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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

You may have heard the phrase "your attitude will determine your altitude in life." For many of us having a good attitude has been a challenge over the last year. It is important for us to remember that the attitude we have is a choice. Our attitude will take us as high or as low as we choose to go. Some research has shown that attitude can have a greater effect on one's life than IQ.

I challenge each of us to make an attitude adjustment, especially now. It's not that difficult. Try to look at life - faith filled, hopeful, positive; being your best person you can be. Remember this is a choice, of course there will be challenges, negative people, the news, and many things will try to creep in and make us negative. Let us all keep our minds going in the right direction, change your attitude to see the possibilities and not the problems.

This month, besides discussing the usual insurance and practice issues at our meeting, I ask that we each share the good things we have to celebrate in our practices and lives.

In the new year our district will concentrate on practice and communication building. We are also always open to suggestions that you feel would be beneficial to our members to discuss.

I wish you all a blessed Holiday Season filled with good health.

Your President,
George Rulli, DC

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New York Bar Urges State to Consider COVID Vaccine Mandate

The bar association’s resolution fails to mention the principle of informed consent, the bedrock of ethical medicine.

By Children's Health Defense Team (reprinted with permission)

The New York State Bar Association Saturday passed a [resolution](#) urging the state to consider mandating [COVID-19](#) vaccinations if “expert medical and scientific consensus” decides it is necessary. The resolution does not provide any exemptions for religious, philosophical or personal reasons. The group recommended only medical exemptions.

According to [Law.com](#), the New York State Bar Association’s resolution had the majority support of its 277-member House of Delegates. In a statement, Mary Beth Morrissey, chair of the group’s [Health Law Section’s Task Force on COVID-19](#), said:

“The authority of the state to respond to a public health crisis is well-established in constitutional law. It may become necessary to require that certain individuals or communities be vaccinated, such as health care workers and students, to protect the public’s health.”

But according to [Precision Vaccinations](#), the mandate proposed by New York’s Bar Association is at odds with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration’s Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee [recommendation](#) on Oct. 22, which opposes mandatory vaccination policy on the premise that “the initial COVID-19 vaccines are considered ‘experimental’ without proven vaccine efficacy.”

Commenting on the Bar Association’s recommendation, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., chair and chief legal counsel for Children’s Health Defense, said, “The New York Bar Association, of which I am a member, this week abandoned its long history of defending civil and constitutional rights to engage in the practice of medicine.”

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IN ASSEMBLY

December 4, 2020

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. L. Rosenthal) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to administering a COVID-19 vaccine

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Article 21 of the public health law is amended by adding a
2 new title 8 to read as follows:

3 **TITLE 8**
4 **COVID-19**

5 Section 2178. COVID-19 vaccination.

6 § 2178. COVID-19 vaccination. 1. At the time a vaccination for COVID-
7 19 is approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration's
8 Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research vaccine product approval
9 process and the New York state clinical advisory task force, such vacci-
10 nation shall be required to be safely and effectively distributed in
11 accordance with the department's COVID-19 vaccination administration
12 program.

13 2. Once the United States Food and Drug Administration's Center for
14 Biologics Evaluation and Research and the New York state clinical advi-
15 sory task force have approved the safety and effectiveness of a COVID-19
16 vaccination and promotion and distribution plans of such vaccine have
17 begun pursuant to the department's COVID-19 vaccination administration
18 program, if public health officials determine that residents of the
19 state are not developing sufficient immunity from COVID-19, the depart-
20 ment shall mandate vaccination for all individuals or groups of individ-
21 uals who, as shown by clinical data, are proven to be safe to receive
22 such vaccine.

23 3. Any individual who has received a medical exemption from a licensed
24 medical professional shall not be mandated to receive the COVID-19
25 vaccine and shall be excluded from the requirements of this section.
26 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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The resolution specifically states:

“To protect the public’s health, it would be useful to provide guidance, consistent with existing law or a state emergency health powers act as proposed in Resolution #1, to assist state officials and state and local public health authorities should it be necessary for the state to consider the possibility of enacting a vaccine mandate.”

The resolution recommends the state only consider making COVID-19 vaccinations mandatory if voluntary vaccinations fail to produce “needed levels of population immunity; that an assessment of the health threat to various communities be made so that perhaps the mandate can be targeted; and that a mandate only be considered after there is expert consensus regarding the vaccine’s safety and efficacy.”

