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Taking place at the BWI Marriott on March 3-4, the Maryland Chiropractic Association's **2007 March CE Forum** will include an assortment of CE opportunities for yourself and staff, including 10 CE credits offered for chiropractic assistants. Featuring speakers **Mark Charrette, D.C.** and **Donald Murphy, D.C., D.A.C.A.N.**, the program is expected to sell out.

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Is Sports Chiropractic of interest to you? Do you want to work with athletes? Do you enjoy sports? The Maryland Chiropractic Association wants you.

The MCA Sports Council provides chiropractors for various athletic events in the state and opportunities for Maryland DC's to get work experience with competitive athletes. You do not have to have a lot of experience treating athletes to belong to the Sports Council. You do not have to be a sports diplomate or a certified chiropractic sports practitioner. You just have to be a member of the MCA, be licensed to practice in the state, be interested in working with athletes and willing to work within the Sports Council protocols. That, and you will need a portable adjusting table.

The Sports Council has worked a number of events over the past year and can make itself available to work running, weightlifting, and triathlon events all around the state **if** there are enough chiropractors to be there. Call **Dave Koronet**, at 301-829-1717 or e-mail him at d.koronet@att.net (put "MCA Sports" in the subject box) if you are interested in being part of the MCA Sports Council.

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President's Update

Donald Hirsh, DC

Time to Charge The Hill! PART II

In my last President's Report, I discussed the issues that have plagued chiropractors in Maryland and the steps the MCA is taking to deal with these problems. I am pleased to report that we are on our way up the hill.

At our December Board of Directors meeting, the MCA took very important steps to insure that we get ourselves prepared for battle. First, we formed the MCA's first ever Legal Action Fund. This fund will grow with efforts from a select committee that I will be appointing this month. MCA also voted during our last meeting to match the first \$10,000 of donations dollar for dollar.

Secondly, for the first time the MCA Board voted to form an MCA PAC Committee whose charge will be to assist the Maryland's Chiropractic Political Action Committee (CPAC) in raising money. This committee will also be appointed this month. With significant help and the resources of the MCA behind them, our Committee and CPAC will vastly raise our influence in Annapolis.

With regards to the horrible state of reimbursements to chiropractors, the MCA has committed to work with the **Maryland Health Providers Coalition**, a collection of all the major health care providers in Maryland, to develop legislation to help tackle the problem. In February, we expect legislation to be introduced in the Maryland House and Senate, to form a task force in charge of fixing such problems. I am proud to say the MCA is a key member of the Coalition. We are providing significant leadership and direction to this cause, predominately through the great work of our **General Counsel Joel Kruh** and our chief lobbyists **Cas Taylor** and **Robin Shavits**.

We are working hard for you every day at the MCA. Make sure you promptly renew your membership and if called, join one of our committees or work groups. If we don't call you first, please track me down and we will find a rewarding spot for you.

We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and a delightful beginning of this 2007. We have great things in store for us this year. Thanks for being part of it.

Sincerely,

Donald W. Hirsh, DC

Public Relations Committee Spreading the Word Throughout the Freedom State

Dr. Adam Fidel

This summer and fall the MCA was seen and heard around the state. We sponsored a booth at the **Maryland State Fair** in Timonium featuring a backpack safety message. A dozen doctors and staff members worked to promote chiropractic and safe habits. Thank you to all who volunteered! I spoke with **Dr. Alan Sokoloff** on "Talking Back," 1370 a.m. radio about backpack safety and hope we can continue to reach out to the community through each office in the state by educating your patients about the need to properly **Choose, Pack, Lift and Carry** backpacks carefully. I would like to show you how to reach out through your local school system to teach backpack safety to the teachers and children. All you really need is a poster and a DVD. The MCA has chosen materials from **Body Mechanics Press** (they can be reached at 1-800-672-4277) to present a professional image. Mention the MCA and receive 10% discount on all supplies. Call me at to discuss implementing a safety program in your area schools (phone number below).

