



## NBCE HOSTS EVIDENCE-INFORMED PRACTICE WORKSHOP

**Greeley, CO.** – The National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) hosted an Evidence-Informed Practice (EIP) Workshop on September 15-16, 2016, at its campus meeting center in Greeley, CO. Eighteen faculty and administrators participated in the workshop, representing the interests of the chiropractic degree programs in the United States and Canada. Dr. Claire Johnson, editor of the *Journal Manipulative and Physiological Therapeutics*, also attended the meeting as an observer and facilitator.

This workshop was convened by NBCE Director of Practical Testing Research and Development Dr. Paul Townsend. The workshop goals included: addressing concerns about the variation in teaching of EIP among chiropractic programs, sharing best practices in training chiropractic students in EIP, and better integrating the concepts of EIP into the NBCE's examinations.

Chief Technical Advisor for the NBCE Dr. John Hyland led a discussion on the level of knowledge and skills expected of entry level chiropractors regarding various core concepts of EIP. This resulted in a draft paper describing the measurable parameters of evidence-informed practice, which will be the basis for further dialogue on this topic.

Workshop participants also worked in teams to interact with trained standardized patients. The teams developed model cases reflecting the current status of EIP taught at chiropractic educational programs. The workshop participants recommended that the dialogue between the chiropractic programs and the NBCE continue, and that these workshops become an ongoing part of the Part IV development process.

Headquartered in Greeley, Colo., the NBCE is the international testing organization for the chiropractic profession. Established in 1963, the mission of the NBCE is to ensure professional competency through excellence in testing.