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### Dear colleagues and clinic owners:

The board staff have been working diligently this renewal cycle to improve the online renewal process. The new online renewal changes should make the process easier for the licensee and will allow the licensee to print their own renewal cards. Renewal cards will not be mailed from the Board office. The licensee will also have the ability to log on and reprint their cards free of charge if necessary. Previously if a new card was required the doctor would have to contact the board and wait for a copy of the card to be faxed to them.

We also moved the jurisprudence exam online this year. This has greatly enhanced the ability to take the exam as soon as the licensee's paperwork is complete. Prior to this candidates for licensure would potentially

have to wait weeks or months to take the exam depending on the completion of their paperwork and the quarterly exams given at the Board office.

We are also in the planning stages with Alabama Interactive to create accessible databases so the licensee may search for an approved seminar, may log in and check continuing education hours on file and the business license year on file to further improve the renewal process.

I am happy to report that complaints for the past fiscal year are approximately 50% fewer than the previous year, a decrease from 30 to 16 compared to the prior twelve (12) months. The board continues to see complaints regarding inappropriate contact with patients or sexual misconduct as it relates to

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## NON RENEW LIST

**Please see the website for a list of licensees who have not completed the renewal process.**

**If your name is on the list please contact the Board immediately regarding license renewal.**

# Online Seminars

**Alabama State Chiropractic Association** offers the following ONLINE courses through December 2012. For information contact Jordan Tatum at 1-334-262-2228.

1. "Billing Codes & Ethics"
2. "Diagnosis & Clinical Issues"
3. "Head Pain Series 1"
4. "Head Pain Series 2"
5. "Head Pain Series 3"
6. "Personal Injury Practice Series 1"
7. "Personal Injury Practice Series 2"
8. "Radiology & Diagnostic Imaging Series 1"
9. "Radiology & Diagnostic Imaging Series 2"
10. "Risk Management"
11. "Whiplash Injury Series 1"
12. "Whiplash Injury Series 2"
13. "Whiplash Injury Series 3"

**CE 4 You** offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2012. For information contact Richard Schmitt at 1-301-717-7178.

1. "AIDS and Infectious Disease"
2. "Coding & Documentation in Practice"
3. "Extremity Adjusting"
4. "Faulty Movement Patterns: Assessment/ Rehabilitation / Athletic Development"
5. "Low Tech Rehab in Whiplash"
6. "Radiology in Practice"
7. "Spinal Trauma"

**CE 4 You** offers the following ONLINE courses until August 2013. For information contact Richard Schmitt at 1-301-717-7178.

1. "Integrative Myofascial Release"
2. "The Perinatal and Pediatric Practice"

**Data Trace Publishing Company** offers the following ONLINE course until December 2012. For information contact Jeannie Sarda, at 1-410-494-4994.

1. "D.C. Tracts 2012 (Volume 24) Diagnostic Imaging Issue 1"

**DCHours.com** offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2012. For information contact Debbie Brendler, at 1-800-811-0269.

1. "Alabama Board Rules & Regulations"
2. "Basic Care Management"
3. "Passive Care Modalities Part 1"
4. "Passive Care Modalities Part 2"
5. "Radiculopathy: Patient Assessment"
6. "Spinal Decompression"
7. "Spinal Pain Syndromes"

**DC Online** offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2012. For information contact William Mo-

reau, D.C. at 1-712-260-2507.

1. "Active Care of the Lumbar Spine"
2. "Alabama Board Rules & Regulations"
3. "Assessment & Management of the Hip for the Health Care Provider"
4. "Bloodborne Pathogens"
5. "Chiropractic & Soft Tissue Care"
6. "Immunization, Making Informed Choices"
7. "Physical Assessment & Management of the Knee"
8. "Professional Boundaries & Chiropractic"
9. "Recognizing Skin Conditions"
10. "Risk Management"
11. "Segmental Drop Adjusting"
12. "Special Imaging for the Chiropractic Patient"
13. "Special Populations in Chiropractic: The Osteoporotic Patient"
14. "Spine in Sport"

**Life University** offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2012. For information contact Amber Lewis at 1-770-426-2753.

