel about the benefits of chiropractic.

These activities are just a snapshot of what the WFC is doing for the chiropractic profession. I’m extremely proud to have been its President and thank you all for the encouragement that you have given to my Council, my Executive and me during these past two years. I’m truly grateful to the colleagues I’ve served with and the talented personnel at the WFC headquarters whose administrative skills hold everything together. It’s been a wonderful journey and I shall treasure my experience as your President.

Gregory B. Stewart
President, WFC

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New look branding for WFC

The WFC has undertaken a rebranding exercise that has resulted in a modest facelift for its logo.

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Commenting on the new logo, WFC Secretary-General Richard Brown said: “We were looking for evolution not revolution and feel that this hits the right note. It retains the distinctive ‘globe’ but has slightly revised the colour scheme and font to give it a contemporary feel.”

For WFC Constituent members or corporate partners wishing to use the new WFC logo on their website, please contact the WFC office for the appropriate format.

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The first quarter of the year has been busy for the WFC, with administration of elections resulting in a new-look WFC Council. Further to the introduction of the WFC’s Equality and Diversity policy, it has been exciting to see a Council with an unprecedented female contingent as well as diversity of age, college of graduation and general outlook on the profession. We shall all meet for the first time in May in Dubai and are looking forward to sharing ideas and developing strategies to advance the profession.

The WFC Executive of Drs Greg Stewart, Espen Johannessen, Carlos Ayres, Rick McMichael and Dennis Richards meet by teleconference every month and discuss activities involving the WFC and issues involving its members. There is never a dull moment in the profession, so whether it is members that are experiencing difficulties or political issues involving legislative challenges, there is always much on the agenda.

I have attended a number of events in the United States in the first quarter of this year. For the first time I attended the Parker Experience (Las Vegas), NCLC (Washington) and ACC RAC (Orlando, Florida). I have visited the Lear Corporation in Smithfield, Michigan and the Laser Spine Institute in Tampa, Florida. I have also spoken twice at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College and will be speaking at Logan University later this month.

In February, with Professor Pierre Côté I visited the WHO Headquarters in Geneva and the Swiss Paraplegic Institute, where the WFC is supporting the development of a project involving the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health.

Plans are well advanced for the 2016 WFC ACC Education Conference in Montreal and the 2017 combined WFC Biennial Congress, ACC RAC and NCLC meetings, to be held at the Washington Hilton, Washington DC.

Additionally, the WFC will be holding a ‘Triple Impact’ seminar in London, England, August 6-7, where we shall be holding a weekend of biomechanics, diagnostic imaging and functional neurology education.

With primary objectives of supporting, empowering, promoting and uniting the chiropractic profession, the WFC is constantly looking to advocate for the profession and position chiropractic as a key profession in the battle to improving health and wellbeing and combating disability and pain associated with spinal disorders. This involves making contact with key stakeholders, educators, research organization and its 88 member associations.

Each of these pillars is important, but disunity between various factions of the profession remains a key obstacle to progress. Divisions on the grounds of philosophy, practice style or general principles continue to abound, which can often stall progress towards government recognition. The WFC serves to bring groups together in a non-judgmental way so that differences can be discussed in an open forum.

We have a team of four in the WFC Headquarters in Toronto. I am very lucky to lead an excellent admin team of Christina Davis (Executive Secretary), Khalid Salim (Finance and Administration) and Sarah Villarba (Administrative Assistant) who provide great support and co-ordination of events.

The WFC welcomes support in all areas. We are truly grateful to our corporate partners without whose support the WFC would be unable to pursue its various activities. We are also thankful for those individual associate members of the WFC who give generously in support of the our objectives.
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WFC Sees Host of New Faces on Council

The WFC elects a new Council every three years. With elections having taken place at the end of 2015, February 1 saw the announcement of a new-look Council. The 2016-2019 WFC Council will meet for the first time in May in the city of Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Dr Greg Stewart will step down as President and elections for the Executive Officers will take place at the meeting.

Secretary-General Dr Richard Brown commented: “This Council sees a number of fresh faces and the WFC will be enriched by new perspectives and new ideas. We are extremely fortunate to bring together a collection of people who are outstanding leaders in their own right. Our 88 member associations can be assured of vision and sound decision-making in their Council.”

WFC Council representation is in accordance with the relative size of the country or region.

In North America, Canada, as the WFC’s largest association member, has two representatives, while the USA (combining the ACA and ICA) has three representatives.

Europe and the Pacific regions both have two representatives on Council, while the African, Asian, Eastern Mediterranean and Latin American regions have one representative each.

The Executive officers (President, First and Second Vice-Presidents and Secretary-Treasurer) are elected from within the Council.

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AFRICA

Musimbi Ondeko

Musimbi Ondeko graduated in 1980 from Sherman College of Chiropractic. Upon graduation, she joined her three male colleagues as a pioneer on the chiropractic frontier in Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa. She worked at the public Kenyatta National Hospital (free health care) for three years and then started her own private practice where she is to date. She enjoys serving people from all over Kenya, other countries in the region and all over the world. She has introduced the profession to fellow Kenyans and her clinic has been a landing pad prior to branching out on their own. Currently she has one associate. A founder member of the Chiropractic Association of Kenya (CAK), she is at the forefront as CAK strives towards best results for Chiropractic Legislation and Education in Kenya. As Board Chair of International Leadership Foundation-Kenya and a member of several other Boards, she addresses her concerns about leadership. She has four adult children with her husband Dr. John Ondeko, a radiologist.
ASIA

Kei Takeyachi

Kei Takeyachi is a 2002 graduate of RMIT University in Melbourne, Australia. He is a third generation chiropractor and his family has seen seven chiropractors in total. He maintains a private practice in Tokyo that was established by his grandfather in 1949. After graduating from RMIT University, Kei returned to Japan in 2003 and joined the faculty at the Tokyo College of Chiropractic, formerly known as RMIT University Chiropractic Unit (Japan). Kei currently serves as President of the Japanese Association of Chiropractors (JAC). Other positions include Asia Pacific Representative to the Advisory Board of the International Board of Chiropractic Examiners (IBCE) and former Vice President, Asian Pacific Chiropractic Doctors Federation (APCDF). Kei has a keen interest in drawing and is well-known in Japan for his excellent cartoon illustrations.

EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN

Stathis Papadopoulos

Efstatios Papadopoulos known to all as Stathis, is a 1981 graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic who practices in Nicosia, Cyprus. He currently serves as President of the Cyprus Chiropractic Association and was instrumental in the initiative to register chiropractors in Cyprus in 1991. Stathis has represented the Eastern Mediterranean region on the Council of the World Federation of Chiropractic since 1992 and served as WFC President from 2008 - 2010. He served as 1st Vice-President of the European Chiropractors’ Union at the time of his retirement from the ECU Executive Council in May 2009.