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GEN Z: A GENERATION FOR CHIROPRACTIC

By Joanna Fasulo, DC



Gen Z has arrived and is ready for chiropractic! So, who are they? This generation is defined by those 18-24 years old and born between 1996 and 2002. More multicultural than generations before them, they are 25% Hispanic, 14% black, 6% Asian, 5% other races and 52% white.

What makes Gen Z attractive for chiropractic is that they are more likely to admit struggling with chronic neck, back and shoulder pain when they are as young as 16 years old. They are also very familiar with chiropractic and other natural pain management methods for treatment of their chronic pain. Surprisingly, 64% of the survey respondents reported being “somewhat” or “very” interested in chiropractic care. 17% have admitted to already receiving chiropractic care. This is according to the Foundation for Chiropractic Progress.

When pressed on their rationale for leaning towards drug-free, natural pain management methods; 31% reported that the effectiveness of these treatment was more important than cost and convenience.

When considering treatment of chronic pain, at least 44% of them lean towards chiropractic, massage and stretching as primary means of treatment though it should be noted that this is in combination

with conventional medical and pharmacological treatment.

So, how do you market to this generation? As we know, this is a group that has little memory of life before smartphones and social media. They have been entertained and informed almost solely through YouTube, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and so on since they were born. The attention span of Gen Z is a mere 8 seconds, compared to 12 seconds for Millennials so to be effective, social media posts are brief, to the point, clearly reflect your brand and are socially inclusive.

For chiropractors, social media is a way to communicate your office, your philosophy, values, and focus. For example, if you are a DC who focuses on sports injuries, your advertising, including social media should do the same. But don't think that all social media is the same and that the same message will work on every social channel.

For a chiropractor that focuses on sports injuries, a Facebook post may focus on a specific injury to the neck during a football tackle, while a YouTube post may show a video of an adjustment and Instagram may show the athlete's active lifestyle with mention of a supplement. These messages tie together but are not identical.

Together, they create a fuller story of what chiropractic can do for sports injuries.

When advertising, Gen Z are more open to new brands, but transparency, trust, and consistency are key. Be authentic but not preachy. And do not let them down because they can just as easily amplify a poor experience as they can praise your treatment.

What about emails and other ways to message? Among Gen Z, 8 in10 indicating they prefer to receive promos and special discounts through email, 44.3% want product recommendations, 26.6% want company updates and only 20.3% want links to blogs or resources. Testimonials are a great way to encourage users to refer in their friends for specific issues like migraine headaches, car accidents etc.

As chiropractors, we have a unique opportunity to build the future of our practices with a new generation that understands the power of natural healing and the role that chiropractic plays in getting and keeping them at optimal health. To get their attention, we need to commit to talking to them where they are (social media) and in a way that builds trust and credibility. #chirolearnsocialmedia #genzgetsus #donutsaredelicious



