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Presidential Message

Dear colleagues and clinic owners:

The Board of Examiners is completing one of the most challenging years I have had the opportunity to participate in during the 15 years that I have been fortunate to serve on the board. Our new normal for the present has not been easy but we have adapted to the challenges it has presented to us. We have two new board staff that are quickly catching on to the many diverse daily task required to help run all the behind the scenes duties for the board. The new staff members are Wendy Brewer and Danyula Flowers. I am also pleased to let you know that Amy Deavers continues to improve. Our executive director Sheila Bolton was slated to retire October 1,2020 but has delayed her retirement until we can get all new staff up to speed and hopefully get Ms. Deavers back full time.

I would like to congratulate District 4 board member Dr. Renee Philpot Bowen on her reelection to the Board. Our new members last year Dr. Matt Youngblood and Dr. Philpot-Bowen have done an excellent job in light of the unique circumstances this past year has posed for the board.

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2020-21 NON RENEW LIST

Please see the website for a list of licensees who did not complete the renewal process. If your name is on the list please contact the Board or see page 2 immediately regarding Reinstatement.

If you are on the list and continue to practice after January 1st you are practicing with a suspended license and are in violation of the Alabama Chiropractic Practice Act and the Chiropractic Rules and Regulations.



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Congratulations to Those licensed Since October 2020

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REINSTATEMENT of LICENSE

If your license went into a suspended status click the link below to begin the Reinstatement process. You will be contacted regarding additional requirements.

Reinstatement Application

Presidential Message Continued:

The Board of Examiners completed our sunset audit with only one issue of concern. The auditors determined the code language did not have specific information regarding fees we charge third party vendors and we have addressed this with the required legislation to address cost recovery fees. This should allow us to continue with the same renewal fees for licensees without any increase at this time. Representative Randy Wood and Senator Linda Coleman-Madison respectively have graciously offered to sponsor this legislation for the board in the upcoming session.

The board looks forward to hopefully returning to more normal operations in the upcoming year. The board will continue to address concerns that this pandemic hands us in as timely a manner as possible.

I hope everyone had a happy holiday season and an even better new year.

Sincerely, Brian Wells, DC President ASBCE

Board Quarterly Performance Report

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Applications Sent	14
Transcripts Processed	90
New License Issued	4
License Verifications	288
Complaints Received	2
Disciplinary Hearings	1
Outgoing Correspondence	2887
Continuing Education Reviewed	72

ACA's Support of the ABIM'S Choosing Wisely Initiative

The ASBCE has fielded many questions and concerns over the recent past concerning the ACA's support of the American Board of Internal Medicine Foundation's (ABIM) "Choosing Wisely" initiative (https://www.choosingwisely.org/). This initiative began in 2012 by the ABIM to create a national dialogue on avoiding unnecessary medical tests, procedures and treatment protocols. The aim was to move towards these processes being supported by evidence, non duplicative of tests, protocols, or procedures, and that they be safe and necessary.

The ABIM asked national organizations representing medical specialists, to identify tests or procedures commonly used in their field whose necessity should be questioned and discussed.

To date roughly one hundred medical specialty societies and associations, including the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) and the American Physical Therapy Association have participated resulting in a list of "Things providers and Patients Should Question". The full text of the ACA's contribution can be found at: http://www.acatoday.org/Portals/60/Choosing%20Wisely/ ACA-Choosing- Wisely-List_ 2019 .pdf.

While the ASBCE encourages licensees to read the ACA's Choosing Wisely recommendations, we recognize possible shortcomings of this document- First and foremost, the ASBCE relies on the education requirements established by the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE) and carried out by CCE accredited colleges, universities and programs. Furthermore, the ASBCE has concerns that the ACA didn't consult or ask their own Council on Diagnostic Imaging (CDI) and the CDI's subordinate organization of the American Chiropractic College of Radiology (ACCR) for their input as reported in the September 2018 issue of Dynamic Chiropractic. In this article the ACA's own CDI member, Terry R. Yochum DC, DACBR; Fellow, ACCR, stated that this lack of non engagement with this group of content experts for input on the "Choosing Wisely" project "was a significant oversight" (Dynamic Chiropractic, Volume 36, number 9; September, 2018).