He has served in many other leadership positions with chiropractic organizations, including the European Council on Chiropractic Education, the US National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) and the International Board of Chiropractic Examiners (IBCE). He was an architect and founding member of the European Academy of Chiropractic (EAC), an affiliate of the ECU dedicated to promotion of post-graduate chiropractic education and research in Europe.
EUROPE

Espen Johannessen

Espen Johannessen is a 1982 graduate of Palmer College in Davenport, Iowa. He has been in private practice in his own clinic in Lillestrøm outside Oslo, Norway since 1983.

Since 1986 until 1998 he has served as a board member of Norwegian Chiropractors’ Association, including a term of 4 years as NCA President. He was re-elected to an executive position in 2004 until 2006 From 1989 until 1992 he served as Treasurer for European Chiropractors' Union.

Dr Johannessen has participated in several governmental committees in Norway with respect to chiropractic services, including the development of Guidelines on Low Back Pain and the Board on Internships for Chiropractors. In 2015 he completed his MSc in musculoskeletal ultrasound.

Dr Johannessen was elected to the Council of the World Federation of Chiropractic as a representative of the European Region in 2006 and prior to that was a member of the WFC’s Task Force on Identity (2003-05). He currently serves as WFC First Vice-President.

Vivian Kil

Vivian Kil was born and raised in the Netherlands and graduated as a chiropractor from the Anglo-European College of Chiropractic in 2007. As a child she travelled extensively and as a consequence of this she is a talented linguist, mastering seven languages.

She served as a board member of the Netherlands Chiropractors’ Association (NCA) from 2008 until the present. Aged just 28, she was elected president of the NCA, serving with distinction from 2012 to 2015.

In May 2015, she was elected Vice-President of the European Chiropractors’ Union. Vivian works in private practice in the Netherlands close to the Belgian border where she lives with her husband, Tom.
LATIN AMERICA

Carlos Ayres

Carlos Ayres is a 1981 graduate of New York Chiropractic College who practiced in Long Island, New York for 20 years before moving to his home country (Peru) in December 2002.

Dr. Ayres returned to Peru with a mission - to bring chiropractic to as many people as possible. At present, Dr. Ayres owns, manages and runs 7 chiropractic offices in Peru.

He was elected president of the Peruvian Chiropractic Association in 2007 and re-elected for a second period in 2009. Dr. Ayres is also president of the Latin American Federation of Chiropractic (FLAQ) since 2007 and was re-elected in 2009.

Dr. Ayres currently serves as WFC Second Vice-President.

NORTH AMERICA (CANADA)

Deb Kopansky-Giles

Deborah Kopansky-Giles is a long-term serving member of the WFC Council. She is a chiropractor/clinician scientist on staff in the Department of Family and Community Medicine, St. Michael’s Hospital, Toronto, Canada, an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto and a Professor at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College, Department of Graduate Education and Research. Dr. Kopansky-Giles oversees the chiropractic program at St. Michael’s Hospital and is actively engaged in collaborative, primary care health service delivery research.

Deborah represents the chiropractic profession on the Global Alliance for Musculoskeletal Health (of the Bone and Joint Decade) International Coordinating Council as a member of the Executive Committee, and oversees the Global National Alliance Networks, co-Chairs the Education Task Force and sits on the World Network Meeting Conference Organizing Committee. Deborah is a past member of the WHO Disability and Rehabilitation Expert Advisory Committee, sits on the Ontario Ministry of Health’s Long Term Care Neck and Low Back Pain Quality Based Pathway Expert Working Group, co-Chairs the Collaborator Role Working Group for the College of Family Physicians of Canada and chairs the IPC Competency Working Group at the Hospital. Deborah has published numerous papers and presents nationally and internationally.
NORTH AMERICA - CANADA

Greg Stewart

Dr. Stewart received a Bachelor of Physical Education from the University of Manitoba (1982), graduated as a Doctor of Chiropractic (cum laude) from the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College in Toronto in 1986 and has had a full time private practice of chiropractic in Winnipeg, Manitoba ever since that time.

He has served as President of the Manitoba Chiropractors’ Association (1994 – 1997) and the Canadian Chiropractic Association (2002 – 2003) and has represented Canada and the North American region on the Council of the World Federation of Chiropractic since 2006. He currently serves as WFC President.

In Canada, Dr. Stewart has served on provincial and national committees since 1990 in many fields including the identity of the profession, government relations, ethics, communications, interprofessional collaboration, chiropractic legislation, third party and government service negotiations, clinical practice guidelines and research.

NORTH AMERICA (USA-ICA)

John Maltby

John Maltby graduated from Palmer College in 1977. He has been in private practice in Blythe, California, since 1978. Throughout his professional career Dr. Maltby has been active at the state and national levels involving legislation, education and licensure. He has also served in different leadership positions including two terms as the President of the International Chiropractors Association (2005-2009) and as Chairman of the Board (2009-2013).

He is currently the President of the Distinguished Fellows of the ICA. In his home state of California he has served as President of the ICA of California (ICAC) and is currently on their Board of Directors. Dr. Maltby is an experienced speaker and his lectures include topics on geriatrics, disc pathology, chiropractic ethics, and technique applications.

He also teaches a 12-hour seminar on “Documentation” pre-approved in most US States for license renewal credits. In 2003 he was named Educator of the Year by the ICAC and in 2007 as Chiropractor of the Year by the International Chiropractors Association. Dr. Maltby and his wife Debbie have a son, also a chiropractor, a daughter and several grandchildren.
Michele Maiers

Michele Maiers, DC, MPH, PhD is Executive Director of Research and Innovation at Northwestern Health Sciences University in Minnesota, USA. Her work centres around the use of research to inform clinical practice and shape healthcare policy. Michele’s research includes clinical trials that answer practical questions, including, Are chiropractic spinal manipulation and exercise safe and effective for older adults with spine disability? Is short term treatment or long term management better for chronic musculoskeletal conditions? Which aspects of care matter most to patients? Her policy work translates that knowledge to shape patient care, policy guidelines, access and reimbursement. Michele is active in professional associations, serving as Vice President of the Council of Delegates in the American Chiropractic Association, and section councilor in the Chiropractic Health Care section of the American Public Health Association. Her passion is motivated by the capacity for integrative and complementary professions to improve the public’s health. When not at work, she enjoys traveling, reading, running and baking pies.

Rick McMichael

Rick McMichael is a past-president of the American Chiropractic Association; the Ohio State Chiropractic Association; the Ohio State Chiropractic (regulatory) Board; and COCSA. He chaired the Guideline Council (CCGPP) for 3 years during its formation.