1. "Billing Codes & Ethics"
2. "Diagnosis & Clinical Issues Group"
3. "Head Pain Series"
4. "Personal Injury Practice Series"
5. "Radiology & Diagnostic Imaging"
6. "Risk Management Group"
7. "Sports Injuries: Shoulder Disease & Injuries"
8. "Sports Injuries: Sport Specific Rehab"
9. "Sports Injuries: Foot & Ankle Injuries"
10. "The Lower Extremity Trauma Series"
11. "Upper Extremity Trauma Series"
12. "Whiplash Injury Series"

**Logan College of Chiropractic** offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2012. For information contact Ralph Barrale, D.C. at 1-800-842-3234.

1. "OUM 2012 Focus on Fundamentals (Risk Management)"
2. "Posture Practice Online 2012"

**New York Chiropractic College** offers the following ONLINE courses until May 2013. For information contact Cynthia Logatto at 1-516-796-5923.

1. "Master of Science Human Anatomy, Physiology: Urinary System, Acid / Base Balance Repro"
2. "Master Science Human Anatomy & Physiology Inst: Integumentary, Skeletal, \* Muscular System"

**Palmer College of Chiropractic** offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2012. For information contact Kati Sproston at 1-563-884-5715.

1. "Activator Methods Track 1"

2. "Basic Concepts of Biomechanics"
3. "Chiropractic Evaluation"
4. "Clinical Imaging (6)"
5. "Documentation 3"
6. "Documentation 4"
7. "Electrodiagnostics Overview"
8. "Evidence-Informed Practice / Case Writing"
9. "Healthy Aging"
10. "Laboratory Analysis"
11. "Neurological Assessment & Interpretation"
12. "Orthopedic Assessment & Interpretation"
13. "OSHA"
14. "Physiological Therapeutics"
15. "Professional Boundaries/Ethics"
16. "Technique Theories / Overview"

**Parker University** offers the following ONLINE courses until March 2013. For information contact Pam Hatfield at 1-800-266-4723.

1. "Boundaries with Patients: Confidentiality and Sexual Misconduct"
2. "Comprehensive Guide to Treating the Female Patient"
3. "Digital Radiography Decision Making"
4. "Introduction to MRI"
5. "Nutritional Consideration for Patients with Osteoporosis"
6. "Radiology Search and Rescue"
7. "Scoliosis 2012"
8. "SI Joint Pain — Diagnosis and Management"
9. "Topics in Nutrition"
10. "X-ray Quality and Safety 2012"

**Southern California University of Health Sciences** offers the following ONLINE course until December 2012: For information contact Yvonne Rabago at 1-562-902-3373.

1. "Functional Diagnostic Medicine Training Program 2012"

**Texas Chiropractic College** offers the following ONLINE courses until November 2012. For information contact Cathy Evans, at 1-281-998-6028.

1. "Chiropractic Treatment of Auto Accident Injuries"
2. "Chiropractic Treatment of Golf Injuries"
3. "Exercise Strength & Conditioning"
4. "Fundamentals of Clinical Nutrition"
5. "Pain Management"
6. "Risk management Group"
6. "Weight Loss Management: Fitness & Nutrition"
7. "Whiplash Injury Series"

**University of Bridgeport College of Chiropractic** offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2012: For information contact Paul Powers, D.C. at 1-860-463-9003.

1. "Chirocredit.com Biomechanics"
2. "Chirocredit.com Chiropractic & Pregnancy"
3. "Chirocredit.com Coding & Documentation"
4. "Chirocredit.com Evidence Based Outcomes"
5. "Chirocredit.com Nutrition"
6. "Chirocredit.com Physical Therapy"
7. "Chirocredit.com Research Trends"
8. "Chirocredit.com Soft Tissue Injuries"
9. "Chirocredit.com X-ray"

## Condolences

Dr. Lou Ann Hedden. Dr. Hedden graduated Palmer Chiropractic College in 1949 and received her Alabama license in 2009. She lived and practiced in Hoover, AL.

The Board and staff send condolences to the family and friends of Dr. Hedden.