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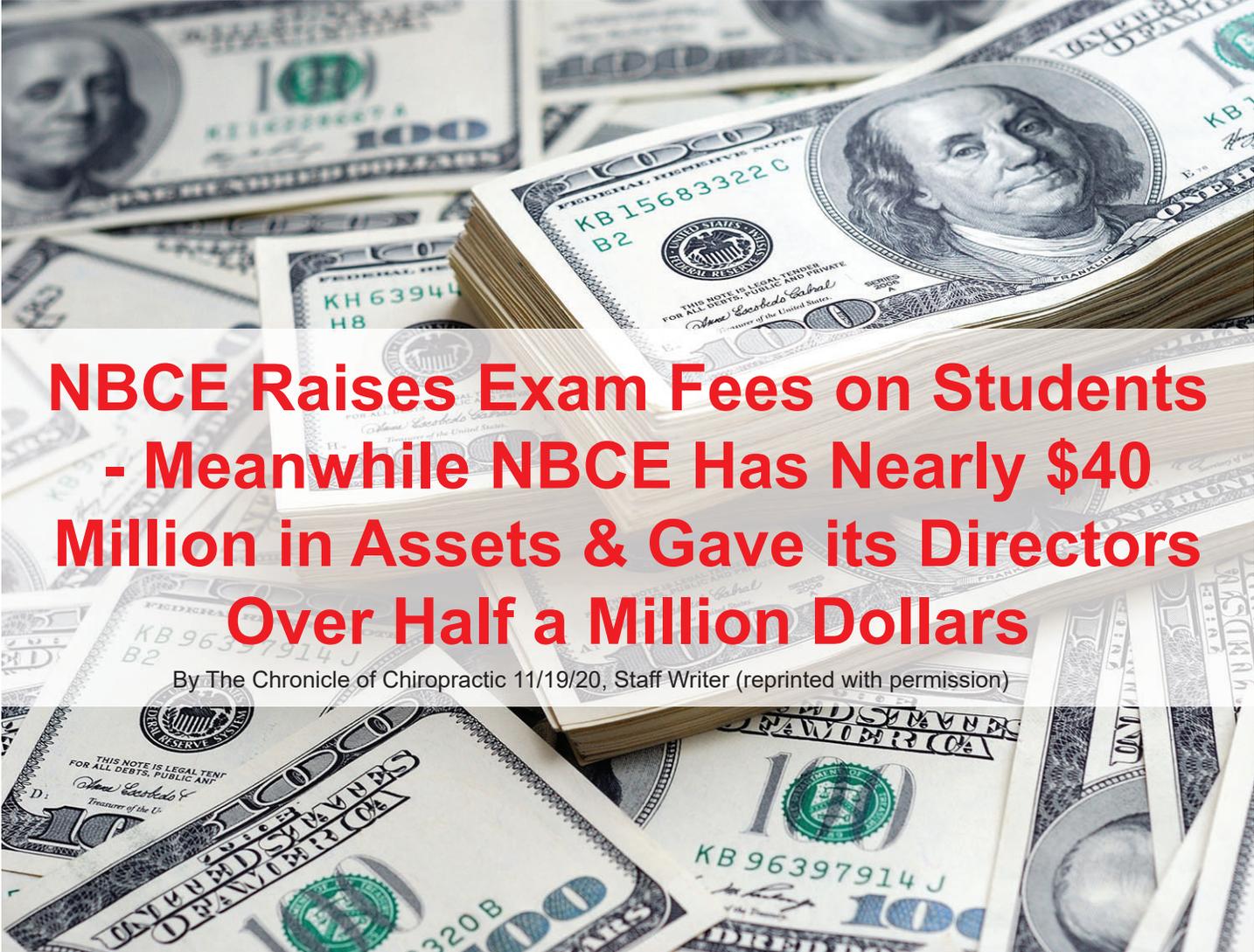
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NBCE Raises Exam Fees on Students - Meanwhile NBCE Has Nearly \$40 Million in Assets & Gave its Directors Over Half a Million Dollars

By The Chronicle of Chiropractic 11/19/20, Staff Writer (reprinted with permission)

Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards & Foundation for Chiropractic Progress are Other Beneficiaries of Student Money from NBCE

The greed and related shenanigans at the "Non Profit" National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) is nothing new, but their latest nonsense in the midst of COVID is the raising of their exam fees on students already saddled with obscene amounts of student loan debt from an overpriced chiropractic education.

Not only that but the NBCE has cancelled testing several times during the COVID crisis meaning students could not get licensed and start working to pay off that debt since the NBCE enjoys a monopoly on chiropractic testing and effectively no one gets a license until they say you are competent.

[CLICK HERE for history of problems at NBCE](#)

The non-profit NBCE announced their raise on the backs of students and taxpayers in a press release yesterday and blamed the COVID crisis for the increase.

What many people do not realize about the NBCE and their exams is that they are completely unnecessary since everyone that graduates from a chiropractic college is deemed competent by the faculty who present those graduates to the President and Board of Trustees who issue a diploma certifying that competence.

Not so fast says the NBCE - no one is competent until WE say they are and not until we get our cut of the money flowing through the Chiropractic Cartel.

[CLICK HERE for more on that story](#)

Look no further than the NBCE's publicly available tax returns and its easy to see what's going on.

[CLICK HERE to review returns](#)

The volunteer "leaders" of the NBCE pay themselves over half a million dollars a year for ONE HOUR of work per week giving these "volunteers" an average of \$42,446.15 per year.

[CLICK for NBCE "Leadership"](#)

Some, like John Nab DC, do even better raking in \$80,800.00 a year for his one hour of work per week. That's \$1553.84 per hour.

And that's not counting the actual salaried employees of the NBCE who were given nearly \$1.5 million of student money.