Rick served twelve years on Advisory Committees for integrating DCs into the Department of Defense Military Health System and the Department of Veterans' Affairs, and testified before Congressional committees in Washington, DC.

Rick has served since 2007 as facilitator for the Chiropractic Summit, which sets plans to address the most critical issues impacting the chiropractic profession and includes leaders of 40+ organizations. He has facilitated many long range planning retreats for state and national organizations, to empower DCs to find their agreement and work better together. Rick practices with sons, Aaron and Ryan. He and wife Patricia enjoy spending time with their family of five children and 10 grandchildren.
PACIFIC

Laurie Tassell

Laurie Tassell is a 1985 graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa and has since practiced in Perth, Western Australia. In that regard he has had the opportunity to bring chiropractic care to the less fortunate in the slums of Bangkok, refugee camps on the Thai Burma border, Northern Thailand, and Western Cambodia.

He has been politically active for the last 25 years at the state, national, and international level having been President of both the Western Australia and National branches of the Chiropractors’ Association of Australia (CAA). He has received many CAA honors and awards. He has served two terms as the President of CAA.

On the WFC Council Dr Tassell represents the Pacific Region.

All of Dr Tassell’s four children are chiropractors.

Corrian Poelsma

Corrian Poelsma was born in the Netherlands, but emigrated to New Zealand at the age of six. He grew up in the Tasman/Mapua area.

He was awarded a degree in chemistry in 1994 from Victoria University. Corrian practised in Napier from 1999 to 2002 before moving to Richmond, establishing Tasman Bay Chiropractic Centre in 2002.

Corrian has served on the New Zealand Chiropractic Association since 2005 and currently serves as its President. Corrian has three young children and is married to Daphna.
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WFC Secretary-General Dr Richard Brown, ACA President Dr David Herd, ICA Executive Director Ron Hendrickson and Loomis Institute’s Dr Nick Gatto attended Lear Corporation’s headquarters at Southfield, Michigan to meet Lear executives and to hear of the exciting developments in the field of automotive seating.

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Commenting on the visit Richard Brown said: “Prolonged immobility caused by driving is a serious issue when it comes to low back and neck pain. The development of technology that will improve health and wellness and reduce the incidence of spinal pain is something that the WFC is very pleased to endorse.”

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Pictured from left: Dr Nick Gatto, Dr Winson Zousal, Mr Gerry Patrick, Dr David Herd, Dr Ron Hendrickson, Dr Richard Brown
Parker Experience wows in Las Vegas!

The Parker Experience in Las Vegas was held in January 2016 at the Mandalay Bay Resort and Hotel Casino and was a winner once again! Doctors of Chiropractic, office staff, and family members were in attendance, and as always, made this one of the biggest events in the profession each year. With over 1,500 attendees from all over the world to listen to innovative platform speakers, take part in smaller seminars and visit the impressive exhibition hall, Parker was able to provide something for everyone.

The WFC delegation this year consisted of Secretary-General Dr Richard Brown and current President Dr Gregory Stewart from Canada, our Immediate Past President Dr Michael Flynn from Louisiana, Dr Rand Baird of California as Chairman of the WFC Associate Member Committee, and Committee Assistant Dr Andrea Owens from New York.

The WFC delegation was generously hosted by Parker University and was welcomed by President Dr Brian McAulay. Among the exhibitors at Parker were over 30 existing WFC Corporate Associate Members, proudly displaying their WFC Corporate Member booth placards pledging support for the WFC for another year.

CerviPedic Neck Relief (www.cervipedic.com) joined the WFC at the Bronze Level as our first new corporate associate member of 2016. CerviPedic manufactures and distributes simple, effective and comfortable neck supports designed to help people suffering from cervical spine issues.

Besides the excitement and value of the Parker Seminar itself, the opportunities for networking holding key side meetings and participating in the receptions and events make the WFC’s presence at the annual Parker Las Vegas seminar essential. Next year the event will again be held in Las Vegas, this time in February at the Paris Hotel. The WFC will be there as will our valued Corporate Associate Members!

Dr. Rand Baird, Chair, Associate Members Committee

Pictured below from left: Dr Richard Brown, Dr Greg Stewart and Dr Rand Baird

Life West unveils new Monte H. Greenawalt Health Center

Life West Chiropractic College has just unveiled a stunning renovation of its health center, named in honor of the late founder of Foot Levelers and committed supporter of the chiropractic profession, Dr Monte H. Greenawalt.

Located in the San Francisco Bay area of California, the center will provide cutting edge chiropractic services to the local community.

“The center is a state-of-the-art facility that will improve health outcomes in the San Francisco Bay area,” said Dr Timothy Gay, Executive Vice-President of the center.

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WFC Secretary-General Dr Richard Brown, Past President Dr Michael Flynn and Research Council members Professor Greg Kawchuk and Dr Christine Goertz represented the WFC at the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) National Chiropractic Leadership Conference (NCLC) held February 24-27 in Washington DC.

Invited by outgoing ACA President Dr Anthony Hamm to join him on the stage, Dr Brown witnessed a highly impressive opening ceremony, where flag bearers from the US military paraded into the hall before the Star-Spangled Banner was performed solo by a young doctor of chiropractic.

More than 700 chiropractic physicians, students and corporate partners joined the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) in Washington, D.C. to visit with lawmakers on Capitol Hill as part of this year’s NCLC.

Chiropractic physicians from all walks of the profession converged on the nation’s capital to hear speeches from government leaders, receive advocacy training and urge elected officials to enact federal legislation that would achieve full physician status for doctors of chiropractic (DCs) in Medicare. NCLC attendees also pressed lawmakers to support bills that would benefit patients, help chiropractic graduates qualify for federal programs that would enable them to practice in underserved areas in exchange for student loan debt relief and expand access to chiropractic services for veterans and active-duty military personnel.

Congressional Keynote Speaker Senator Johnny Isakson - well-known for his support of quality health care for America’s veterans - discussed the need for chiropractic care to be made available to veterans returning from Iraq. “62 percent of our veterans coming home need musculoskeletal work,” said Sen. Isakson. “10.3 percent of veterans returning are women. They carry rucksacks
over 70 pounds so they need chiropractic care."

Attendees also heard from U.S. Representative Ryan Costello (R-Penn.), a member of the Veterans Affairs Committee; U.S. Representative Ron Kind, who serves on the Subcommittee on Health; and U.S. Representative Adrian Smith (R-Neb.), a member of the House Ways and Means Committee.

