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Presidential Message

Dear colleagues and clinic owners:

I would like to thank everyone who helped the Board with the passage of HB190 aka Act 2015-275. The bill was introduced by Rep. Randy Wood who worked tirelessly to see it thru the entire process. Rep. Mike Holmes and Sen. Rusty Glover also helped Mr. Wood in keeping the bill moving. There was a little resistance initially but we worked through those issues with the ASCA to get the bill passed. While the thought of increasing fees is concerning to most in practice this bill primarily does not affect the average practicing DC who renews timely. Please remember the deadline for renewal with no late fee is September 30.

The fee increases are on permit renewals, all late fees, license replacement and the original license/permit issue fee. The bill also created a new penalty for reinstatement after January 30. This is to be set by rule and will be substantially large. Any increase to the license renewal fee will only be used if necessary but does not appear to be needed at this time. The reason for increase is in response to a mandated account-

ing program by the State called STAARS which costs the Board initially \$84,000.00 over 3 years with a yearly maintenance yet to be determined. The Board continues to trim cost in every possible way but we are striving to maintain the same level of service for the citizens of Alabama, the permit holders and the DC's.

Also included was the ability to carry hours in excess of the 18 required for renewal over for 1 year. The hours must be approved by Alabama. You must obtain the Alabama law hours each year and Alabama Law cannot be carried over.

There will be a renewal newsletter the first week of August that will provide all the deadlines for the upcoming renewal period. We are also noticing that we are not seeing many seminars applications with dates between now and September 30th so if you need hours you need to plan ahead.

Brian Wells,
President ASBCE

REMINDER

You will not receive an email notifying you of the hours we have on file for you. If you have not yet obtained your required continuing education hours for renewal, please review the seminars list on pages 2-5 of this Newsletter. The renewal process is much easier if you don't wait until the last minute to obtain these hours and submit them to the Board. (18 hours required for renewal each year) Also, be sure you have purchased your Alabama Section 136 Business License for the year 2014-15 and have submitted a copy to the Board office. You may email these to debra.darnell@chiro.alabama.gov or fax to (205)-755-0081.

ONIINE SEMINARS The Seminars listed below have been approved by the Alabama Board for CCE

CE4YOU offers the following ONLINE courses until July 2015. For information contact Eric Schmitt, DC at 1-888-612-0996.

- "AIDS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE"
- "CODING AND DOCUMENTATION IN PRACTICE" 2.
- "EXTREMITY ADJUSTING"
- "FAULTY MOVEMENT PATTERNS"
- "FAULTY MOVEMENT PATTERNS REVISITED"
- "INTEGRATIVE MYOFASCIAL RELEASE(IMR)"
- "LOW TECH REHAB FOR WHIPLASH"
- "MASSAGE PROTOCOLS"
- "MUSCLE TESTING & EXERCISE PRESCRIPTION"
- 10. "RADIOLOGY IN PRACTICE"
- 11. "REHABILITATION OF THE ATHLETE"
- 12. "SPINAL TRAUMA"
- 13. "THE PERINATAL AND PEDIATRIC PRACTICE"

Data Trace Publishing offers the following ONLINE course until December 2015. For information contact Kaitlyn Garver at 1-410-494-4994.

1. OUM 2015 REDUCING RISK

DCHours.com offers the following ONLINE courses until September 2015. For information contact Debbie Brendler. at 1-800-811-0269 or click https://ahs.prosperitylms.com/ reg/ahs student/index.cfm?prog=18 for a list of all DC Hours courses approved by Alabama and for registration.

- "ALABAMA BOARD RULES AND REGULATIONS 2 HOURS"
- 2. "BASIC CASE MANAGEMENT"
- "BASIC MRI PART 1" 3.
- "BASIC MRI PART 2"
- "BASIC MRI PART 3"
- "FUNCTION BASED CARE PART 1"
- 7. "FUNCTION BASED CARE PART 2"
- "PASSIVE CARE MODALITIES PART 1"
- "PASSIVE CARE MODALITIES PART 2"
- 10. "RADICULOPATHY:PATIENT ASSESSMENT"
- 11. "SPINAL DECOMPRESSION"
- 12. "SPINAL PAIN SYNDROMES"
- 13. "THE NEUROLOGY OF PAIN"
- 14. "UNDERSTANDING WHIPLASH PART 1"
- 15. "UNDERSTANDING WHIPLASH PART 2"