The ASBCE additionally concurs with the ICA's statement published September 27, 2017 that radiographic studies are standard of practice in chiropractic. While the" Choosing Wisely" document may be applicable in the medical profession where a medical physician may proceed to prescribe or recommend pharmaceuticals, they are not in line with chiropractic standards of practice. Radiographic studies are a standard clinical tool providing objective clinical evidence for the chiropractor and are a critical component of most chiropractic techniques taught in CCE accredited colleges, universities, and programs.

The Alabama State Board of Chiropractic Examiners supports evidence based practice but realizes that CCE accredited education and practitioner experience should take precedence. Responsible patient care and evidence based practice rely on three pillars: the chiropractic physician's experience, patient preferences, as well as the available scientific evidence. The decision to utilize, or not utilize any clinical tool are the sole responsibility of shared decision making between the doctor and patient. Licensees are reminded that clinical decision making should be made independent to whether or not a third party payer covers any procedure that is clinically necessary.

Board Members Hours in Service

Board Members actually spend many hours of unpaid time working on Board business. There are multiple phone calls, checking email from the Board office, reviewing complaints, and reviewing packets sent from the Board office. Below is a breakdown of just an estimate of their time spent working for you as a Board Member.

Required Annual Board member training 8 hours + 1/2 hour per Board packet = 24 +minimum 2 hours AL Law presentation participation = 2 + 2=4 hours per Board meeting x 6 = 12 - 24 attend one 2 day conference 6x2 = 12 ** 58 hours minimum in service.

2021-22 Renewal Reminder

The old hours rule is now in effect. The rule that allowed for 16 online hours was only for the 2020-21 Renewal. Please send any continuing education credits you have received to the Board Office, (email wendy.brewer@chiro.alabama.gov or fax 205-755-0081)

You should have purchased your Alabama Section 136 Business (privilege) License for the year 2020-21. Please email a copy to wendy.brewer@chiro.alabama.gov. Please be sure the Business License is the one that expires September 30, 2021.

Check Your Continuing Ed Credits on the Website

It's easy to look up the continuing education hours the Board has on file for the past renewal. In early January this will change to the current renewal cycle.

On the Board's Home Page (www.chiro.alabama.gov) click on 'Online Services'

Then click 'Check Continuing Education Hours on File' and log in with your license number and the last 4 digits of your social security number. You will then see a list of the CCE the Board has on file. Please fax any other certificates you have that are not reflected to 205-755-0081 or email to ashley.stewart@chiro.alabama.gov.

Note: When you submit hours they will not be reflected on the website on the same day.

Online Seminars

The seminars listed below have been approved by the Alabama Board for CCE

Carrick Institute offers the following ONLINE course. For information contact Rebecca Robillard at (321) 275-0958..

1."MODULE SYNP2O: SYNAPSE SESSIONS"

Chiro Credit offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Paul Powers at 1-860-463-9003.

- 1. "ACCREDITED TRAINING FOR NATIONAL REGISTRY OF CERTIFIED MEDICAL EXAMINERS 301-304"
- "ALABAMA CHIROPRACTIC LAW 201"
- 3."ALABAMA CHIROPRACTIC LAW 201-202"
- 4."BIOMECHANICS 225-228"
- 5."DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING 201-204"
- 6."FAA BASICMED PHYSICIAN TRAINING"
- 7."LASER 207'
- 8."NUTRITION 157-158"
- 9."PAIN 200"
- 10."PHYSCIAL THERAPY 101"
- 11."PHYSICAL DIAGNOSIS 173-175"

<u>Cleveland University-Kansas City</u> offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Christina Brillante at 1-631-241-6717.