In his address to attendees, ACA President Anthony Hamm, DC, focused on the immediate need for profession-wide support for Medicare reform. Dr. Hamm went on to thank the growing number of chiropractic state associations, colleges and vendors supporting the National Medicare Equality Petition and ACA’s efforts to gain parity in Medicare with other healthcare providers.

In addition to grassroots advocacy, this year’s meeting also gave attendees the opportunity to hear more than 20 chiropractic physicians speak on various topics organized in four tracks: Patient Health, Clinical Practice, Principles and Methods and Integrated Practices. Chair of the WFC Research Council, Professor Greg Kawchuk delivered the annual McAndrews lecture to a rapt audience before receiving a standing ovation lasting several minutes. Following the lecture, Dr Hamm presented Professor Kawchuk with the annual George B. McLlelland Researcher of the Year Award.
This year the World Federation of Chiropractic (WFC) and the Association of Chiropractic Colleges (ACC) will co-host its biennial Education Conference October 19-22 in the beautiful Canadian city of Montreal.

With a theme of Chiropractors: Training Tomorrow’s Spine Care Experts, the conference will be exploring, whether in light of the WFC’s 2005 Identity Statement that chiropractors should be spinal health care experts in the health care system, there is a need to adapt the way chiropractors are trained and assessed and how chiropractic institutions deliver their curricula.

The Conference is being co-hosted by the Université du Québec à Trois Rivières (UQTR) and the Canadian Chiropractic Memorial College. (CMCC). Sponsors include Activator Methods International, Canadian Chiropractic Association, International Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the Journal of Chiropractic Education.

The WFC ACC Education Conference attracts delegates from chiropractic institutions and associations around the world. With over 45 programs now delivered in 20 countries around the globe, the conference brings together representatives to share best practices, take advantage of networking opportunities and learn from experts in various fields.

Keynote speakers will include Dr Kenneth Jones PhD (psychology) the VA’s Director of Associated Health Education, who will speak on the importance of integrating chiropractic into collaborative care teams, and Professor Margareta Nordin, the incoming President of the European Spine Society who will stress how important chiropractic’s role is in the delivery of an evidence-based spinal healthcare system.

A call for papers has been issued with a deadline of June 1. Further information about the conference, to register and to submit an abstract visit: www.wfc.org/educationconference2016.

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To register online and find out more about the Call for Papers, visit WFC.org/educationconference2016.
In February 2016, Bart Green, DC, MSEd and Claire Johnson, DC, MSEd completed their PhD degrees from Walden University.

Their degrees are in Public Health with a concentration in epidemiology. In his long time military chiropractic practice, Bart noticed a considerable incidence of smoking in his back pain patients. He wished to test the association between back pain, a chronic condition that has enormous financial and social burdens, and smoking, which is a prevalent and harmful health behavior and is a modifiable risk factor for many chronic diseases.

Bart performed a cross-sectional analysis of the 2012 National Health Interview Survey that examined the prevalence of back pain among US smokers, former smokers, never smokers and the influence of other biopsychosocial factors on predicting the likelihood of back pain.

Dr. Green stated, “This study has important implications for social change. My findings show that anxiety, depression, smoking, obesity, and low physical activity are risk factors for back pain.

“All of these are factors that we can influence as chiropractors. These findings also demonstrate the need for more primary studies of the relationship between smoking and back pain in order to determine whether smoking is causal for back pain. Future studies could lead to public health interventions that develop strategies to prevent back pain and thereby alleviate some of the social burden associated with this common and costly ailment.”

Dr. Johnson is the Editor in Chief of the Journal of Manipulative and Physiological Therapeutics, Communications Chair for the American Public Health Association - Chiropractic Health Care section, and is the current Executive Secretary of the WFC Research Council.

Knowing that physical activity can reduce the risk of stroke, which causes substantial morbidity and mortality, Dr. Johnson wished to investigate this relationship in a high risk population. She performed a quantitative, cross-sectional analysis of the 2013 National Health Interview Survey to test the association between biopsychosocial factors and levels of physical activity and to develop a model to predict inactivity for US stroke survivors.

When asked about the findings of her dissertation, she said “The biopsychosocial model from my study helps to identify stroke survivors who are at risk for inactivity. This information may aid in directing interventions and supportive care for activity in stroke survivors by chiropractors and other health care providers.

“By targeting those most at risk to increase their activity, as chiropractors, we can help reduce morbidity and mortality among stroke survivors, which could improve their lives and the lives of their families and communities.”

Dr Bart Green PhD and Dr Claire Johnson PhD
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Obituary: Dr Raymond Sandoz (1929-1916)

Raymond Sandoz passed away unexpectedly Monday, January 18, 2016.

His influence on the chiropractic profession is immense. He made a considerable mark on several generations of Swiss, as well as international, Chiropractors. His highly scientific and critical attitude was already apparent during the time he was a student at the National College of Chiropractic in Lombard, Illinois.

In Switzerland, Raymond Sandoz was instrumental in the legislation of Chiropractic on both national and cantonal levels. For many years, he was both a member of the executive board of the Swiss Chiropractors Association and the Intercantonal Examining Commission.

He was responsible for developing continuing education. Beginning in 1960, he organized the postgraduate courses (known as CE-courses today) for Chiropractors in Switzerland.

Dr Sandoz was one of the founders of the Annals of the Swiss Chiropractors Association, a publication of subject matter from the courses in addition to research papers by Chiropractors from Switzerland and abroad. From the very beginning, the courses and the Annals earned great recognition internationally. Raymond Sandoz published in the Annals and professional journals from 1960 until 1989.

He initiated and managed the central course for Chiropractic assistants, the forerunner of what is known today as the Swiss Chiropractic Academy. In 2001 he was inducted as an honorary member of the Swiss Chiropractors Association.

Internationally, Raymond Sandoz lectured at many seminars and Chiropractic colleges. His presentations were always scientific, interesting, but also entertaining. He was respected and appreciated not only by the Chiropractic profession, but also by other health authorities and legislators.

In this way, he significantly contributed to the recognition and legislation of Chiropractic in Europe. He actively sustained the evolution of the AECC in Bournemouth and of the ECU, where he held, among other duties, the position of President of the Professional Council for several years.

In 1976, Dr Sandoz published a groundbreaking article titled "Some physical mechanisms and effects of spinal adjustments". In this article, Sandoz produced a diagram which described the nature of joint manipulation and an arc during which manipulation was proposed to take place. This model featured widely in the education of generations of chiropractors.

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Chiropractic Professor Features in Gray’s Anatomy

Professor Pat Collins, Professor of Anatomy at the UK’s Anglo-European College of Chiropractic (AECC), recently received her copy of the new 41st edition of Gray’s Anatomy.