DC Online offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2015. For information contact Karen Moreau at 1-712-260-2507 or click https://secure.ecollege.com/ mcc/index.learn?action=registration

- "A CASE BASED APPROACH TO SOFT TISSUE INJURY"
- HEALTHCARE PROVIDER"
- "ALABAMA BOARD RULES AND REGULATIONS 2 HOURS"
- "ALABAMA BOARD RULES AND REGULATIONS 4 HOURS"
- "ASSESSMENT & MANAGEMENT OF THE HIP FOR THE HEALTHCARE PROVIDER"
- "CASE STUDIES CERVICAL SPINE"
- "ETHICAL ISSUES IN CHIROPRACTIC PRACTICE"

- "IMMUNIZATION: MAKING INFORMED CHOICES"
- "PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF THE KNEE
- 10. "PROFESSIONAL BOUNDARIES"
- 11. "RISK MANAGEMENT IN CHIROPRACTIC"
- 12. "SEGMENTAL DROP ADJUSTING: REVIEW OF THE THOMPSON TECHNIQUE"
- 13. "SPECIAL POPULATIONS IN CHIROPRACTIC: THE OSTEOPO-ROTIC PATIENT"
- "THE SPINE IN SPORT"

National University of Health Sciences offers the following ONLINE course until February 2016. For information contact Jenna Glenn, DC at 1-630-889-6622.

"COX PART 1 ONLINE: COX CERTIFICATION COURSE"

Palmer College of Chiropractic offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2015. For information contact Kati Sproston at 1-563-884-5715.

- "ACTIVATOR METHODS ONLINE: TRACK 1"
- 2. "CHIROPRATIC EVALUATION"
- "CLINICAL IMAGING 6"
- "ORTHOPEDIC ASSESSMENT AND INTERPRETATION"
- "PETTIBON ONLINE: ANALYSIS & TREATMENT"
- "PETTIBON ONLINE: CASE MANAGEMENT & BILLING"
- "PETTIBON ONLINE: CLINICAL PROTOCOLS & HOME CARE" 7.
- "PETTIBON ONLINE: FUNCTIONAL NEUROLOGY"
- "PETTIBON ONLINE: FUNCTIONAL NUTRITION"
- 10. "PETTIBON ONLINE: FUNDAMENTALS"
- 11. "PETTIBON ONLINE: PATIENT ANALYSIS"
- 12. "PETTIBON ONLINE: POST TREATMENT REHAB"
- 13. "PETTIBON ONLINE PRE-REATMENT REHAB"
- 14. "PETTIBON ONLINE: X-RAY PROCEDURES"

Parker University offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2015. For information contact Teresa Wright at 1-800 266-4723.

- "BOUNDARIES WITH PATIENTS: CONFIDENTIALITY & SEXUAL MISCONDUCT'
- "CONSIDERATIONS FOR PATIENTS WITH OSTEOPOROSIS"
- "DAVILA-PHILOSOPHY & MEDICAL NECESSITY 2014"
- "EXTREMITY ADJUSTING PROTOCOLS: THE FOOT"
- "FROM THE GROUND UP-GLOBAL POSTURAL PATTERNS OF THE HUMAN BODY"
- 6. "INTRO TO FUNCTIONAL TAPING"
- "PEDIATRIC EVALUATIONS MADE EASY" 7.
- "POWER OF SELF HEALING"
- "SUPPLEMENT CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE ATHLETE"

Southern California University of Health Sciences offers the following ONLINE course until December 2015. "ACTIVE CARE FOR THE LUMBAR SPINE FOR THE For information contact Yvonne Rabago at 1-562-902-3373.

"FUNCTIONAL DIAGNOSTIC MEDICINE TRAINING 2015"

Online Seminars Continued

University of Bridgeport College of Chiropractic offers the following ONLINE courses until December 2015. For information contact Paul Powers, DC at 1-860-463-9003.

- "ATHLETIC TIPS CERTIFICATION SEMINAR"
- "ALABAMA CHIROPRACTIC LAW (RULES AND REGULATIONS)"
- "ACCREDITED TRAINING FOR THE NATIONAL REGISTRY OF CERTIFIED MEDICAL EXAMINERS 301"
- "CODING AND DOCUMENTATION 201-202"
- "MANAGEMENT OF COMMON CONDITION 208-211"
- "MANUAL MUSCLE TESTING 201-206"
- "NEUROLOGY 115-116"
- "NEUROLOGY 117-121"
- "PHYSICAL THERAPY 101-105"
- 10. "SOFT TISSUE INJURIES 106"
- 11. "XRAY 147-153"

University of Western States offers the following ONLINE courses until November 2015. For information contact Cathy Evans at 1-503-847-2611.