- 1."EVALUATION AND MANAGEMENT"
- 2."INTERPROFESSIONAL HOSPITAL BASED SPINE CARE"
- 3."PATHOBIOMECHANICS AND DOCUMENTATION ONLINE"
- 4."PERSONAL INJURY BOOTCAMP"
- 5."PRIMARY SPINE CARE"
- 6."PRIMARY SPINE CARE 10: CHIROPRACTIC SPINE MANAGEMENT ONLINE"
- 7."SPINAL DISC AND LIGAMENTS NEUROLOGY AND PATHOLOGY
- 8."SPINAL TRAUMA PATHOLOGY"
- 9."TESTIFYING, DOCUMENTATION & ETHICAL MEDICAL-LEGAL RELA-TIONSHIPS
- 10."THE NEUROLOGY OF CHIROPRACTIC CARE AND LIGAMENT PA-THOLOGY FROM TRUMA"
- 11."CHIRO AS 1ST OPTION FOR THE SPINE: A LITERATURE-BASED STANDARD: PRIMARY SPINE 9"
- 12."MILD TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY -CONCUSSION"
- 13."MRI SPINE CREDENTIALING"
- 14."PATIENT INTAKE, HISTORY AND EXAMINATION"
- 15."PRIMARY SPINE CARE 7: SPINAL BIOMECHANICAL PATHOLOGY & COLLABORATIVE"
- 16."CASE MANAGEMENT, SPINAL MRI AND DOCUMENTATION" 17."CONCUSSION AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY"
- 18."ELECTRODIAGNOSTICS: ELECTRONYOGRAM/NERVE CONDUTION VELOCITY (EMG/NCV) DIAGNOSIS"
- 19."EXTREMITY MRI & X-RAY INTERPRETATION"
- 20."MRI SPINE INTERPRETATION BASICS

Core Exercise Solutions LLC offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Sarah Duvall at (843) 729-8842.

1."ACTIVATE YOUR ATHLETE'S POTENTIAL WITH LASER THERAPY

Data Trace Publishing offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Rachel Miller at 1-410-494-4994.

- 1."D.C. TRACTS VOLUME 31 ISSUE 1: TEMPOROMANDIBULAR JOINT DYSFUNCTION'
- 2."D.C. TRACTS VOLUME 31 ISSUE 2: THORACIC SPINE"

<u>**DCHours.com**</u> offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Debbie Brendler at 1-800-811-0269 or click <u>DChours.com</u>

- 1."ACTICE CARE OF THE LUMBAR SPINE FOR THE HEALTHCARE PRO-VIDER"
- 2."ANKLE, LEG AND FOOT"
- 3."BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASE"
- 4."G3: GLUTEN, GUT, GENOMICS-NUTRITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR OPTIMIZED HEALTH OUTCOME"
- 5."HUMAN TRAFFICKING"
- 6."PAIN MANAGEMENT IN CHIROPRACTIC PRACTICE"

- 7."PROBIOTICS: TODAY'S RESEARCH"
- 8."RECOGNIZING SKIN CONDITIONS'
- 9."SORTING OUT THE CONFUSION IN THE TREATMENT OF LOW BACK PAIN"

<u>DC Online</u> offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Karen Moreau at 712-260-2507 or click <u>DC Online</u>

- 1."ALABAMA RULES AND REGULATION: 4 HOUR"
- 2."ALABAMA RULES AND REGULATIONS: 2 HOUR"
- 3."CASE BASED APPROACH TO SOFT TISSUE INJURY"
- 4."PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF THE KNEE"

ICPA offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Siobhan Nield at (610) 565-2360.

- 1."DEVELOPMENTAL NEUROBIOLOGY"
- 2."RESEARCH: EVIDENCE-INFORMED PRACTICE (ONLINE)"

Life University offers the following ONLINE course. For information contact Shay Coffey at (770) 426-2753.

1."PROFESSIONAL BOUNDARIES AND ETHICS"

<u>Life West</u> offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Laurie Isenberg at (510) 780-4508.

- 1."ACCURATE DIAGNOSIS OF HIP PAIN"
- 2."ACCURATE DIAGNOSIS OF LOW BACK PAIN"
- 3."ACCURATE DIAGNOSIS OF NECK PAIN"
- 4."CHIROPRACTIC, COLIC AND THE MICROBIOME OF CHILDREN"
- 5."ETHICAL NAVIGATION OF ACUTE CARE AND WELLNESS CARE GUIDE-LINES'
- ${\bf 6.} \hbox{``FOSTERING OPTIMAL NEURODEVELOPMENT THROUGH CHIROPRACTIC:}\\$ PRIMITIVE & POSTURAL REFLEXES'
- "MICROBIOME KEYNOTES SYMPOSIUM (MICROBIOMEKEYNOTES.COM)"
- 8."SCIENCE OF YES: PATIENT CENTERED CARE AND THE NEUROSCIENCE OF COMMUNICATIONS"
- 9."TIES THAT BIND: THE ABC'S OF TETHERED ORAL TISSUES"

National University offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Jenna Glenn at 1-630-889-6622.