Pat has worked on the past four editions of Gray’s Anatomy both as a Section Editor, and the author/editor all of the chapters featuring embryology and development throughout the book.

The 41st e-book contains video clips of a 24 week foetus filmed in our Centre for Ultrasound Studies. The previous edition of Gray’s Anatomy was published in 2008, 150 years after the original publication by Henry Gray with illustrations drawn by Henry Carter.

The new 2015 edition features imaging techniques which no one could have imagined that long ago.

*Professor Pat Collins*
WFC Council member Michele Maiers recognized for 2015 public health contribution

One of the WFC’s newly-elected Council members (USA-ACA), Northwestern Health Sciences University's Michele Maiers has received national recognition for her work in public health.

Her research, which has highlighted the need to combat the high utilization of opioids, has been nationally-acclaimed as one of the Top 10 health policy advances in 2015.

The Huffington Post online news and information website recognized Dr Maiers, Director of Northwestern's Center for Healthcare Innovation and Policy, and her work as among the most significant advances in integrative health and medicine in 2015. The site's Integrator blog described how Dr Maiers was instrumental in advances that the American Public Health Association and health providers in Minnesota made in 2015 to identify problems with over-prescription of opioid medications for pain relief, a situation that has led to addiction and abuse of those drugs.

Dr Maiers and her colleagues have worked to offer other, non-drug treatments, including chiropractic care, as options for relieving pain.

"Chiropractor Michele Maiers, DC, MPH, Ph.D., drove a two-year process [with] the Chiropractic Section of the American Public Health Association that led to a formal resolution that lifted non-pharmacologic, complementary and integrative practices into unprecedented recognition as contributors in the fight against opioid abuse," the blog reported.

"Meantime in Minnesota, Maiers is a key player in a statewide Fair Care campaign that seeks to overturn discrimination against licensed integrative health practitioners."

WFC President Dr Greg Stewart said of the award: “We congratulate Dr Maiers for her pioneering work to raise awareness on the hazards of opioid analgesics.

“We know the impact that opioids have on spinal pain sufferers and this work will have a direct and positive impact on public health.”
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In February 2016, Life University (LIFE) announced The Chillon Project, a degree-granting program for incarcerated students and correctional staff in the Georgia prison system – the only program of its kind offered by a college or university based in the state of Georgia.

“We are ecstatic about seeing the partnership between the Georgia Department of Corrections and Life University move to the next level,” says Dr. L.C. “Buster” Evans, Assistant Commissioner of Inmate Services at the Georgia Department of Corrections (GDC).

“The administration and faculty from Life University have been proactive leaders in helping to advance educational opportunities for both officers as well as inmates who recognize that their future success is tied to educational accomplishment.”

The Chillon Project is an undertaking of LIFE’s Center for Compassion, Integrity and Secular Ethics (CCISE) together with the Georgia Department of Corrections to introduce degree programs in Georgia’s correctional facilities. It will be one of a handful of such programs in the entire south east of the United States.

An innovative feature of The Chillon Project is the inclusion of scholarships for correctional officers employed by the GDC, as well as their family members, to also have increased access to higher education at Life University.

“Education in prisons transforms lives and communities by showing that incarcerated persons are first and foremost human beings with the same potential as anyone else to help themselves and others if only given the opportunity,” says Brendan Ozawa-de Silva, PhD, program director of The Chillon Project and associate professor of psychology at LIFE.

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Life University Launches Degree Granting Program in Georgia Prison System (ctd)

“Higher education is the only effective way to drastically reduce recidivism, and incarcerated persons who earn a Bachelor’s degree while in prison have reoffending rates of less than 3 percent, compared to rates of up to 70 percent for the general population.”

Guy F. Riekeman, D.C., President of Life University, and Dr. Ozawa-de Silva have shared LIFE’s unique curriculum plans and initiatives such as The Chillon Project with His Holiness the Dalai Lama. At the end of December 2015, they received a letter from the Dalai Lama commending LIFE’s commitment to positive social change.

“As someone who believes strongly in the possibility and potential of individuals to change, I feel that the focus of a society’s justice system should always be on rehabilitation rather than punishment,” commented the Dalai Lama. “I therefore support initiatives that provide prisoners with opportunities to pursue education and personal development and in doing so benefit society as well.

“I am delighted to hear that Life University and its Center for Compassion, Integrity and Secular Ethics, through a program they call ‘The Chillon Project,’ has now developed a degree program for people imprisoned in the state of Georgia.”

Pending approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), The Chillon Project will offer an Associate of Arts degree in Positive Human Development and Social Change, with the plan to expand this after three years to also offer a Bachelor of Arts degree in Positive Human Development and Social Change.

The Bachelor’s will be debuted for LIFE students on the University’s Marietta campus as well. The curriculum, based on the concept of secular ethics, is a rigorous interdisciplinary degree focused on providing the skills and knowledge necessary for creating positive and sustainable social change. It includes coursework in positive psychology, business and social entrepreneurship, peace studies and other disciplines. It also includes lab components for the cultivation of inner values, emotional and social intelligence, and contemplative practice.

Named for Lord Byron’s poem “The Prisoner of Chillon” – a poem often cited by Life University’s founder, Dr. Sid E. Williams – The Chillon Project will enroll 15 incarcerated students at the Lee Arrendale State Prison in Alto, Georgia during its initial year, and, additionally, Life University will provide scholarships to 15 Lee Arrendale State Prison correctional staff or their family members. Enrollment will increase in subsequent years, and the program will be opened to incarcerated women throughout the state. Life University, which operates on a quarter system, anticipates launching the program officially in the spring or summer quarter of 2016.

“We are convinced that there is a better way to handle incarceration, and are grateful to the GDC and to Governor Deal for this opportunity,” said Dr. Riekeman, President of Life University. “Our hope is that what we are doing in Georgia and at Life University will become a model for other states and universities to follow.”

LIFE’s Center for Compassion, Integrity and Secular Ethics (CCISE) is dedicated to developing and promoting empirically-based programs that foster the human values most conducive to individual, social and environmental flourishing through research, dialogue, education and community empowerment.

To learn more about the CCISE and initiatives like The Chillon Project, visit http://www.LIFE.edu/CCISE.

Dr Guy Riekeman
Logan University had the privilege of hosting four USA National Team Para Powerlifters and their coaches for an intense all-day training camp in early December 2015.