- "ANCILLARY DIAGNOSTIC TESTING PROCEDURES"
- "CHIROPRACTIC GUIDE TO SYMPTOMS AND DISEASE"
 "CHIROPRACTIC SPORTS MEDICINE"
- 4. "GERIATRIC HEALTH CARE"
- 5. "PAIN MANAGEMENT"
- 6. "SPORTS INJURIES"

BOARD QUARTERLY PER	RFORMANCE REPORT
Applications Sent	10
Transcripts Processed	132
New License Issued	6
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Disciplinary Hearings	2
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Condolences

Dr. Richard L. Carman. Dr. Carman graduated Life Chiropractic College in 1983 and received his Alabama license in 1983. He lived and practiced in Talladega, AL.

Upcoming Seminars

The Seminars listed below have been approved by the Alabama Board for CCE

A+ Chiropractic presents the following courses. For information contact Scott Martin, DC at 828-550-7568.

"Dynamic Spinal & Extremity Adjusting" 12 hours August 22 in Huntsville, AL, August 29 in Mobile, AL and September 19 in Birmingham, AL.

"Nutrition for the Subluxation Complex" 4 hours August 23 in Huntsville, August 30 in Mobile, AL and September 20 in Birmingham, AL.

<u>Carrick Institute</u> presents the following courses. For information contact Monica Russo at 321-868-6464.

"801 Nevron Theory" 15 hours July 18-19 in Orlando, FL.

"822 Physical Exam" 15 hours August 15-16 in Atlanta, GA.

<u>Chiropractic Society of Alabama</u> presents the following course. For information contact Louis Poe, DC at 205-967-4444.

"Making Nutrition Work for You in Your Office (includes 2 hours AL Law)" 12 hours August 8-9 in Birmingham, AL.

<u>Daniel Dock</u> presents the following course. For information contact Karen Dock at 218-525-2033.

"Traumatic Lumbar Syndrome" 16 hours August 29-30 in Orange Beach, AL and September 12-13 in Birmingham, AL.

Fetterman Events presents the following courses. For information contact Kris Fetterman at 517-983-2060.

"Advanced Rehabilitation Exercise & Treatments" 12 hours August 10 in Huntsville, AL.

"Understanding Laser Therapy" 12 hours September 12 in Montgomery, AL.

ICPA, Inc. presents the following courses. For information contact Corinne Pitts at 610-565-2360.

"Eval & Adjusting Protocols: Correcting Primary Spinal & Cranial Subluxation" 12 hours August 1-2 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

"Neurology of the VSC & Thompson Technique 2" 12 hours July 11-12 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

Life University presents the following courses. For infor-

mation contact Melissa Scharffenberg at 770-426-2753.

""CCEP MOD 5: Extremity Soft Tissue Diagnosis & Treatment by Manual Methods" 15 hours July 18-19 in Marietta, GA.

"CCEP MOD 6: Advanced Rehabilitation of the Extremities" 15 hours August 22-23 in Marietta, GA.

"ICD-10 Boot Camp" 8 hours August 8 in Marietta, GA.

New York Chiropractic College presents the following course. For information contact Cynthia Logatto at 516-796-5923.

"Active Release Technique-Spine" 21 hours July 23-26 in Nashville, TN.

Palmer College presents the following courses For information contact Kati Sproston at 563-884-5715.

"Orthospinology Annual Conference" 20 hours August 28-30 in Atlanta, GA.

<u>Sherman College of Chiropractic</u> presents the following courses. For information contact Debbie Cordero at 864-578-8770.

"Chiropractic Management of Visceral Conditions" 12 hours August 8-9 in Montgomery, AL.

"Florida Chiropractic Society" 20 hours August 15-16 in Palm Beach, FL.

Southern California University of Health Sciences presents the following course. For information contact Yvonne Rabago at 562-902-3373.

"Kinesio Taping Fundamental & Advanced Concepts (KT3 & KT4)" 16 hours August 1-2 in Hanceville, AL.

Texas Chiropractic College presents the following course. For information contact Mary Denby at 281-998-6027.

