



EVIDENCE-INFORMED CHIROPRACTIC WORKSHOP HELD AT NBCE

Greeley, Colo.—On September 11-12, 2015, the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners convened a workshop to discuss movement towards evidence-informed curricula by chiropractic college programs in the United States and Canada. Eighteen chiropractic college representatives explored the ways that chiropractic student clinicians are using evidence-informed concepts to deliver health care safely and effectively to patients in the college clinics.

Participants included:

- Dr. Thomas Bodette – So. Calif. Univ. of Health Sciences
- Dr. Tammi Clark – Palmer College of Chiropractic, West Campus
- Dr. Michael Clusserath – Life Univ., College of Chiropractic
- Dr. Ezra Cohen – National University of Health Sciences
- Dr. Renee Devries – Northwestern Health Sciences Univ.
- Dr. Matthew Funk – Univ. of Bridgeport, College of Chiropractic
- Dr. Fiona Jarrett-Thelwell – New York Chiropractic College
- Dr. Ronald LeFebvre – Univ. of Western States
- Dr. Debbie Lindemann – Life Chiropractic College West
- Dr. Stuart McIntosh – Cleveland Chiropractic College, Kansas City
- Dr. Ali Rabatsky – Palmer College of Chiropractic, Florida
- Dr. Vincent Ricciardi – Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College
- Dr. Mike Ramcharan – Texas Chiropractic College

Dr. Robert Rowell – Palmer College of Chiropractic, Iowa

Dr. Gene Spilker – Logan University

Dr. Sarah Stephens – Sherman College of Chiropractic

Dr. Leon Tom – Parker Univ., College of Chiropractic

Dr. Jeffrey Ware – D'Youville College

Evidence-informed chiropractic, which integrates research findings into clinical decision making, has gained momentum during the past decade, and will potentially impact the practice mode of all chiropractic practitioners.

The workshop participants wrote examination questions that could be field tested by the NBCE to assess students' abilities to apply the knowledge and skills derived from classroom experience into patient care. This group of doctors also produced Part IV testing materials designed to assess student clinicians' abilities with respect to patient history taking and physical examination procedures. The materials produced may also be used for assessing competency in interpretation of advanced imaging and/or laboratory testing, clinical findings, and in diagnosis and patient management.

Headquartered in Greeley, Colo., NBCE's mission is: Ensuring professional competency through excellence in testing. Established in 1963, the NBCE develops, administers and scores legally defensible, standardized written and practical examinations for candidates seeking chiropractic licensure throughout the United States and in several foreign countries.