David Parish, DC, MS, CSCS, DACBSP, program director of the Master of Science in Sports Science and Rehabilitation, was instrumental in helping bring the team to Logan for the first time. Dr. Parish has been involved with para-powerlifting athletes for several years, serving as one of the Team USA physicians at the ParaPan American Games in Guadalajara, Mexico, in 2011 as well as the 2012 Paralympic Games in London. This year’s members of the U.S. Para Powerlifting team are competing for spots at the 2016 Paralympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The team consists of five male athletes, ranging in age from 19 to 43, and their disabilities come from a variety of sources, including birth, polio, cerebral palsy, military duty and an accident. What they do have in common, says Mary Hodge, CPT, MS, high performance manager for the U.S. Para Powerlifting Team, is incredible upper body strength. “When we’re recruiting, we’re looking for someone who is physically strong in body shape—with wide shoulders and big backs, offering more stability,” she said. “We’re also looking for how hard they are going to want to train.”

Hodge said the commitment to be on the Paralympic team is demanding. It’s not just attending practice, she said. Rather, it’s accepting a certain lifestyle in order to remain competitive. Once they qualify, every athlete demands a different training regime.

“Everything has to be adapted not just to that person, but to the disability—whether they use a wheelchair or crutches,” she said. “On any given day, they may be in immense pain. This sport is not for everyone and you have to be willing to endure wrist, shoulder and elbow pain without supplements or enhancements.”

Several training camps are held throughout the year to prepare athletes for competitions. The camp recently held at Logan provided essential training for the athletes to fine-tune powerlifting techniques, review videos and discuss nutrition and mental preparation.

“I saw the video of campus and we were told about Logan’s facilities, but I had no idea what was in store for us,” Hodge said. “It was nothing but positive from the moment we stepped on the grounds. Beautiful campus and facilities, and wonderful faculty. The whole experience went very smoothly.”

Dr. Parish agreed and said hosting these incredible athletes was a proud moment for Logan. “They appreciated everything we did for them, and we received great feedback.”
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Obituary: Dr Lindsay Rowe DC, MD, DACBR (1956-2016)

It is with great sadness that the WFC reports the death of renowned chiropractor, radiologist and medical doctor, Dr Lindsay J. Rowe. Dr Rowe passed away peacefully on Monday 25 January after a long battle with cancer. He will be remembered as an inspiring international lecturer and a co-author with Dr Terry Yochum of "Essentials of Skeletal Radiology".

Earning his DC degree with honours from the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in 1979, Dr Rowe practised as a chiropractor, going on to gain board certification in radiology (DACBR). He chaired the Department of Radiology at Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College from 1982-1984.

Dr Rowe went on to complete a medical degree at the University of Newcastle, Australia, and undertook a residency programme in general and emergency medicine and surgery, becoming senior registrar and fellow in Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology in Newcastle.

Retaining an associate professorship at the University of Newcastle, his career took him to the John Hunter Hospital in Melbourne. He was also an adjunct professor at Northwestern Health Sciences University and Murdoch University.

Known for his keen sense of humour, Dr Rowe inspired, educated and entertained countless delegates at a number of WFC Congresses as well as students of chiropractic radiology around the globe. "Essentials of Skeletal Radiology" can be found on the bookshelves of thousands of chiropractors worldwide.

Speaking on Dr Rowe’s passing, WFC Secretary-General Richard Brown said, "Dr Rowe was truly a giant in the chiropractic profession, whose legacy will live on for decades. His contribution is immeasurable and through his speaking and writing he was able to leave a lasting impression, not just on doctors of chiropractic, but also on the patients he served."
Hot on the heels of Tim Peake’s mission to the International Space Station, the UK’s Anglo-European College of Chiropractic (AECC) is collaborating on its own mission that could impact the future of space travel as we know it. The AECC is to collaborate in a European Space Agency project led by scientists at King’s College London in order to add their expertise in state-of-the-art spinal evaluation. The project centres around determination of the effect of the Gravity Loading Countermeasure SkinSuit (SkinSuit for short) which aims to mitigate the spinal elongation and possibly also some of the musculoskeletal deconditioning that occurs to an astronaut during space flight.

Astronauts returning from space suffer from spinal elongation and deterioration in the spine’s extensor muscles and those along their posterior chain. The SkinSuit is made from a modified elastic material and loads vertically from shoulder to foot in a way that the loading increases as it goes towards the feet. This loading could help to reduce spinal elongation and increase spinal muscle activity.

Dr David A Green from King’s College London who is leading the project, commented: “We are here at the AECC’s High Performance Centre to test the SkinSuit using the unparalleled range of high tech functional evaluation tools. We want to assess what the effects of axial loading are while wearing the suit to inform our recommendations for participants in a range of planned studies, such as further space flight experiments (the SkinSuit was worn by Andreas Mogensen on the International Space Station in Sept 2015) and in certain populations here on earth.”

Interestingly the SkinSuit may be used by more than just astronauts. While a loss of the stabiliser muscles is a known problem for returning astronauts when they come back from space it’s also a problem for a range of individuals who are immobilised; be that athletes who have a traumatic injury or for people who have prolonged stays in hospital. A key area of interest is intensive care which is associated with a profound loss of muscle. A potential opportunity is for individuals to wear the suit in intensive care with the aim that axial loading provided by the suit might help protect some of those core stabilizer muscles, which will then facilitate an earlier progression into more functional exercise once recovered.

David and the team will return to the AECC in 2016 to continue tests on the suit using the college’s Open Upright MRI scanner with the hope that evidence can be gained to support a SkinSuit being provided to Astronaut Thomas Pesquet who will fly out to the International Space Station next year.
ICA celebrates 90th anniversary at chiropractic’s birthplace

The International Chiropractic Association held its 2016 Annual Meeting and 90th Anniversary celebrations in Davenport, Iowa over the weekend of April 8–9. With a theme of Celebrating 90 Years of Service to the Chiropractic Profession and the Public, the ICA recognised the heritage, leadership, innovation and inspiration that have been key to the ICA’s role in advancing chiropractic as a separate and distinct profession over the entirety of its 90 year history.

“ICA is proud of the role it has played in the growth and clarity of the profession,” notes Dr. George Curry, ICA’s 18th president. “This year’s landmark 90th Anniversary offers a very special opportunity, not just in April in Davenport but throughout the entire year, for ICA to honor the many pioneers that have played such an integral and powerful part in advancing this great profession, including Dr. B.J. Palmer, who founded the ICA in 1926, and their extraordinary accomplishments along the way.”

Established in 1926 in Davenport, Iowa, USA by Dr. B. J. Palmer, the International Chiropractors Association (ICA) is the world’s oldest international chiropractic professional organization representing practitioners, students, chiropractic assistants, educators and lay persons world-wide. The ICA is dedicated to the growth and development of the chiropractic profession based on Dr. Palmer’s fundamental belief in the principle and philosophy of chiropractic as a unique, separate, distinct and drugless health care profession.