"Foundational Laboratory Analysis" 12 hours September 19-20 in Atlanta, GA.

<u>Turning Point Logistic Systems</u> presents the following course. For information contact Angel Tribuno, DC at 770-605-1218.

"CBP Pediatrics" 12 hours July 18-19 in Atlanta, GA.

<u>University of Bridgeport</u> presents the following course. For information contact Marie Jeffries, or Eileen Herlihy-Sanitago at 203-576-4880.

"Mastering the Thyroid" 20 hours July 17-19 in Atlanta, GA.

<u>University of Bridgeport Health Sciences</u> presents the following courses. For information contact Mare Jeffries at 203-576-4880.

"Florida Chiropractic Physicians Association Education Symposium" 107/30 possible hours July 31-August 2 in Orlando, FL

"Fundamentals of Functional Blood Chemistry" 16 hours July 18-19 in Hollywood, FL.

"Mastering Brain Chemistry" 22 hours August 21-23 in Tampa, FL.

<u>University of Western States</u> presents the following courses. For information contact Cathy Evans at 503-847-2611.

"Graston Technique" 12 hours July 25-26 in Atlanta, GA, August 1-2 in Tampa, FL, and September 19-20 in Miami, FL.

"Preventing Athletic Injuries" 12 hours September 12 in Birmingham, AL.

Thank You for Your Positive Comments

...these Newsletters are awesome. Full of good information. Thanks for doing such a good job with these...

New Online Service

The Initial Licensure Application is now available ONLINE! To access this application on our website www.chiro.alabama.gov you will click on the Online Services tab then on Initial Licensure. (This is only available for regular applications.) Then there are just a few simple steps to complete the online application and begin the process of obtaining a license to practice in our great state!

Mandated Child Abuse/Neglect Reporter Training

The Board has added a link to the Mandated Child Abuse/
Neglect Reporter Training to our website.
(http://training.dhr.alabama.gov) The training will assist you in recognizing the early signs of child abuse and neglect. It also includes information on how, when and where to make a report of child abuse and neglect.

Chiropractors are included in Section 26-14-3. This section requires you to report suspected child abuse and neglect to the proper authorities.

Renewal Reminders

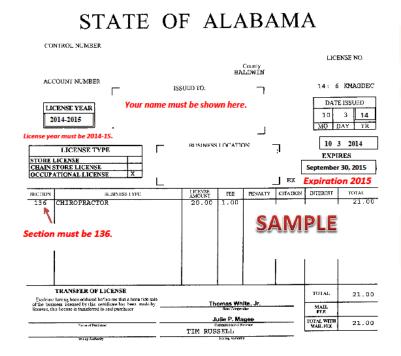
All documents required for renewal must be in the Board office 2 business days prior to accessing the online renewal application. You will no longer be allowed to login and complete the application unless the system can verify our office has your 18 continuing education hours including 2 hours in AL Law (4 hours AL Law for new licensees), the correct business license and your citizenship documentation on file.

For the 2015-16 Renewal Period the correct business license will be the license which expires 9/30/2015. (See sample below.)

Please remember that seminars are not retroactively approved. If you practice in Alabama be sure to verify that there is a (6) six digit Alabama approval number assigned to the seminar prior to registering for a seminar you are planning to use for renewal. If you practice outside Alabama you may use seminars approved by the state in which you practice.

All licensees, unless in a Retired status, are required to obtain the Alabama Law hours.

If you have any questions, please contact the Board office.



Reminder to Keep Your Address Current

Are You Using an office address as your mailing address?

If you prefer to receive your Board mail at your office rather than at your home address this is acceptable. However, if you do it is important to remember to update your mailing address information if you change office locations. Failing to do so will result in important correspondence from the Board not getting to you.

Also, if you have an email address remember to update it if there are any changes. It is important to have a current email address on record with the Board since we send important information and deadline reminders regarding your license by email. Email addresses can also be updated online when renewing your license or by providing the information in writing by email, fax or regular mail to the Board office. Please include your name, any address you wish to change and license number.

Remember, it is your responsibility to periodically check the contact information we have on file for you and insure it is correct.

Rule 190-X-5-.03 Notification Of Change Of Address. Each licensed chiropractor or permit holder shall file their mailing, office, and residential and email address with the Executive Director of the Board and notify the Board of any changes of address in writing within fifteen (15) days of such address changes.

(1) Written notice shall list old addresses and new addresses and effective date of change. Notice may be submitted via facsimile, email or regular mail.