Dr. Don Hirsh and myself were featured on the cable channel, **The Retirement Living Network** discussing the benefits of chiropractic for our aging baby boomer population. This May we are working on having a presence at the **Arthritis Walk** in Harford (5/19/07), Baltimore (5/20/07), Carroll (5/12/07) and Howard (5/5/07) Counties. If you are interested in participating, again please call me.

Lastly, I am looking for doctors to assist on public relation projects such as assisting with scoliosis screening within the schools, public speaking, Correct Posture Month, etc. We need participants in all areas around the state. Maryland needs to see and hear about the benefits of Chiropractic regularly. Call **Dr. Adam Fidel** at 410-484-5642 or email fidelchiropractic@comcast.net.

Who Represents You on the MCA Board of Directors?

The MCA Bylaws were recently changed in order to designate a specific MCA Board of Directors member to represent you. The changes now allocate one member to be designated as your District Representative. This is the best person for you to contact should you have specific needs, questions or issues that you would like brought before the Board. This representative is also the person who is responsible for setting up local district meetings of members. Find out who your District Representative is by reading the chart below.

In addition to the seven District Representatives, there are five Directors-At-Large, the officers and the representatives of the American Chiropractic and International Chiropractic associations who make up the MCA Board.

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*H*ello, friends and colleagues. I'm a bit at a loss for words somehow, as this is my last article for the *MCA Journal*. I draw encouragement from the likelihood that no one will actually read this, so my farewell need not be eloquent but only brief. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve you and the profession as treasurer of CPAC for the last 18 years. I have appreciated the opportunity to work with many different MCA presidents and legislative chairs. I will truly miss the day-to-day working relationship with **Joel Kruh**, who taught me the job from the ground up and made it fun. Last of all, a final THANK YOU!! to all the docs who supported CPAC over the years and often responded with an extra push to get us out of a jam or to make a special donation. We are members of a profession that is not well understood or much appreciated by the general public. We need to be conscious of how precarious our political position is and actively work to improve it. Membership in the MCA and support of CPAC are the easiest way for each of us to do just that. Give the new treasurer, **Dr. Neil Cohen**, a hearty welcome with an avalanche of checks!

Okay, I never had a chance at eloquent and now I'm not even brief. The following list reflects the contributions received in the last 12 months. Thank you all.

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Please send your contribution to Dr. Neil Cohen, 1308 Eastern Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21221

Thank You's From MCA's Fundraising Committee

By Dr. Eric Huntington
MCA Legislative Fundraising Committee Co-Chair

Dr. Richard Schmitt and I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the fundraising that we did this past September. We were able to raise enough funds to support the political candidates that the association felt would best represent the chiropractic profession in Annapolis. As a result of your PAC contributions, MCA was able to make the maximum donation to the successful **Martin O'Malley** for Governor campaign. In fact, while on the campaign trail O'Malley was able to stop by my practice in Baltimore and spend lunch with MCA's Legislative Committee learning more about the chiropractic profession and how chiropractic care can advance the health of Maryland's citizens. Please give special thanks to those members who gave to the governors campaign through the MCA. Their checks along with the MCA PAC totaled \$30,000.

To each of you who contributed, well done! We hope this is just the beginning of strengthening our already strong relationships in Annapolis. The future of our great profession in Maryland rests on the shoulders of the few who are willing to support our association's efforts through donation of their time, money and membership. Our efforts will ensure that the MCA can get our collective message across to policy makers in Annapolis. As another key step in this effort MCA also recently retained **Alexander and Cleaver** as our legislative representatives in Maryland. They arranged for us to meet directly with the incoming Mayor of Baltimore and both the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. We are in an excellent position for the upcoming Legislative Session.

We would also like to extend a very special thank you to **Dr. Lori Prescott**, president of The Prescott Group Consulting Firm. Dr. Prescott's clients contributed nearly

half of the total amount of money raised in conjunction with the MCA for the gubernatorial race this fall. In fact, at The Prescott Group's September conference in Clearwater Fla., Dr. Prescott informed her clients about the MCA's fundraising efforts and encouraged any doctors with a Maryland license to contribute. Following that announcement, we raised a significant amount of money from Prescott clients.