ICA’s distinguishing feature today is the same as it was in 1926 – advocating for chiropractic. For nearly 90 years, the ICA has advocated and, when necessary, litigated to support the chiropractic profession and quality patient care. With the support of ICA’s dedicated members and leaders globally, chiropractic is a formally recognized and respected health care choice.

Arnold Schwarzenegger honoured by ICA for community service

Arnold Schwarzenegger, politician, actor, film-maker and bodybuilder was again the keynote speaker for the International Chiropractors Association (ICA) Council on Fitness and Sports Health Science’s Annual ICA Symposium on Natural Fitness and Sports for the twenty-fourth consecutive year. A strong advocate for chiropractic, Schwarzenegger speaks powerfully on health and fitness in the community and the roles that doctors of chiropractic can play.

The programme line up also incorporated an exceptional series of non-chiropractic speakers including NFL athletes Michael Haynes, MA, Sam Madison, and Darryl Tapp, who brought their special insights, information and experience to the program.

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Following his keynote presentation, Arnold Schwarzenegger was recognized for his lifetime of commitment to community service.

Speakers highlighted his leadership, inspiring people everywhere to make a difference in their communities through supporting individuals and groups that work to advance health and fitness.

He was presented with a special Civil War-era sword and framed certificate honoring his contributions in these critical public health areas.

In responding, Governor Schwarzenegger spoke from the podium about his observations and personal experiences with chiropractic’s value and significance for patients of all ages.

He noted that his partnership with the International Chiropractors Association shared a vision and commitment to work for health “on a world-wide level, on a global level,” sharing also that “I’d like to promote fitness on a global level – because people need to be fit all over the world and this is what the Arnold Fitness Weekend is about. It’s all about promoting health and fitness.”

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Ron Hendrickson, Executive Director of the International Chiropractors Association, presents a Civil War era sword to Arnold Schwarzenegger

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WORLD SPINE DAY TAKES PLACE ON OCTOBER 16 - WHAT WILL YOU BE DOING?

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Jean Moss Receives Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree From UOIT

Past President of Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC) Dr Jean Moss has been awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT) in recognition of her contribution to the chiropractic profession.

Citing her inspirational leadership, outstanding intellectual contribution in the field of chiropractic education and research and her unwavering commitment to improving access to health care, UOIT announced that it was proud to confer upon Dr Moss the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Having commenced her chiropractic education at the Anglo-European College of Chiropractic in 1965, Dr Moss moved to Canada in 1967 and completed her chiropractic education at CMCC in 1970. Upon graduation, she entered private practice, shortly afterwards joining the faculty of CMCC, and enjoyed a successful career as an educator, clinician and administrator. She obtained her Masters in Business Administration degree from York University, Toronto, and in 1991 became CMCC’s first female president, holding this position until 2014.

Under Dr Moss’s leadership CMCC prospered greatly, forging relationships with universities and hospitals, supporting the pursuit of chiropractic research, implementing a new integrative curriculum and building a new campus.

A tenacious advocate and tireless spokesperson for the chiropractic profession, Dr. Moss is the recipient of many honours including the World Federation of Chiropractic Honour Award for outstanding service and contributions to the international growth of the profession.

As CMCC President, she opened Canada’s first chiropractic clinic within a teaching hospital. In 2005, under Dr. Moss’ leadership, CMCC obtained degree-granting status making it the first private institution in Ontario to offer a profession-oriented health care degree.

Upon stepping down as CMCC President after a 23-year tenure, she was named President Emerita, in honour of her leadership to CMCC and to the chiropractic community.

WFC President Dr Greg Stewart said of the award: "Jean Moss has been instrumental in developing chiropractic education in Canada. The profession is indebted to her for her contribution and tireless efforts on behalf of the profession. This honorary degree properly recognises her work and is justly deserved."
American Chiropractic Association Names New President


Dr. Herd, who gained a Bachelors degree in philosophy in 1976, graduated in 1979 from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa, previously served on the ACA Board of Governors as vice president of ACA.

Dr. Herd has been a leader in the chiropractic profession for decades, previously serving as ACA's New York state delegate, as well as secretary, treasurer, vice president and president of the Rochester district of the New York State Chiropractic Association.

He has served as an assistant professor of chiropractic studies at New York Chiropractic College in Seneca Falls, N.Y. He also served on the boards of directors of the Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters and the Foundation for Chiropractic Education and Research.

Joining Dr. Herd on ACA’s Executive Committee are Vice President Karen K. Konarski-Hart, DC, of Little Rock, Arkansas and Chairman of the Board.

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Murdoch University’s Bruce Walker receives Australian Honour for services to education and chiropractic

Associate Professor Bruce Walker has been awarded the prestigious Membership in the General Division of the Order of Australia (AM). The announcement, made on Australia Day, January 26, 2016, makes Dr Walker one of only a handful of Australian chiropractors who have been recognized by the Australian nation for their contribution to the chiropractic profession.

Dr Walker is the Head of Chiropractic and Associate Dean of Research for the School of Health Professions at Murdoch University in Perth, Western Australia. He started as a chiropractic student in Melbourne, Victoria in 1972 and graduated in 1975. During his time as a college student he involved himself in student politics and represented the student body locally and nationally. After graduation he spent 30 years in clinical practice as a chiropractor in Melbourne and Townsville, Queensland, during which time he obtained a Master’s degree in Public Health from Monash University (1995) and a Doctorate in Public Health by way of research from James Cook University (2003). Along the way Bruce immersed himself in the organisation of the profession holding pro bono executive board positions with his alma mater, the Chiropractic College of Australasia, also the United Chiropractors Association, the Australian Chiropractors Association and the Chiropractors Association of Australia. One of his major achievements was the development of the leading vocational college for graduate chiropractors known as the Chiropractic & Osteopathic College of Australasia (COCA). Bruce started this evidence based college in 1990 with two members and today it has over 1000 members nationally. He is a Life Member of COCA for his contribution to that organisation.

As Head of Chiropractic and Associate Dean of Research for the School of Health Professions at Murdoch University Bruce has inspired staff and students to embrace an evidence based approach to learning, teaching and practice. He has long advocated for chiropractic to become part of mainstream allied health medicine by calling for the profession to embrace science and research as core business for the profession. Bruce has set an outstanding example for his colleagues by publishing 66 peer reviewed articles during his relatively brief time as an academic. His work has had considerable impact having been cited over 2500 times.

He is the Editor-in-Chief of the international peer reviewed open access journal Chiropractic & Manual Therapies and is Chair of the Editors Advisory Group for the publisher BioMed Central a division of Springer Nature. Bruce has spent 7 years on State Chiropractic Registration Boards in the past and he was recently made a Fellow of the Royal College of Chiropractors in the United Kingdom.

