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JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Suffolk County DCs,

This is my first President's message and let me say one thing. This group on this board is very special! They're a caring group of docs who are driven to make you succeed in your practice. Wow!

I'm very proud to be in a role where I can lead in NYSCA and deliver against goals that benefit you and make this the district all others look up to.

My sincere thanks to Dr. George Rulli: the steerer of the ship through the unknown of the pandemic. He supported us through the unknown, kept us together as an organization and helped us keep our doors open. My personal thanks to him for the advice he gave me in March, 2020 when I wasn't sure if I should close my practice or not. He talked me through my options and thanks to his advice, I remained open to serve my patients and my community, including our many essential workers.

Along with our VP, Dr. Robin Stein, our Treasurer, Dr. Sofia A and the rest of our board, I am inspired to deliver fresh solutions that focus on making your practices succeed. We're committed to ensuring you are aware and take advantage of all of the member benefits that are here for you at NYSCA, including up to date implications of insurance changes, advice on increasing your income, and most importantly, a network where you can share ideas and have open conversation about your practice.

This month, our guest speaker is Dr. Dimitrios Christoforou from OALI. He will be sharing the details of carpal tunnel surgery, his success with this procedure and when it

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FROM THE EDITOR

I want to congratulate Dr. Fasulo for being elected president of the district and trust that her leadership over the next two years will help the NYSCA grow, facilitate greater member engagement and to make our district more successful than it is. Our leadership team is all female for the first time and is a nice Segway to introduce our lead article and video link of the history of women in Chiropractic.

Information concerning profession related legislation, A273/S4640 starts on page five, as is information on NYS bill A279 which wants to have all adult tax records to be given to the state.

Next, we have an article on coding and intersegmental traction; 97012. On the same page an article addresses the concern that “any adverse reaction” after receiving the vaccine an employer may be held liable if the employer mandated the vaccine as a condition of their employment.

We conclude with the Olympic commercial produced by the F4CP and a reminder of how to opt-out of Amazon Sidewalk, page 14, and a video on research highlights by Life University, page 17.

Thanks for being a NYSCA member. Enjoy this edition of your district newsletter. Following this column is a link to replay the meeting celebrating the conclusion of the Future of Chiropractic Strategic Plan Project. This is important as the kickoff of Phase three begins in July. Keep yourself informed.



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makes the most sense for us to refer out. OALI is a proud sponsor of ours so please find the time to participate via Zoom and show your support. We also have lots to share regarding the latest on workers compensation and the new ONBOARD website. This meeting really should not be missed.

Your President,
JoAnna Fasulo DC



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Mabel Heath Palmer, DC, PhC,

The ICA celebrates the first lady of chiropractic, Mabel Heath Palmer, DC, PhC, on the anniversary of her birth. June 5, 1885. The wife of our founder, and the 'Developer' of chiropractic, Dr. B.J. Palmer, Mabel spent her life in service to the profession. She became an anatomy expert, authoring a textbook on Anatomy, and numerous other texts and when not traveling the world with BJ, she was favorite professor among the students of Palmer Chiropractic.

Mabel made a point of recruiting women to chiropractic, and those early recruitment efforts, paid off. Today, women chiropractors are a significant portion of the profession. On June 5, we celebrate all women in chiropractic.

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NYSCA Legislative Committee

Just a quick legislative update as the 2021 legislative session is scheduled to conclude next Thursday, June 10. We have been proactively pushing two bills of interest to the profession:

First, as previously discussed is A273 (Gottfried)/S4640 (Rivera), which would require a practitioner treating a patient with a neuromusculoskeletal condition causing pain to discuss with the patient the efficacy of non-opioid conservative care treatments. These treatments include massage, chiropractic, physical therapy and occupational therapy care. We are working in a coalition with the American Massage Therapy Association - New York Chapter, the New York Physical Therapy Association, and the New York State Occupational Therapy Association.

We have seen great success so far as the bill has made it to the floor in both the Senate and Assembly. We are pleased to report that today the New York State Senate has passed the bill! We are now asking the Assembly to follow suit and also pass the bill.