Following the completion of our fundraising efforts, I contacted Dr. Prescott to thank her for her assistance. During that conversation, I asked Dr. Prescott why she felt it was important to encourage her clients to support their state associations. Dr. Prescott responded, "I encourage my clients to support their state associations because the associations are the ones who are fighting for Chiropractors and their legal rights. It's really just a handful of dedicated Chiropractors in each state that are taking responsibility for all of the Chiropractors in their state. It's a lot of weight on just a few broad shoulders and they really need the help."

I then asked Dr. Prescott what a strong association means for chiropractic in each state—and this was her response, "It is necessary for the profession to have a strong voice that will be heard. It lets others that would prefer for Chiropractic to go into a quiet corner and take whatever is given to it know that we are not going to just roll over or go away anytime soon. (A stronger chiropractic profession means) more protection for Chiropractors and the patients that would prefer a drugless alternative."

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ACA Update

By Audie Klingler, DC - ACA Maryland Delegate

ACA Requests Information Regarding ASHN From DCs

As many of you know, the ACA has been accumulating information about the practices of American Specialty Health Network (ASHN) for some time. Recently, new complaints have begun to escalate and the ACA has been notified of changes in ASHN practices. Doctors report difficulties in obtaining authorization for patients with chronic conditions. If true, this is a very disturbing development. At this time the Association is requesting any information pertaining to this problem. ACA will then forward the information and concerns to the appropriate regulatory agencies.

There are three ways in which individuals can submit information to the ACA Insurance Relations Department:

- 1) By filling out and submitting our online data collection form: http://www.acatoday.org/insurance/managed_care/insurance_data_collection_form.cfm.
- 2) Through the Chiropractic Networks Action Center you can print out the data collection form at http://www.acatoday.org/pdf/managed_care_collection.pdf and fax it to ACA at 703-516-4976.
- 3) By emailing us as insinfo@acatoday.org.

Please be sure to sanitize any documentation you submit to the ACA unless you have a signed patient's authorization specific to release of information to the ACA for investigative purposes and for reporting to regulatory agencies.

Congress Acts to Reverse Select Medicare Payment Cuts

In one of the final acts of the 2006 Session, Congress passed legislation that halts a 5 percent cut in Medicare physician fees. The reduction would have gone into effect on Jan. 1, 2007, in addition to the 8 percent cut doctors of chiropractic will incur in February 2007.

Instead, the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006, the omnibus bill that contained the physician fee provision, provides no increase in the congressionally mandated sustainable growth rate (SGR) mechanism which works to hamper spending in the Medicare program. The president is expected to sign the bill.

“The ACA is pleased that Congress has halted this portion of

the upcoming cuts in physician Medicare payments,” said ACA President Dr. Richard G. Brassard. “It is completely unreasonable to expect providers to take on further financial constraints when they are already being hit from all sides with fee decreases. We applaud this move as a significant recognition of the increasingly stressful environment for physicians in Medicare.”

Although the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 provides some measure of relief, providers in Medicare still face many types of fee cuts for 2007. Under a final rule—issued by CMS per the congressionally mandated five-year review of the work values of billing codes—doctors of chiropractic will face an average 8 percent cut starting in February 2007. This rule also imposes significant cuts to radiological and imaging services.

The bill also includes a provision that will allow for a 1.5 percent increase in reimbursement for providers who report on existing quality measures established by CMS. Quality measures are developed by several different organizations through a rigorous process grounded in evidence-based medicine. The measures, approved by CMS, are geared toward primary care practices and have been utilized in the Physician Voluntary Reporting Program.

“The ACA will continue to lobby on behalf of its members for fair reimbursement of Medicare services. It is imperative that Congress and the Department of Health and Human Services develop a permanent solution to the physician fee schedule because those most affected by this annual dilemma are not doctors, but patients,” Dr. Brassard said.