Not to be outdone is the highest paid employee of the NBCE Norman Ouzts DC who was paid \$292,054.00 in compensation.

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Source: Weeks et al. (2016) J Man Physiol Ther.

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PICK YOUR DATES IN ADVANCE

Plan your Holiday Toy Drive early. Make sure to leave enough time after the deadline for stragglers to bring their presents in. Choose five days that will work for your practice and are close enough to the holiday so people will be in the spirit of giving, but far enough away that people will not be feeling the financial stress of the holiday. The first or second week of December is generally a good time to have a successful Toy Drive.

WHAT TO DO

- Create a committee of your practice team members to help collect, load, organize and deliver the toys.
- Partner with police and/or firefighters whose well-known programs, such as Toys for Tots, enjoy hefty media exposure and public awareness.
- Designate a single drop-off point or scatter several around the city. Make sure they are well-marked and supervised.
- Contact hospitals, Boys and Girls' Clubs, shelters, the Salvation Army and other local organizations to find out if they're interested in receiving donations and for guidelines in doing so.
- Determine what types of toys (gender or age-appropriate) and condition (gently used or brand new) are acceptable. Clarify whether toys should be wrapped before donating.

GET THE WORD OUT

Tell as many people as you can about your Toy Drive as soon as possible. You'll want to create a "buzz," meaning when you tell someone, they'll tell someone, etc. The earlier you publicize your event, the more people you will reach. If your advertising budget is small, check with local nonprofits to help you get the word out. Schools, churches and other community organizations will most likely be willing to help spread the message about your Toy Drive, so be sure to let these entities know about your project.



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Ouzts is no stranger to controversy having been arrested in December of 2019 and then in March 2020 decided to stick his nose where it didn't belong and declare that very few chiropractors in Colorado would be able to keep their doors open during COVID. He made that statement at the height of a battle chiropractors were having there to stay open under a regulatory board that was attacking them.

[CLICK HERE for that story](#)

Ouzts has had a history of controversy with his involvement in the NBCE including a lawsuit and allegations of corruption at the NBCE where it was alleged that behind the scenes board machinations in the search and voting process for a new Executive Vice President (EVP) had taken place. Not surprising when there is so much money, power and control at stake.

[CLICK HERE for more on that story](#)

Making matters even worse is who else the NBCE leaders throw money at - including the self appointed Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB) - another unnecessary non profit group of chiropractors who exert the will of the Cartel upon the profession.

Student money from the NBCE has been funding the bulk of the FCLB's budget for a very long time - to the tune of \$655,140.00 a year. And that does not count the free rent and utilities the NBCE gives the FCLB totaling \$32,764.00 per year.

[If you are wondering why the NBCE funds the FCLB and why they pay their rent and utilities - those are great questions.](#)

Another benefactor of student money from the NBCE is the "not for profit" Foundation for Chiropractic Progress (F4CP) which was given \$615,000.00 of student money by the NBCE Directors for "career development". Considering the F4CP took in \$1.2 million in 2018 one wonders why the NBCE had to give them any student money.

[And what a surprise that NBCE Directors sit on the Board of the F4CP.](#)

Actually it is no surprise at all since a close inspection of these "non profits" reveals that their Directors bounce back and forth between the NBCE, FCLB and other Cartel controlled organizations on a regular basis. It is a close knit group of good ole' boys - and girls.

Given the fact that the NBCE is not even necessary, it seems pretty obvious that the NBCE should not be raising fees on students. In-stead what should be happening is state regulatory boards should do what Colorado did and remove the NBCE requirement from the statute.

The fact that the NBCE is actually named in the statutes, rules and regulations in every state could be considered restraint of trade by active market players. And the Supreme Court has ruled that active

market players acting in this fashion do not have the protection of the state if they are acting without proper oversight in these decisions.

Taken together, the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the Council on Chiropractic Education have complete control over the education, licensing, and regulatory aspects of the entire chiropractic profession.