# Upcoming Seminars

Seminars listed have been approved by the Alabama Board for CCE

**Cleveland Chiropractic College** presents the following course: For information contact Sarah Hilliard at 1-800-969-2701.

"CCKKC Homecoming 2012 / KCA Fall Convention 2012" 20 hours October 12-14 in Overland Park, KS.

**East Tennessee Chiropractic Association & Posture** presents the following courses: For information contact James Schroder, DC. at 1-423-476-4751.

"Masters Course in Lower Extremity Adjusting" 12 hours each: December 1 in Memphis, TN, December 6 in Raleigh, NC, December 8 in Charlotte, NC, December 15 in Knoxville, TN, December 20 in Ashville, NC, and December 22 in Nashville, TN.

"Masters Course in Upper Extremity Adjusting" 12 hours each: October 27 in Asheville, SC, November 2 in Raleigh, NC, November 10 in Memphis, TN, November 15 in Nashville, TN, November 17 in Knoxville, TN, November 29 in Knoxville, TN, and December 13 in Nashville, TN.

**Life University** presents the following course: For information contact Amber Lewis. at 1-770-426-2753.

"CCEP Module VII Global Extremity Assessment" 15 hours November 17-18 in Marietta, GA.

**Logan College of Chiropractic** presents the following courses: For information contact Ralph Barrale, DC at 1-800-842-3234.

"Loomis Institute of Enzyme Nutrition Session 2" 22 hours October 5-7 in Irving, TX.

"2012 Prosport 21st Annual Hands on Workshop" 21 hours November 29 and December 2 in Las Vegas, NV.

"Advanced Training in C Class IV Laser Therapy" 8 hours October 27 and December 8 in Franklin, TN.

"Three Paradigms of Chiropractic Care" 12 hours November 3-4 in Nashville, TN.

**Mississippi Chiropractic Association** presents the following course: For information contact Vickie M. Webb at 1-601-276-3336.

"Magnificent Seven Extremity Adjusting" 12 hours October 13-14 in Flowood, MS.

**National University of Health Sciences** presents the following courses: For information contact Jonathan R. Soltys, D.C. at 1-630-889-6622.

"ACCA / CFS 2012 Annual Conference" 26.5 hours October 4-6 in Oakbrook Hills, IL.

"Cox Technic Seminar Part I" 12 hours October 6-7 in Philadelphia, PA.

"Cox Technic Seminar Part II" 18 hours November 16-18 in Lombard, IL.

"Foot Levelers Live 60th Anniversary Seminar" 12 hours November 17-18 in Oak Brook, IL.

"North American Spine Society 27th Annual Meeting" 26.25 hours October 24-27 in Dallas, TX.

"Restoring Gastrointestinal Equilibrium" 20 hours October 25-28 in Atlanta, GA.

"Understanding Biotransformation and Recognizing Toxicity" 19.5 hours October 25-28 in Atlanta, GA."

**New York Chiropractic College** presents the following courses: For information contact Cynthia Logatto at 1-516-796-5923 Ext. 123.

"Active Release Technique Lower Extremity" 24 hours October 4-7 in Atlanta, GA and December 6-9 in Las Vegas, NV.

"Active Release Technique Spine" 21 hours October 18-21 in San Diego, CA.

"Active Release Technique Upper Extremity" 24 hours November 15-18 in St. Louis, MO and December 13-16 in Chicago, IL.

"Acupuncture Clinical / Medical Fellowship: Session 1" 15 hours October 27-18 in Columbus, OH and November 3-4 in Phoenix, AZ.

"ANJC Fall Convention" 11 hours October 27-28 in East Brunswick, NJ.

"Dynamic Spine Stabilization and Corrective Exercise & Stress to Human Skeleton" 12 hours December 1-2 in Newark, NJ.

**Northwestern Health Sciences** presents the following course: For information contact Jacklyn Sanford at 1-952-885-5446.

"Tour d'Lasers" 12 hours October 13-14 in Nashville, TN.

**Northwestern Health Sciences** presents the following course: For information contact Sara George at 1-952-885-5446.

"Advanced Clinical Mastery of the Low Level Laser" 12 hours November 3-4 in Chicago, IL.