As a reminder, MSSNY has issued a memo saying that they are opposed to this bill as it will create additional paperwork for providers. We understand the onerous nature of additional paperwork, but feel that given that opioid crisis being faced in this country, a bit of additional paperwork for providers writing opioid prescriptions should not be viewed as a burden. We will continue our work to get this bill passed in both houses.

The second bill A7369-A (Gottfried)/S7130 (Rivera) would add several new providers to the list of authorized providers for telehealth services in New York, including chiropractors. As you know, doctors of chiropractic have been able to utilize telehealth services because of an executive order issued by the Governor. This legislation would make permanent the executive order provisions by ensuring that chiropractors are added to the list of healthcare providers authorized to utilize telehealth services. This bill is making its way through committee in the Assembly, and we are working to bring the bill to a vote in the Senate.

We will keep you posted on the status of these bills as the session draws to a conclusion next week.

Amy Kellogg Esq.
Government Affairs

Autism Action

The New York Assembly Codes Committee will vote TODAY on A279, Assembly Health Committee Chair Richard Gottfried's bill the bill that would require all adults' vaccination records to be turned over to the state.

The NY Assembly Health Committee voted last Thursday 14-12 to pass Assembly Bill A279. None of the black members of the Committee voted for it. If passed the state will know who has received shots, and more importantly who has not. Creating a database of this kind is an essential first step to enforcing adult vaccination mandates and vaccine passports, a long-desired goal of the vaccine industry. The only feasible use for it is to identify people who have not complied with state forced vaccination measures and target non-compliant people for coercion, isolation and punishment.

All seven Republicans voted against it as did in the health Committee meeting last Thursday, as did 5 Democrats. 14 Democrats vote for it. Votes against the bill came from Republicans Ashby, Byrne, Byrnes, Jensen, McDonough, M. Miller and Salka with Democrats Abinanti, Barron, Bichotte Hermelyn, Sayegh and Solages. Yes votes came from Chairman Gottfried (the bill sponsor), Braunstein, Cahill, Cymbrowitz, Dinowitz, Galef, Gunther, Hevesi, McDonald, Paulin, Reyes, D. Rosenthal, L Rosenthal, Steck.

None of the three black members of the Assembly Health Committee, Soaages, Bichotte Hermelyn and Barron voted for the bill. In the Senate Health Committee only Samra Brouk voted for it, and that was most likely a concession to Sen. Hoylman, the spon-

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Intersegmental Traction — What’s Happening with Roller Tables?

BY WYN STAHELI, DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

Intersegmental traction therapy via the use of roller tables has been used by doctors of chiropractic for many years. Recently, questions have arisen regarding the appropriate billing of roller tables. This is largely due to the following statement published in the July 2020 CPT Assistant published by the American Medical Association (AMA):

Question: Can the use of a chiropractic roller table that is an adjustable device used to create a massaging effect along the spine be reported with code 97012.

Answer: No, the chiropractic roller table is a device that has adjustable mechanical rollers requiring stationary, supine positioning of a patient. The rollers can be adjusted for height and do not require constant one-on-one attendance with the patient to create a massaging effect along the spine. Tension via the adjustable rollers can create traction forces resulting in separation between vertebral joint surfaces. A review of the literature at the time of this printing does not support a roller table meeting the requirement of autotraction, the use of the body’s own weight to create sufficient force allowing for separation between joint surfaces, that may be reported with 97012, Application of a modality to 1 or more areas; traction, mechanical. Therefore, code 97039, Unlisted modality (specify type and time if constant attendance), should be reported. When reporting an unlisted code to describe a procedure or service, submit supporting documentation (eg, procedure report) along with the claim to provide an adequate description of the nature, extent, and need for the procedure, as well as the time, effort, and equipment necessary to provide the service.

— Medicine: Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation July 2020 pages 13-14

According to this statement, the AMA feels that a roller table does not meet their definition of “autotraction” which is “...use of the body’s own weight to create the force” because they state that the body’s weight does not create sufficient force to separate the joints. We don’t know which literature they reviewed or if they took into consideration that there are different types of tables on the market with different types of attachments which MIGHT create additional force and thus meet their requirements. However, when a statement like this comes out, it opens the door for numerous policy changes.