[As Lawrence J. DeNardis Ph.D of the United States Department of Education's NACIQI Committee stated - they have a monopoly and have established a Cartel within the chiropractic profession.](#)

"Madam Chair, we've heard charges and countercharges from I trust a wide, fairly wide spectrum of the chiropractic profession. At least that's the way it seems to me. Battles over turf, battles over philosophy, maybe battles over personal ambition, but divisions of every kind. And some of this, maybe most of it, is a consequence of, at least as I see it, a monopoly control of a profession which has led to the establishment of a virtual cartel, not unusual. There are several other professions that we deal with that have a virtual cartel control of the profession. We can't change that, but we can consider measures that will try to send a message to the prevailing control group that they should try to be more inclusive rather than less inclusive and I suggest that we try to figure out what is within our range of alternatives to do that. Because I believe if we simply hear it, discuss it, anguish over it, and then give them five years of recognition, that we haven't been the impetus for any corrective action for the profession and I worry about the profession."

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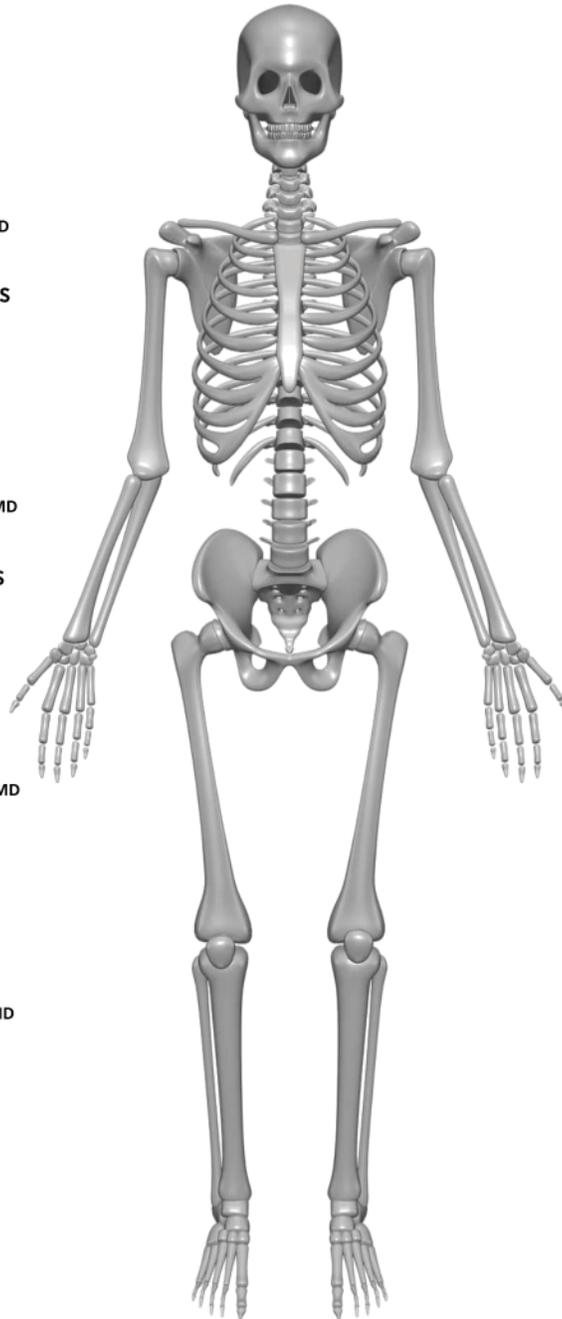
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Despite these qualifications, the recommendation leaves it to experts, not individuals, to decide on this serious medical intervention. Strikingly, the recommendation fails to mention the principle of informed consent, the bedrock of ethical medicine.

Children’s Health Defense General Counsel Mary Holland noted, “At the end of the day, this prominent lawyers’ group endorsed medical coercion for an experimental medical intervention, which has been anathema in a free society since World War II.”

New York law already requires a long [list of vaccinations](#) for children, from preschool age on up, before they can attend public or private school. The state, which has some of the strictest vaccine laws in the country, last year became one of only [five states](#) to eliminate religious exemptions. Children’s Health Defense is engaged in litigation in New York State to [restore the religious exemption](#) and to ensure that medical exemptions from licensed physicians [cannot be overruled by school officials](#).