**Palmer College of Chiropractic** presents the following courses: For information contact Katie Sproston at 1-563-884-5715.

"Activator Methods Fall 2012: Advanced" 12 hours each: October 6-7 in Chicago, IL, October 13-14 in Atlanta, GA and Dallas, TX, October 20-21 in Phoenix, AZ, October 27 - 28 in Newark, NJ, November 10-11 in Boston, MA, and December 1-2 in Orange County, FL.

"Activator Methods Fall 2012: Intermediate" 12 hours each: October 6-7 in Chicago, IL, October 13-14 in Atlanta, GA and Dallas, TX, October 20-21 in Phoenix, AZ, October 27-28 in Newark, NJ, November 10-11 in Boston, MA and December 1-2 in Orange County, FL.

"Activator Methods Fall 2012: Basic" 12 hours each: October 6-7 in Chicago, IL, October 13-14 in Atlanta, GA and Dallas, TX, October 20-21 in Phoenix, AZ, October 27-28 in Newark, NJ, November 10-11 in Boston, MA and December 1-2 in Orange County, FL.

"FCS: Vertebral Subluxation Complex" 28 hours November 10-11 in St. Petersburg, FL.

"ICA / ACA Pediatrics Conference" 20.5 hours November 9-11 in Colorado Springs, CO.

"Sarco Occipital Research Society, International Homecoming 2012" 107.5 hours October 10-14 in Omaha, NE.

**Parker University** presents the following course: For information contact Pam Hatfield at 1-800-266-4723.

"Parker University Homecoming 2012" 52 hours October 26-28 in Dallas, TX.

**Sherman College of Chiropractic** presents the following courses: For information contact Missy Sandor at 1-864-578-8770.

"Atlas Orthogonal Advanced" 12 hours each: October 20-21 in Atlanta, GA and November 10-11 in Seattle, WA.

"Korean Specific Techniques" 16 hours each: October 13-14 in Irvine, CA and November 17-18 in Atlanta, GA.

**Sherman College of Chiropractic** presents the following courses: For information contact Adam Ashcraft at 1-800-849-8771.

"2012 International Research & Philosophy Symposium" 12 hours October 20-21 in Spartanburg, SC.

"Fusion 2012 Conference" 8 hours October 12-13 in Atlanta, GA.

**Southern California University of Health Sciences** presents the following course: For information contact Yvonne Rabago at 1-562-902-3379.

"Whiplash Injury Biomechanics and Traumatology 2012 Module 4" 12 hours October 10-21 in Newport Beach, CA.

**Texas Chiropractic College** presents the following courses: For information contact Cathy Evans at 1-281-998-6028.

"Foundational Laboratory Analysis" 12 hours October 21-22 in Nashville, TN.

**Texas Chiropractic College** presents the following course: For information contact Monalisa Kellerbrew at 1-800-533-9822.

"Health Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease & Gluten Intolerance" 12 hours November 3 - 4 in Kennewick, WA.

**Turning Point Logistic Systems** presents the following courses: For information contact Angel Tribuno, D.C. at 1-706-882-2092.

"CBP 2012 Annual Convention" 18 hours October 5-7 in Scottsdale, AZ.

"CBP Cervical Spine" 12 hours each: November 19-20 in Phoenix, AZ and December 1-2 in Las Vegas, NV.

"CBP Drop Table Adjusting" 12 hours October 22-23 in Baltimore, MD.

"CBP Whiplash Injury" 12 hours October 27-28 in Orlando, FL.

"Total Solution" 36.5 hours October 24 - 28 in Florissant, CO.

**University of Bridgeport** presents the following courses: For information contact Carol Anne Nilson at 1-203-576-4880.

"Applying Lab Evaluations / Toxicity" 10.5 hours November 11-12 in Los Angeles, CA.

"Frequency Specific Seminar Core" 24 hours October 10-12 in Philadelphia, PA, October 26-28 in Los Angeles, CA and December 7-9 in Orlando, FL.