Because the fee schedule has many different components, including a geographic consideration, doctors of chiropractic should contact their local Medicare carriers/contractors for information on what their fees will be in 2007. The 8 percent decrease is only an average and percentages may vary depending on location.

ACA Offers Web Page Dedicated to Medicare Appeals Process

ACA has developed a Web page on the Medicare Part B appeals process. It includes a summary of the five stages of the appeals process, links to relevant organizations, and provider education articles from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Also included on the page are two members-only articles

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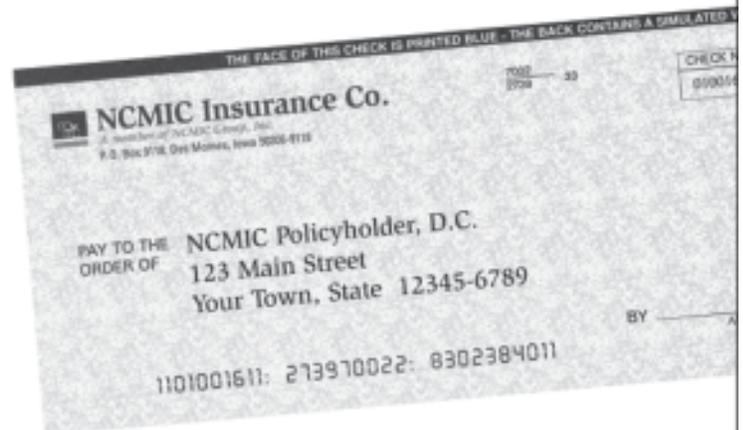
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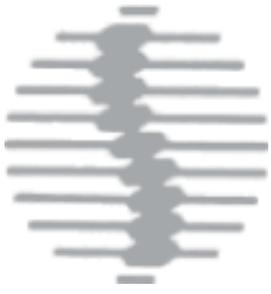
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ICA *Report*

By Eric Huntington, DC
ICA Maryland Delegate

ICA Encourages Chiropractors to Review PCCRP Guidelines

PCCRP is the acronym for Practicing Chiropractors' Committee for Radiology Protocols. These PCCRP guidelines/protocols will protect our right to utilize X-Ray, and should be supported. They are chaired by **Dr. Deed E. Harrison**, ICA representative from Nevada. The PCCRP has an executive panel of 4 chiropractic researchers including: **Dr. Donald Harrison** (ICA board member), **Dr. Christopher Kent** (WCA board member), **Dr. Joseph Betz** (ICA representative from Idaho), and **Dr. Paul Oakley** (Ontario Chiropractic Assoc. member) and a larger panel of 20 Chiropractic Clinical Experts, who all aided in the development, literature searches, writing, editing, and review of these new PCCRP X-ray Guidelines.

- If you are a licensed DC and you take x-rays for the analysis of spinal subluxation, then you need to take action and we need your assistance. The PCCRP X-ray guidelines were developed by Chiropractors and Chiropractic Organizations for Practicing Clinicians and their Patients. The PCCRP guidelines are in direct competition/opposition to current attempts to restrict Chiropractic Radiography to "Red Flag Only" conditions or diagnosis.
- Do you want to be outside the 'standard of care' for taking 'routine' x-rays for subluxation assessment and post-treatment radiographs? If not please review the PCCRP guidelines and COMPLETE THE SURVEY on the PCCRP Web site (www.pccrp.org).
- The PCCRP guideline committee performed a comprehensive literature search (1,963 references in total) and prepared the 350 page document. The PCCRP guidelines are the Evidence Based Support for subluxation analysis via x-ray as performed by a large percentage of practicing chiropractors.
- There are two Internal and five External Reviews that are being performed to improve the PCCRP guidelines.
- We need ALL Chiropractic Clinicians to evaluate the PCCRP X-ray guidelines and complete the survey. Without a large number of completed surveys from Practicing Chiropractors, these guidelines will not have great impact.
- The PCCRP committee did their part and now it's time for

Practicing Chiropractors to assist by completing the survey.