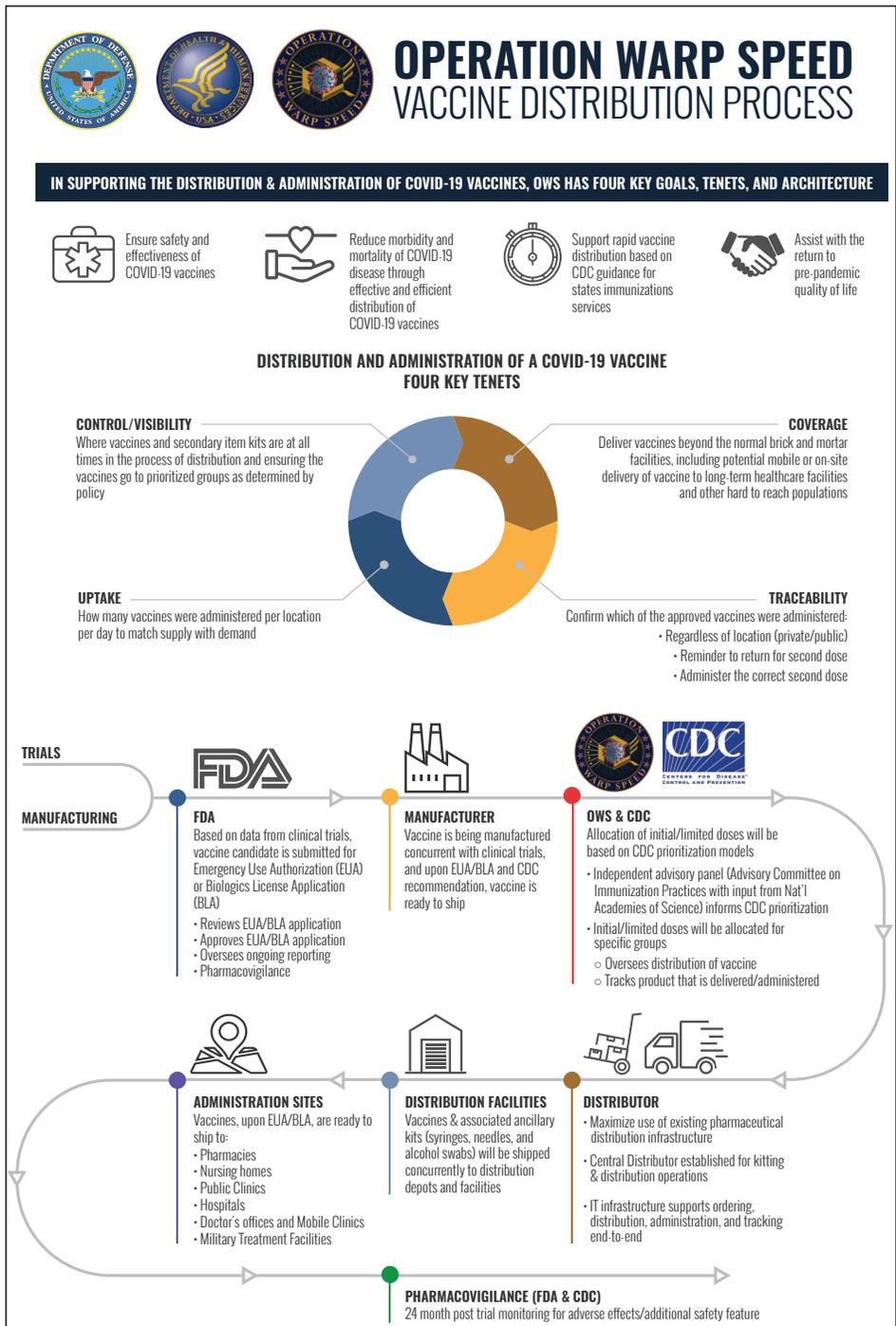
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ACA has been part of [two coalitions fighting these cuts](#) and is supporting legislation designed to place a one-year moratorium on the planned cuts, to allow congress to develop a long-term solution. Contact your federal representative [here](#) and urge them to cosponsor this legislation, H.R. 8505.



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Medicare: Patient Access to Chiropractic

<https://www.acatoday.org/Advocacy/Legislative-Regulatory-Policy/medicare>

Legislation championed by ACA to increase Medicare coverage of chiropractic services has been introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives.

The Chiropractic Medicare Coverage Modernization Act of 2019 (H.R. 3654) would allow Medicare beneficiaries access to the chiropractic profession's broad-based, non-drug approach to pain management, which includes manual manipulation of the spine and extremities, evaluation and management services, diagnostic imaging and utilization of other non-drug approaches that have become an important strategy in national efforts to stem the epidemic of prescription opioid overuse and abuse.