"Mastering Thyroid" 20 hours October 5 - 7 in Minneapolis, MN, October 19-21 in Boston, MA and November 9-11 in Chicago, IL.

#### *Presidential Message continued*

patient doctor interactions. All doctors should be diligent in making sure that proper informed consent is given and the procedure is described in writing as well as verbally prior to performing any technique that could be construed as invasive or inappropriate in nature. It would also be appropriate to have an assistant present during any procedure that could be misinterpreted as inappropriate touching, so as to avoid the aggravation, embarrassment and expense of defending yourself. The board does not have any mandatory informed consent policies at this time but a simple explanation goes a long way in preventing this type of complaint.

### When is a Non Licensed Owner Permit Required

We have received several calls at the Board office regarding when a Non Licensed Owner Permit is required for a clinic. Per Board **RULE 190-X-2-.17 Non Licensed Chiropractic Practice Ownership**, "A practice shall not offer or provide chiropractic services without all non licensed owners' first obtaining a permit or renewal permit from the Board."

If any person who is not an Alabama licensed DC owns any portion of your clinic, you are required to apply for and obtain a Non Licensed Owner Permit before offering any chiropractic services in the clinic. This also applies if your spouse owns any portion of your clinic. If you are not sure if you need to obtain a permit please call the Board office at 1-800-949-5838.

If you need to apply for a permit please press CTRL and click the link below to begin the application process. Note you must be connected to the internet for the link to work. A webpage will open.

[https://www.alabamainteractive.org/asbce\\_facility/welcome.action](https://www.alabamainteractive.org/asbce_facility/welcome.action)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR POSITIVE COMMENTS

Thanks for all your help for these 700+ doctors that "bother" you all the time.  
Thomas O. Morgan

I received my notification of approval as a nurse practitioner today. Hopefully, I will be up and running within the next week or two. Thank you for all of your help in this process. Please tell Mr. Ward I appreciate his input and advice during this endeavor.  
Steve Knighten

### *Congratulations to those licensed since July 2012*



**JEFFREY A. GARGUS  
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WILLIAM VICORY  
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OF HUNTSVILLE, AL  
OF MARIETTA, GA  
OF TONEY, AL**

## **URGENT REMINDER**

**The Board will no longer mail Renewal Cards. Please wait seven (7) business days after completing your online renewal then log back in to the same website and click “Print Renewal Card” to print your card.**

**We suggest you do not wait until two (2) days before the end of the month to do your renewal online and submit the required documents. You will incur late fees if we do not receive all of the documents in the Board office by the deadline.**

**We encourage you to complete your online renewal during the first half of the month to allow time for you to obtain any additional documents required for renewal and submit them to the Board office. If you fax your documentation it is not necessary to email and vice versa. We only need one copy.**

### **Disciplinary Actions**

**Brian R. Smith, DC** (Mobile, AL) Applicant — Consent Order dated August 15, 2012 assessing fines of \$1,000- guilty of violating one (1) count of §34-24-166(b).

**John C. Sparks, DC** (Birmingham, AL) License #1545 Order dated July 2, 2012 assessing fines of \$25,000.00 and costs of \$5,000- guilty of violating four (4) counts of §34-24-166 (b)(3), and guilty of two (2) counts of violating §34-24-166(b)(11). Dr. Sparks’ license to practice chiropractic is placed on probation for five (5) years.

### **NOTICE**

**The hotline number for contacting the Wellness Director, Dr. Michael Garver, has changed. The new number is 800-949-5838 ext. 223. Please use this number to report a licensee with a possible impairment due to illness, inebriation, excessive use of drugs, narcotics, alcohol, chemicals, or other substances or as a result of any physical or mental condition.**



**DATES TO CALENDAR**

The Board will meet in:  
Orange Beach, AL  
October 11-13, 2012  
Clanton, AL  
January 2013

**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.*

**2012 State Holidays**

The Board Office will be closed on the following:

<b>Columbus Day</b>	<b>October 8</b>
<b>Veterans Day</b>	<b>November 12</b>
<b>Thanksgiving</b>	<b>November 22</b>
<b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>December 25</b>

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