- 1."CANCER SUPPORT AND PREVENTION"
- 2."FMT ADVANCED"
- 3."FMT BASIC"
- 4."FMT GERIATRICS'
- 5."FMT MOVEMENT SPECIALIST"
 6."FMT MOVEMENT SPECIALIST ADVANCED"
- 7."FMT PEDIATRICS"
- 8."FMT ROCKFLOSS'
- 9."FMT ROCKPODS'
- 10."FOUNDATIONS OF FUNCTIONAL MEDICINE"
- 11."FUNCTIONAL DIAGNOSTIC MEDICINE TRAINING PROGRAM: MODULE 3"

<u>Palmer</u> offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Elaina Hammond at 563-258-3229.

- 1."ACTIVATOR METHODS ONLINE: BASIC SCAN"
- 2."ACTIVATOR METHODS ONLINE: LOWER EXTREMITIES"
- 3."ACTIVATOR METHODS ONLINE: UPPER EXTREMITIES"

Northwestern offers the following ONLINE course. For information contact Kathy Tainter at (952) 885-5446.

1."APPLYING FUNCTIONAL MEDICINE IN CLINICAL PRACTICE"

Sherman offers the following ONLINE course. For information contact Dr Jillian Farrell at (864) 578-8770.

1."PEDIATRIC EXAMINATION BOOT CAMP"

University of Bridgeport offers the following ONLINE courses. For information contact Eileen Herlihy-Santiago at (203) 576-4880.

1."POSTURE, REHAB, & MOTOR CONTRL EXERCISE (MCE)"

Upcoming Seminars

The seminars listed below have been approved by the Alabama Board for renewal CCE

CSA presents the following course. For information Louis Poe, DC at 205-967-4444.

"Management of Common Clinical Syndrome" 12 hours January 27-28 in Birmingham, AL.

FCA presents the following course. For information contact Camille Moore at 407-654-3225.

"FCA NW Regional Convention and Exposition 2021" 36 hours February 5-8 in Panama City Beach, FL.

ICPA presents the following courses. For information contact Siobhan Nield at 610-565-2360.

"Perinatal Health: Epigenetics and Parental Nutrition" 12 hours February 20-21 in Daytona, FL.

National University presents the following courses. For information contact Jenna Glenn at 630-889-6622.

"FMT Movement Specialist Parts 1 & 2" 12 hours January 18-19 in West Palm Beach, FL.

Sherman presents the following courses. For information contact Jillian Farrell, DC at 864-578-8770.

"Flordia Chiropractic Society-Ft Walton Beach" 18 hours February 5-6 in Ft Walton Beach, FL

"Flordia Chiropractic Society-Dania Beach" 16 hours March 6-8 in Dania Beach, FL.

Texas Chiropractic presents the following course. For information contact Lisett Fernandez 281-998-5711.

"Nutritional Protocols for Everyday Living: "Creating Your Dream Practice" 8 hours January 18 in Embassy Suites Kennesaw, GA.

Chiropractors Eligible for COVID-19 Vaccine

If providers who receive vaccine allotments have already immunized the very high-risk population and have adequately reached or attempted to reach those in the very high-risk category, additional group members in Phase 1a can also be immunized. Once additional providers have their processes in place for COVID-19 vaccine administration, information will be posted on the ADPH website so that persons may contact providers and make appointments if they meet the criteria.

As we understand it, persons may contact the providers and make appointments to receive the vaccine, as stated. The announcements will address what is needed to prove eligibility. That is the best information we have at this time. The Board encourages you all to watch for the news releases and consult the dashboards on the ADPH website.



2021 State Holidays

Dates to Calendar

Board meetings:

January 8, 2021 Clanton Board Office

February 5, 2021 Clanton Board Office

March 12, 2021 Clanton Board Office

The Board Office will be closed on the following:

New Year's Day January 1

Robert E. Lee/ January 18

Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday

Washington/Jefferson's Birthday February 15

OUR MISSION

To regulate and license doctors of chiropractic in order to protect the people of Alabama.

OUR VISION

To ensure the people of Alabama will receive professional, ethical and quality care in utilizing chiropractic services to maximize health benefits.

OUR VALUES

Excellence, integrity, communication and ethics.

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