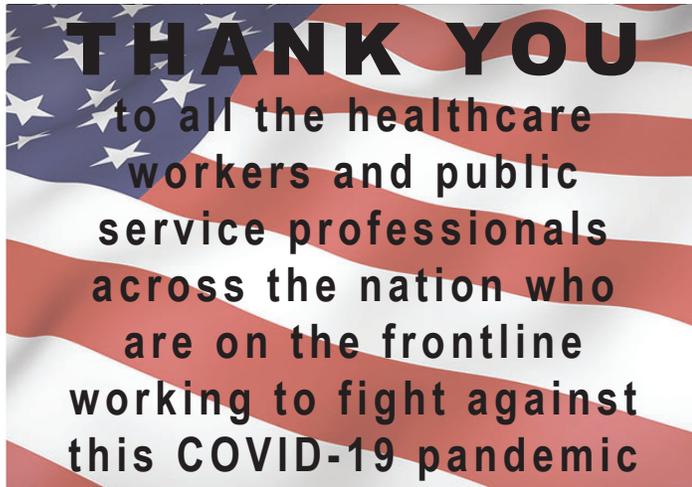
H.R. 3654:

- Appropriately defines a Doctor of Chiropractic (DC) as a "physician" in the Medicare program.
- Provides patient access to all Medicare-covered benefits allowable under a chiropractor's state licensure.
- Requires that DCs complete a documentation webinar.
- Is bipartisan legislation, introduced by Reps. Brian Higgins (D-N.Y.) and Tom Reed (R-N.Y.).

H.R. 8702:

Also, ACA is part of a coalition of more than fifty other provider groups supporting H.R. 8702, which would ensure that payments to doctors of chiropractic remain at current 2020 levels through 2022. CMS released the final MFPS rule on Dec. 1, 2020. Click here (PDF - pages 1660-1661 of posted rule) for the estimated impact on total allowed charges by specialty, as posted by CMS.

Read our coalition's position here (PDF). Take a moment today to send a letter to your member of Congress and urge them to co-sponsor this critical legislation. Go to: [acatoday.org/HR8702](https://www.acatoday.org/HR8702)



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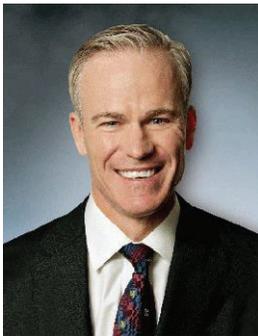
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Research

Pharmacovigilance

Interesting concept to understand especially because of the new vaccines. Take some time to learn the basics. This technology is pushing the envelope on real time data collection. The paper "Pharmacovigilance: An Overview" is a great place to start as this article will provide insights into this discipline.

Abstract - Purpose: Pharmacovigilance (PV) is a relatively new discipline in the pharmaceutical industry...**Findings:** Drug safety monitoring activities were organized by the US Food and Drug Administration and academic medical centers in the early 1950s in response to growing concern over the occurrence of aplastic anemia and other blood dyscrasias associated with the use of chloramphenicol. This experience was codified in the 1962 Kefauver-Harris Amendments to the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act as adverse event evaluation and reporting requirements. The ensuing decades have seen the development of core PV functions for pharmaceutical companies: case management, signal management, and benefit-risk management. A broader scope of PV has developed to include the following major activities: support of patient safety during the conduct of clinical trials through assuring proper use of informed consent and institutional review boards (ethics committees); selection of the first safe dose for use in humans, based on pharmacologic data obtained in animal studies; development of the safety profile for proper use of a new molecular entity and appropriate communication of that information to the range of relevant stakeholders; attendance to surveillance activities through a set of signal management processes; monitoring the manufactured product itself through collaborative activities with manufacturing professionals; management of benefit-risk to assure appropriate use in medical care after marketing; and maintenance of inspection readiness as a corporate cultural process.

Implications: The extent and pace of change promise to accelerate with the integration of biomedical informatics, analytics, artificial intelligence, and machine learning...

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Implanted Body Sensors

Wireless Body Sensor Communication Systems Based on UWB and IBC Technologies: State-of-the-Art and Open Challenges

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Abstract: In recent years there has been an increasing need for miniature, low-cost, commercially accessible, and user-friendly sensor solutions for wireless body area networks (WBAN), which has led to the adoption of new physical communication interfaces providing distinctive advantages over traditional wireless technologies. Ultra-wideband (UWB) and intrabody communication (IBC) have been the subject of intensive research in recent years due to their promising characteristics as means for short-range, low-power, and low-data-rate wireless interfaces for interconnection of various sensors and devices placed on, inside, or in the close vicinity of the human body...