THE REVIEW OF THIS DOCUMENT IS CRITICAL. Please go to www.PCCRP.org and review the document and complete the online survey. Your help can make the difference we need to protect your right to utilize X-Ray in your clinic.

International Symposium Attracts Chiropractors From 21 Countries

He'll be back! ICA's Symposium on Natural Fitness for 2007 includes a personal presentation by **Arnold Schwarzenegger**, Governor of California, himself! The 15th Annual ICA Symposium on Natural Fitness is presenting a multi-faceted anniversary program, featuring a quality lineup of exciting, star-packed, landmark presentations that has made it the highlight of the chiropractic calendar for over the past decade. Mark your calendars for March 2-4, 2007 and come to our gala program at The Columbus Renaissance Hotel in Columbus, Ohio for a full and fantastic weekend of powerful presenters, fitness stars, champion athletes, and innovative, practical chiropractic continuing education offerings. There's no other program on exercise, sports, and chiropractic like the ICA Symposium on Natural Fitness, and your registration includes entry to events at the largest fitness festival in the world – the Arnold Sports Festival – that weekend in Columbus!

The 15th Anniversary Symposium continuing education program is co-sponsored through Life Chiropractic College West and features a range of distinguished faculty presenters dedicated to exercise, fitness training, performance enhancement, and athletic competition in the context of chiropractic care. Practical programs in fitness and sports chiropractic will feature an exciting sequence of dynamic presentations, sports case-management scenarios and how-to demonstrations which have made the Symposium such a powerful educational event each year. Invited speakers this year include **Dr. Tom Deters, Dr. James Chestnut, Dr. Ken Kinakin, Dr. Pete Gratale, Dr. Solomon Cogan, and Dr. Jack Barnathan**. In addition, California's Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger will join us again to make his personal presentation. A vigorous advocate of chiropractic care for people of all ages and holding an honorary chiropractic degree from Cleveland Chiropractic College, Gov. Schwarzenegger will personally speak about his own experience with chiropractic, crediting the care he received throughout the years for his success in bodybuilding and for his ability to maintain such a rigorous filmmaking, travel and public service schedule through the years.

Please visit the Symposium InfoSite at <http://www.chiropractic.org/symposium/> for more highlights on program offerings, schedule details and faculty information, and registration forms!

Chiropractors From 21 Countries Drawn to International Program

ICA's 4th International Symposium on the Philosophy, Art and Science of Chiropractic, held October 6-8, 2006 in Madrid, Spain, was attended by doctors from 21 different countries. The educational portion of the conference included topics ranging from neurology to philosophy.

A series of research papers were presented in addition to lectures. The award for the best complete paper submitted was awarded to **Dr. Christopher Colloca** for his paper on "Altered spinal motion patterns and neurophysiological responses associated with intervertebral disc degeneration during chiropractic adjustments."

The conference ended with a banquet with live entertainment, and then the guests took to the floor dancing and socializing. "It was wonderful to see doctors from different countries communicating with one another and having fun together," said ICA President **Dr. John K. Maltby**.

ICA Members Establish Clinic in China's Sichuan Province

The Zigong No. 1 People's Hospital, located in the southwest of Sichuan Province in China, has established a chiropractic clinic, helping growing numbers of patients to better health through chiropractic. The program grew out of numerous goodwill missions to Zigong initiated by ICA's Central Regional Director **Dr. Corey Rodnick**, upon invitation by his

patient **Carl Chow**.

The clinic is coordinated through the medical community and health officials of Zigong. **Dr. Linda Atkinson** was the first doctor of chiropractic to offer her services at the Zigong Hospital, moving from the U.S. to China in the winter of 2005 to provide chiropractic care to patients through the clinic.