The information regarding roller tables (see page 381) presented in the current edition of the ChiroCode DeskBook is based on the policy statement by the American Chiropractic Association (ACA), which states, “roller table type traction normally meets the requirement of autotraction.” The key word to consider here is the word “normally” which is ambiguous and not further defined. There are many different types of tables and what is considered “normal” will likely vary from payer to payer.

Alert: According to one consultant with whom we have spoken to, the ACA Coding Committee is currently working on a revision of their mechanical traction policy statement to reflect the July 2020 CPT Assistant. Watch for further information from the ACA about this change.

Regardless of the currently conflicting descriptions between the AMA and ACA regarding whether or not the use of a roller table will meet the definition of intersegmental traction services, above all it is important to know whose guidelines must be adhered to when reporting services. To explain, the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) formerly adopted the code sets used to report healthcare services today (e.g., CPT-4, ICD-10-CM) but the only code set guidelines they adopted are the ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting (CFR 42 162.1002). As such, individual payers can create and publish policies that govern how the official code sets are used and reported, especially within individual provider contracts. Therefore, providers must understand the reporting requirements of their provider contract and review payer-specific policies for the type of service provided to ensure proper coding, reporting, and documentation that would support medical necessity for the service.

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OSHA: Employers May Be Held Liable for ‘Any Adverse Reaction’ if They Mandate COVID Vaccines

By Megan Redshaw



New OSHA guidance holds employers liable for adverse reactions if they require employees be vaccinated for COVID as a condition of employment, which could negatively impact the employer’s safety rating.

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EDITOR’S NOTE: Late Friday, OSHA abruptly reversed course, saying employers will not be liable for COVID vaccine injuries. Read our latest coverage here.

New guidance from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is making employers think twice about their COVID vaccine requirements.

On April 20, companies were put on notice they’ll be responsible for any adverse reaction should they require their employees be vaccinated with a COVID vaccine.

In the Frequently Asked Questions section of OSHA’s website having to do with COVID safety compliance, a question was asked whether an adverse reaction to a COVID vaccine had to be recorded if an employer mandated vaccination as a condition for employment.

OSHA stated:

“If you require your employees to be vaccinated as a condition of employment (i.e., for work-related reasons), then any adverse reaction to the COVID-19 vaccine is work-related. The adverse reaction is re-

cordable if it is a new case under 29 CFR 1904.6 and meets one or more of the general recording criteria in 29 CFR 1904.7.”

In general, an adverse reaction to the COVID vaccine is recordable if the reaction is: (1) work-related, (2) a new case and (3) meets one or more of the general recording criteria in 29 CFR 1904.7 (e.g., days away from work, restricted work or transfer to another job, medical treatment beyond first aid).

According to OSHA, recording requirements of serious work-related injuries and illness may leave employers with worker’s compensation claims and impact their safety record.

Conversely, OSHA states it will exercise enforcement discretion and will not require adverse reactions be recorded when an employer only “recommends” that employees receive the vaccine, while noting that for this discretion to apply, the vaccine must be truly voluntary.

In determining whether a vaccine is “voluntary,” the website states, “an employee’s choice to accept or reject the vaccine cannot affect [his or her] performance rating or professional advancement,” and that an “employee who chooses not to receive the vaccine cannot suffer any repercussions from this choice.”

If employees are not free to choose whether or not to receive the vaccine without fearing negative recourse, then the vaccine is required and employers should refer to the section on COVID vaccines as a condition to employment.

In response to the news that COVID vaccine adverse reactions suffered by workers are reportable incidents, or incidents that count against a company’s safety record, several large contractors said they have changed or will change their vaccination policy to only recommend — not require — a vaccine.

CHD Calls on FDA to Take COVID Vaccines Off the Market - Submit a Comment
Construction firm Clayco stepped back from a previously announced firmwide vaccine mandate in response to the recent federal guideline.

“We, sadly, had to back off our [employee vaccination] mandate because OSHA did something I don’t understand at all,” said Bob Clark, founder and executive chairman of Clayco in a recent ENR Critical Path podcast. “I side with OSHA frequently, we’re in its VIP program, but on this they’re just wrong. It’s a terrible decision they’ve made and I think it’ll be overturned.”