Keywords: human motion tracking; implanted sensors; intrabody communication; ultra-wideband communication; vital signs monitoring; wearable systems; wireless body area networks; wireless body sensors."

Cleaner Home and Clinic Air - UVC

What ways can you add protection to our clinics and to our homes. Is UVC a real option? This article is a good review for the clinician.

"UV air cleaners and upper-room air ultraviolet germicidal irradiation for controlling airborne bacteria and fungal spores"

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Abstract - In-room air cleaners (ACs) and upper-room air ultraviolet germicidal irradiation (UVGI) are engineering control technologies that can help reduce the concentrations of airborne bacteria and fungal spores in the indoor environment..."

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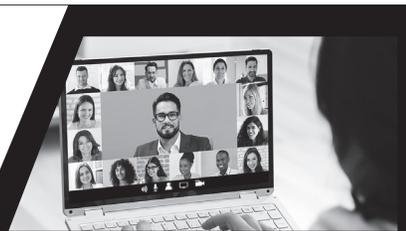


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December 16th

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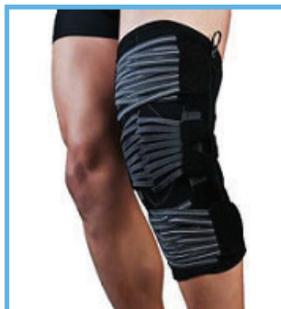
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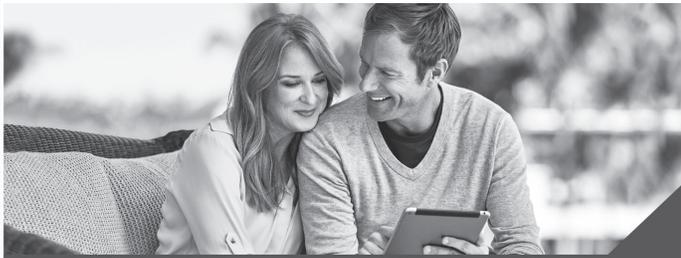


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ACA, Coalition Take Action to Stop Medicare Physician Fee Cuts in 2021

<https://www.acatoday.org/News-Publications/Newsroom/News-Releases/ACA-Coalition-Take-Action-to-Stop-Medicare-Physician-Fee-Cuts-in-2021>

Chiropractors urged to contact Members of Congress in support of H.R. 8505

Arlington, Va. – The American Chiropractic Association (ACA), along with a coalition of more than 45 specialty provider groups, has taken decisive action in recent weeks to oppose proposed reductions in Medicare reimbursement for chiropractic and other specialties slated to begin in January 2021.

The coalition, which ACA was instrumental in establishing last year, features a diverse range of physician and provider groups such as the American College of Emergency Physicians, the American Occupational Therapy Association, the American Physical Therapy Association, and the American Psychological Association.

On Oct. 5, the group penned a letter to CMS Administrator Seema Verma, MPH, urging her to prevent cuts to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (PFS), which are intended to achieve budget neutrality. “[The cuts would] cripple the recovery of the nation’s health care system by exacerbating revenue shortfalls that are already jeopardizing the financial viability of physician and non-physician providers across the country,” the coalition writes. This in turn could potentially impact patients’ access to medically necessary specialty care.

Rep. Michael C. Burgess (R-Texas) recently introduced a legislative remedy, H.R.8505, a bill that would implement a one-year waiver of the required budget neutrality adjustments under the PFS, preventing the cuts from going into effect on Jan. 1.

Broad congressional support for such a solution was made clear last week when 229 Members of Congress sent a letter to House leadership urging them to avoid the “excessively steep cuts.”

Take Action to Stop Physician Payment Cuts

Now it is time for doctors of chiropractic to join the effort to stop the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule cuts. Congress is listening to its constituents on this critical issue. Take a moment to send a letter to your member of Congress, urging them to cosponsor H.R. 8505 and ensure Medicare patients receive the care they need. Visit www.acatoday.org/HR8505 to make your voice heard on this important issue.



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