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Congress Stuck on Coding Issue

The House and Senate adjourned before resolving their differences on health information technology bills passed earlier by both chambers. The Health Information Technology Promotion Act (H.R.4157) was approved by the House on July 27, while the Wired for Health Care Quality Act (S. 1418) was approved by the Senate on November 18, 2005. Of specific relevance to the chiropractic profession was a provision in the House bill — section 203, which mandates implementation of the new ICD-10 coding system no later than Oct. 1, 2010. A number of groups, including the ACA, believe the 2010 implementation date is too soon, and have urged Congress to support a date no sooner than Oct. 1, 2012 in the final bill. This provision is not included in the Senate bill.

Conversion to ICD-10 is significant and will impact chiropractic offices. The current ICD-9 code set has 24,000 codes in a five-digit numeric series. The new proposed ICD-10 code set will be much more complex, with more than 200,000 codes in an alpha-numeric seven-digit series. Because of this, the ACA and others have asked that providers are given two additional years beyond the date in H.R. 4157 for an Oct. 1, 2012 date to be included.

However, negotiations between the House and Senate stalled over the last several months. Conferees remained deadlocked as they continued to argue about various other provisions in the bill. This means that a new bill will have to be introduced next year. Be assured, ACA will continue to demand that any implementation of the

ICD-10 coding system be done on a time frame that is realistic and fair to the chiropractic community.

Don't Miss the 2007 National Chiropractic Legislative Conference!

Information concerning the upcoming 2007 ACA National Chiropractic Legislative Conference (NCLC) site is now online at http://www.acatoday.com/content_css.cfm?CID=2060! Be sure to check the site often, as ACA will be updating it on a regular basis. The 33rd annual Conference (March 21-24) features in-depth discussion and up-to-the-minute analysis on legislative issues affecting doctors of chiropractic and their patients. You will also hear from some of today's top political personalities. At past meetings, attendees heard from **Sen. Chuck Grassley, former Sen. Tom Daschle, and former HHS chief Tommy Thompson**. Speakers invited for the 2007 NCLC include **Sen. Barack Obama, Sen. Tom Harkin, and House Ways and Means chair Charles Rangel**.

NCLC 2007 will be held at the L'Enfant Plaza hotel which is one of the Capital's most prestigious hotel addresses. Centrally located, the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel is within walking distance of the Smithsonian Castle and only steps from the Air and Space Museum, the World War II Memorial and the Washington Mall.

Have YOU Been Receiving MCA Update?

The Maryland Chiropractic Association has been distributing *MCA Update*, the association's e-mail newsletter for well over a year. Have you been receiving a copy in your email? An additional benefit of membership in MCA, this e-newsletter provides members with the latest news concerning chiropractic in Maryland.

If you did not receive MCA Update in your email during December, please call MCA headquarters at 410-625-1155 to confirm that we have your correct email address on file.

The *MCA Update* is distributed to members the first week of every even month (February, April, June, August, October, and December) so members can stay abreast of the latest news concerning legislative action, MCA's education offerings, etc. during months when the *MCA Journal* is not mailed.

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Chiropractic Alert

MCA joins Maryland Health Provider Coalition; Your Help is Needed for 2007 General Assembly

Paul Henry, DC, *MCA Legislative Chair*

MCA joins Maryland Health Provider Coalition to Develop an Assignment of Benefits Law in Maryland

Maryland's Health Provider Coalition is currently reviewing 17 state statutes to develop a comprehensive assignment law to protect provider reimbursements and to honor direct payment to the provider and not the patient or the patient's representative. We anticipate introduction of legislature in '07.

MD General Assembly Convenes in January

The 2006 midterm election is over and MCA is asking its membership for a list of General Assembly members, both existing and newly elected, with whom a member has a personal relationship. We all know that contracts in Annapolis are vital to MCA's activities before the General Assembly, so please submit any and all information to MCA Executive Director **Tom Shaner, CAE** at 720 Light Street, Baltimore, MD 21230 or call **Joel R. Kruh**, MCA general counsel at 410-685-6626.