Renewal Changes per ACT 2015-275

Please note the following changes in late fees per ACT 2015-275. The late fees effective for the 2015-16 renewal period are October \$100, November \$200, and December \$300. These fees will be effective October 1, 2015. The renewal application will be available beginning August 15, 2015.

This will allow 6 weeks to renew without any penalties. Please be sure to renew prior to October 1, 2015 to avoid any of these fees.

The renewal fee for Non Licensed Clinic Owner Permits has also changed to \$300.

Legislative Changes

HB190 now ACT 2015-275 made the following changes to our section of the Code of Alabama:

- An elected Board Member must maintain all original candidate qualifications to remain in their position for the entire term. This was requested by the ASCA.
- Adds the ability for the Board to issue a duplicate certificate if requested. This
 was requested by the licensees of the Board.
- ◆ The amount for license issue and duplicate is now \$75. This is a cost recovery fee determined by increases in mail fees, etc.
- The cap (maximum fee) for renewal each year was raised. These increases were needed in case the Board has to use the Board reserves to help offset STAARS expense to our small agency. The amount our agency is being charged for this new accounting program is \$84,000 to be paid over a 3 year period. The \$400 with increase/decrease not more than \$25 per year was agreed upon with the ASCA. The renewal fee did not change for 2015-16.
- Continuing education hours may now be carried over for one year. All licensees and permit holders are still required to obtain the Alabama Law hours each year.
- + The late fees increased to \$100 for October, \$200 for November and \$300 for December. This change will not effect licensees who renew timely.
- A set length of time was established for someone to reinstate by demonstrating renewal requirement compliance and payment of a fee but does not require a background check or any other requirements.
- Clarification was added regarding collection of an annual monitoring fee only from licensees participating in the Wellness program. Also clarifies the Board can expend those funds as needed to operate the Wellness Program.
- Provides that a licensee reinstating (as far as educational requirements are concerned when reinstating the license) must only meet the educational requirements applicable at the time of initial licensure. For example someone licensed in 1960 who reinstates or anyone who graduated before January 1, 2010 would not be ineligible because they did not have a Bachelors degree.
- Adds the provision for a licensee or permit holder who has a current Order or Agreement issued by the Board that includes payment installments to renew if such payments are current.

Watch for our informative 2015 Renewal Newsletter August 15! It contains important information regarding your license/permit renewal. And as always you may contact the Board office with any questions.

Disciplinary Actions

Kenneth G. Edwards, DC Correction (Phenix City, AL) License # 0829 - Board order finding violation of Code of Alabama 1975 § 34-24-166(b)(1), § 34-24-166(b)(3), § 34-24-166(b)(11) and § 34-24-166(b)(14) and assessing an administrative fine in the amount of \$10,000. License on probation for 2 years.

Debra R. Jones, DC (Tuscaloosa, AL) License # 1705 - Board order finding violation of Code of Alabama 1975 § 34-24-166(b)(3), § 34-24-166(b)(11) and § 34-24-166(b)(14) and assessing an administrative fine in the amount of 4,500 and costs of \$500. License on probation for 1 year.

Complaints Received

The Board has received 18 complaints to date this fiscal year and 8 have been resolved without any action.

Several others are still pending investigation.

Continuing Education for Renewal

Always make sure any seminar you are attending that is to be used as continuing education for renewal is approved by the Board. Please submit your certificates as soon as you receive them instead of waiting until you are ready to renew. Remember it is your responsibility to submit your certificates to the Board.

Congratulations to those licensed since April 2015



Sherman L. Connell
Thomas Crumbley
Terry B. Groce
Jill Harbin
Elizabeth A. Johnson
Jeff Phillips
Christopher C. Toney
Sandy C. Trail
Justin L. Walbom
Jacob C. Waldrop

Arthur G. Chow

Of Hoover, AL
Of Huntsville, TN
Of Birmingham, AL
Of Anniston, AL
Of Huntsville, AL
Of Mobile, AL
Of Sacramento, CA
Of Jackson, MS
Of Fort Walton Beach. FL
Of Huntsville, AL
Of Cullman, AL

DATES TO CALENDAR

The Board will meet:

August 7, 2015
Clanton Board Office

September 18, 2015 Clanton Board Office

2015 State Holidays

The Board Office will be closed on the following:

Independence Day July 3

Labor Day September 7

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.

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