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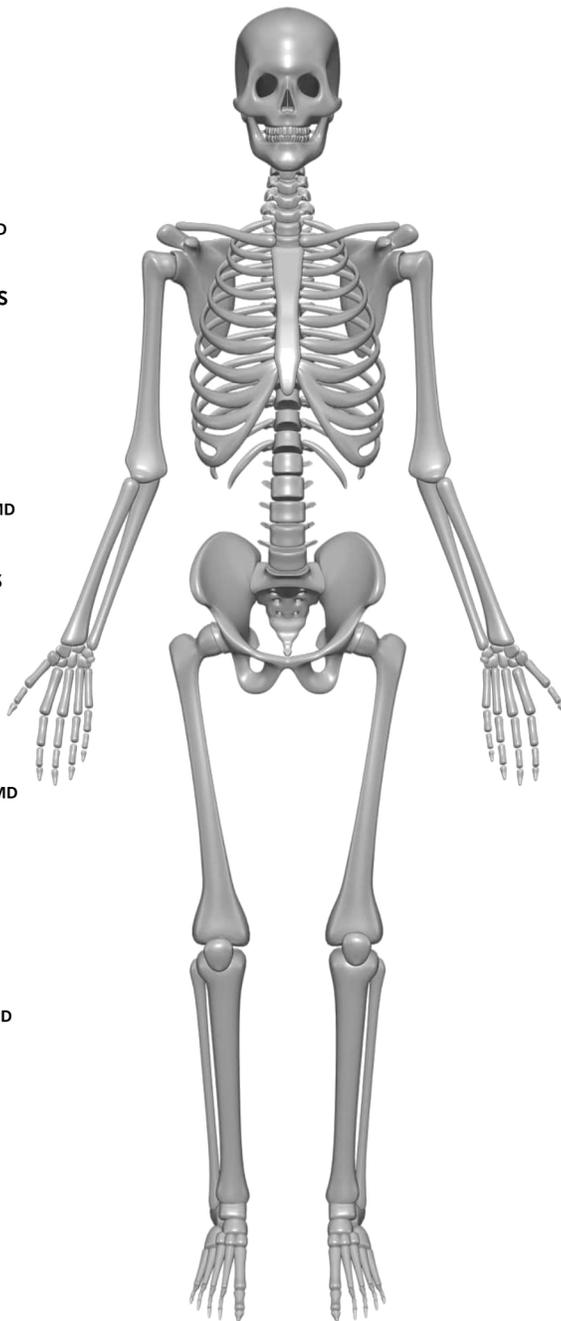
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If the contract or payer-published guidance does not specifically identify the coding guidance or medical policies to be followed, then a conservative plan of action or best practices, would be to follow the CPT guidelines, in which case the CPT Assistant may be useful. According to the CPT Assistant, intersegmental traction via roller tables can be reported with 97039 along with the necessary supporting documentation describing the service provided and as always, make sure to document why you, as the provider, feel it is a medically necessary service.

If specific payers consider this a noncovered service, it will be essential to notify the patient in advance (see page 21 of the 2021 ChiroCode DeskBook for more information about establishing financial responsibility).

Again, it is important to review the individual payer policies with whom you are contracted, and maintain up-to-date policy information (published policy, effective date, related CPT, ICD-10-CM codes, documentation requirements) for easy reference. Be sure to periodically check payer websites for updates.

For example, Aetna states that they consider autotractor devices “experimental and investigational,” and CGS Medicare LCD L34049 states “Equipment and tables utilizing roller systems are not considered true mechanical traction.” However, other payers do not have the same view as indicated in the following information contained in a policy by Cigna:

Mechanical traction using a table with moving roller(s) against the spine or paraspinal tissue (e.g., Spinalator) is considered a type of passive mobilization modality (often referred to as “intersegmental traction”) that may have limited value in reducing spinal stiffness and muscle tension and is only appropriate as preparatory or adjunctive to spinal manipulative procedures. It should not be used as a stand-alone therapy. It should only be used for a short duration (1-2 weeks) to facilitate manipulations and to transition into an active therapy program.

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Keep in mind that payers frequently change policies to reflect information published by the AMA, so you will need to keep a close eye on those policies. As it appears likely that the ACA will change their policy to reflect the July 2020 CPT Assistant, consider using 97039 right away to bill for this service instead of 97012. However, this suggestion may become the recommendation depending on the wording of that policy.