Legal Roundup

Nasseri v. GEICO General Insurance

A cab driver is insured under his personal insurance policy for injuries resulting from an accident between a cab and another

car even if the cab has no personal injury protection for the cab driver. Maryland's Court of Appeals ruled that a taxicab exclusion under the current PIP law was invalid as the legislature never established such an exclusion.

Design Kitchen & Bath vs. Lagos

An undocumented alien injured in the course of his employment may receive benefits under Maryland's Workers' Compensation laws. The defense argued that Lagos' status as an illegal and undocumented worker prohibited legal employment and prohibited recovery under workers' compensation laws. The Court of Appeals ruled that undocumented aliens are entitled to receive benefits under workers' compensation law because this remedy is the exclusion remedy for all workers injured on the job and in the course of employment.

Elliott v Patterson

A chiropractor, licensed to practice physical therapy and chiropractic, rendered physical therapy treatments to a plaintiff injured in a car accident. His opinion that the injury was the cause of the condition and that the plaintiff sustained a 15% permanent partial disability of the neck *was admissible*.

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OVER 150 MILLION HOUSEHOLDS TO VIEW CHIROPRACTIC MESSAGE

CARMICHAEL, CA -- In support of its mission to provide positive press for the chiropractic profession, the Foundation for Chiropractic Progress is excited to announce that a testimonial on the benefits of chiropractic will air on the Fox Network in January 2007.

More than 150 million households will have the opportunity to see **Sarah Harding**, Ms. Fitness USA 2006, share a message about how chiropractic has allowed her to maintain an active lifestyle.

"We believe that as the reigning Ms. Fitness USA, Sarah will have a tremendous impact on the viewing audience," said **Kent S. Greenawalt**, president of the Foundation.

This commercial, a first for this widely successful campaign, will be seen on the Fox Network during the Ms. Fitness USA contest during the weekend of January 6th and 7th. It will also air during the contests' reruns including a national viewing on January 15, 2007.

Further information concerning the foundation is available online at www.foundation4cp.com.

LOGAN COLLEGE RECEIVES FEDERAL GRANT

CHESTERFIELD, MO-- Rodger Tepe, PhD, dean of research and development at Logan College of Chiropractic, is pleased to announce that Logan has been awarded a \$234,000 grant by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to fund Logan's Musculoskeletal and Obstetric Management Study (MOMS). Since 1998, internal funding from Logan College has been supporting this project, resulting in a successful and on-going collaboration between Logan College of Chiropractic and Washington University School of Medicine's clinics at Barnes-Jewish and Missouri Baptist hospitals. Under the direction of **Dr. Clayton Skaggs**, MOMS has developed solid interdisciplinary relationships among chiropractic physicians, medical physicians and nurses in hospital-based clinic settings serving the health care needs of pregnant women in the St. Louis community.

Dr. Tepe noted that this is the first federal grant awarded to the research department at Logan College. Such prestigious HRSA grants require years of planning and successful execution on multiple levels. "Logan's President, **Dr. George A. Goodman**, supported this project from its beginning and provided the commitment and resources to bring MOMS to a stage of maturity where federal funding was realistic," said Dr. Tepe. "The grant has a

non-competitive renewal over three years, totaling \$750,000."

Dr. Tepe added, "All of this research is motivated by a single purpose – to help identify and provide solutions for musculoskeletal problems in pregnant women. We believe the MOMS project is a step in this direction, a step in which an interdisciplinary team (including chiropractic and medical physicians) works together to treat and prevent pregnancy-related musculoskeletal pain."

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Associate Wanted — Baltimore County, Parkville/Carney area. Must have Maryland license with PT privileges. 25-year old family practice. Great opportunity. Potential for partnership or buy out. Salary, plus office pays 100% health insurance, malpractice, retirement plan and disability. Leave message on my home phone, 410-484-6718 or fax resume to 410-602-0588, or email drgdc@comcast.net. (3/07)

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