Bruce has also devoted much of his time in the past 6 years to researching the health and education needs of Aboriginal peoples in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. An outcome of his work has seen advanced planning for a Mobile Health Clinic for remote Aboriginal communities. When fully funded this Murdoch University project will add considerable value to the existing health and health education services available to Aboriginal communities in these remote areas.

Commenting on the award, Dr Walker said: “I’m very proud of this award, which is a tribute to the chiropractic profession at large and in particular to those evidence based chiropractors who have fearlessly pursued science and guided the profession in the right direction.” “The award is the result of a team effort and belongs to all the very motivated and talented teams of people who supported me throughout my career. I am particularly indebted to Dr Alison Hogg who as my wife and a GP has sustained and buoyed me continuously for over 30 years especially in his career endeavours. “Chiropractic has been on a journey from a craft to a profession over many decades and when I graduated in 1975 Australia had about 400 chiropractors most of whom practised from their homes and many were part time. Now there are over 5000 Government registered chiropractors and four 5 year University degree programs in Australia. The profession has come a long way and will continue to progress to become a fully-fledged allied health profession”.

![Bruce Walker](Image)
Chiropractors in Hong Kong chiropractors are working hard to increase public awareness.

Encouraged by the Labour Department to bring chiropractic to the masses, doctors of chiropractic have been focusing on making every Hong Kong citizen familiar with the advantages of chiropractic care.

With a population of close to 7 million, Hong Kong is a diverse society. Although the official language is Cantonese, English is widely spoken due to Hong Kong’s previous status as a British colony.

Chiropractic is a regulated profession in Hong Kong and since 1993 all chiropractors have been required to register with the Chiropractors Council of Hong Kong (www.chiro-council.org.hk). Since 2003 it has been illegal to practice as a chiropractor in Hong Kong unless registered.

In the last issue of QWR, we reported on the Chiropractic Doctors Association of Hong Kong (CDAHK) scooping first prize in the WFC’s World Spine Day competition.

The CDAHK’s Public Information Planning Committee met recently to discuss new ways of raising public awareness. Part of the new strategy has involved the publication of a book, The Secrets of Chiropractic Revealed. Published in Chinese, it has become a bestseller on the bookshelves of Hong Kong and elsewhere.

With 37 contributing authors covering spine care from birth to old age, special populations and general spine care advice, it has been hailed in the media as being ‘the amazing spinal book of the year’.

The CDAHK was formed in 2000 and is one of two national chiropractic associations in Hong Kong (the other being the Hong Kong Chiropractors’ Association). Its Chairman is Dr Eric Chu (pictured), a 2002 graduate of New York Chiropractic College.
CURRENT ACTIVITIES


Philippines. Initiating grassroots development of a national Spine and Posture Screening program. Advising the first Chiropractic Patient Federation of Asia that has formed in the Philippines.

United States. Over 15 years of actively assisting in creating chiropractic access within “America’s Health Care Safety Net” clinics that serve the poor, migrant farmer and indigenous communities. Currently serving populations in excess of 500,000 patients in rural California FQHCs.

FOREIGN SERVICE REGISTRY

An online registration for chiropractors interested in foreign practice. There are already over 1,250 registrants that have expressed interests to practice in over 100 different countries.

Coaching services are available as opportunities develop to assist doctors in preparing for their practices abroad. Placing DCs where they are more likely to stay 3 to 5 years or permanently.

Please refer qualified and interested chiropractors to our website to provide the requested information with as much detail as possible to receive foreign practice opportunities, related information as it applies to each situation.

GLOBAL PROFESSIONAL STRATEGY

Chiropractic “GPS” is a booklet designed to inform the prospective International DC about the major issues and topics that can help them form their own ideas about when and where to locate the right coordinates for their practice in a foreign country.

It is also valuable to policy makers in chiropractic in evaluating the level of growth in their country and what steps to take to reach the next growth stage.

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WFC Research Chair Greg Kawchuk appointed adjunct professor at University of Southern Denmark

WFC Research Council Chair, Professor Greg Kawchuk, has been appointed an Adjunct Professor at the University of Southern Denmark.

Dr Kawchuk, a 1990 graduate of Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College, was awarded a PhD in bioengineering from the University of Calgary in 2000 and is Professor of Rehabilitation Medicine at the University of Alberta.

After postdoctoral work at the State University of New York and the University of Calgary, Dr Kawchuk joined the Faculty of Kinesiology at the University of Calgary as an Assistant Professor with an additional clinical appointment in Student Health Services.

Recruited by the University of Alberta in 2004 to join the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine as an Assistant Professor, he now holds the Canada Research Chair in Spinal Function.

Speaking on his new appointment, Professor Jan Hartvigsen of USD commented:

“I am very pleased that the President of the University of Southern Denmark has agreed to appoint Greg Kawchuk to Adjunct Professor in Clinical Biomechanics. We already have joint research projects with Greg and with this new appointment we will accelerate our collaboration in the area of spinal biomechanics and how spinal function influences people’s health.

“In Denmark we have the world’s largest and most productive research group in chiropractic as well as state of the art facilities for biomechanical research. With Greg now on board for the next five years, we can take our research even further for the benefit of patients, societies and the chiropractic profession.”

New Line-up for FLAQ

The Latin American Chiropractic Federation, FLAQ, announced its new Executive Council at a recent regional meeting that took place in Sao Paolo, Brazil.

President Dr Sergio Saleh from Chile heads the FLAQ Executive, with Brazil’s Dr Juliana Piva as Vice-President.

First Secretary is Dr Maria Gabriela Flores from Guatemala, while the newly-elected treasurer of FLAQ is Dr Mayda Serrano from Puerto Rico.

Dr Gabriel Quintero, will serve as past president on the Executive while the WFC’s second vice-president, Dr Carlos Ayres serves as FLAQ’s International Liaison Officer. Dr Sira Borges continued as FLAQ Executive Director.

The FLAQ meeting was supported by WFC and took place 7-9 April at University Anhembi Morumbi. WFC Secretary-General spoke about the international advocacy role of the WFC via a pre-recorded video message.

More information about FLAQ can be found at its website www.flaq.org.

Pictured below from left: Dr Mayda Serrano, Dr Juliana Piva, Dr Sira Borges, Dr Carlos Ayres and Dr Gabriel Quintero.
Join us in Washington DC for the premier chiropractic event of 2017.

For the first time, the World Federation of Chiropractic, the Association of Chiropractic Colleges and the American Chiropractic Association are teaming up to deliver a packed program containing the hottest scientific research, inspiring thought leaders, stimulating debate and topical workshops.

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