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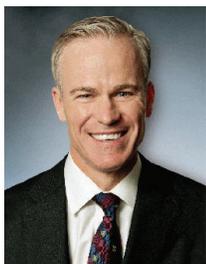
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"What they put forward could potentially discourage employers from supporting their workers getting the vaccine," said Kevin Cannon, senior director of safety and health services at the Associated General Contractors of America (ACG).

ACG is not in support of any vaccine mandate, however the company participated in vaccine awareness week in April and hosted vaccine clinics on an active job site and in its offices.

Cannon said some contractors may have changed their approach to those events had they known, at the time, they could potentially "be on the hook for recording these potential adverse reactions."

All businesses and institutions will be very reluctant to mandate vaccinations if OSHA says adverse reactions count as reportable against a company's "experience modification rate." It's honestly ridiculous, Clark said.

An experience modification rate, or EMR, is a safety rating insurers use in calculating workers' compensation. Part of the calculation includes reportable incidents — a higher number of reportable incidents damages the company's safety ratings and could hike up the price of insurance, St. Louis Business Journal reported.

Clark noted that Clayco wants to set an example and plans to challenge the guidance through lobbying and outreach to senators, and it's not alone in that effort. The company also will continue to strongly encourage employees to get vaccinated, log which employees do and are considering "vaccinated only" areas within its workspace.

According to the National Law Review, employers may want to make it clear in communications to employees whether COVID vaccines are required or voluntary.

Employers may also consider circumstances in which OSHA will investigate an employer's recordkeeping practices. If an employer's vaccination program is voluntary, an employer may not have any

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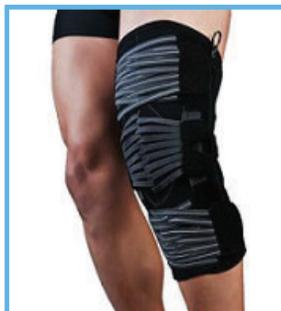
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entries resulting from adverse reactions. Under those circumstances, OSHA will have to ask the employer about the vaccination program and whether any employee suffered an adverse reaction.

Employees may be more likely to make a complaint to OSHA when they have been denied time off for an illness that they consider to be work-related, which means post-vaccination paid time off may be helpful.

Although OSHA is facing scrutiny for its guidance, it is consistent with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), which requires any product with this designation to be voluntary. Currently, Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson are only approved for emergency use.

As reported by The Defender, this was reiterated in August 2020 at a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) published meeting of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, where its executive secretary, Dr. Amanda Cohn, stated:

"I just wanted to add that, just wanted to remind everybody, that under an Emergency Use Authorization, an EUA, vaccines are not allowed to be mandatory. So, early in this vaccination phase, individuals will have to be consented and they won't be able to be mandated."

<https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/employers-liable-adverse-reaction-mandate-covid-vaccines/>

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son in the Senate, who aggressively campaigned for Brouk in the last election. The only other black member of the Senate Health Committee, Sen. Brian Benjamin, was conveniently absent for the vote. The bill has only garnered one vote from the five black legislators who have voted so far.

The lack of support among black legislators for the bill may be its downfall. The Covid-19 alleged vaccination rate among black New Yorkers is half the overall average. Vaccination rates among Hispanics in New York is only slightly higher. And poll after poll shows the highest level of skepticism about the Covid-19 shots is among black people. That skepticism is evident in the votes so far of the black legislators. This database is intended to identify and punish people who do not obey the state, which is exactly what the database for children's vaccination is used for. Obviously black and Hispanic New Yorkers will be disproportionately targeted for surveillance and punishment if this bill is passed.

The next step for the bill is a vote the Assembly Codes Committee, Every additional task they legislature must do to pass the bill helps us because the session is scheduled to end on June 10 and any additional work increases the likelihood that the bill will not be completed by the time the clock runs out.

Please get on the phone and your computer and contact the following members of the Assembly Codes Committee. Talking points are below the contact info.

We need 11 votes to kill the bill. We believe we have definite 8 NO votes including all six Republicans. We need three more Democrats.

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