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THE BOARD CONGRATULATES

Dr. Maggie Colucci for being voted in as the first female

President of the FCLB!

And

Ms. Tracy DiFillippo, Esq. for receiving the Vegas Inc. Award!

Message from the President

As summer approaches, I want to take a moment and express my gratitude to all the hard working chiropractic physicians and chiropractor's assistants in Nevada. I appreciate each of you working with the Board to complete your annual license renewals and your self-inspection reports in a timely manner. I appreciate your assistance and dedication to your duties and responsibilities as a licensee.

The Nevada Legislature recently concluded its 79th session in Carson City, Nevada. I want to say "thank you" to Mendy Elliott and her team from Capitol Partners for their hard work keeping us informed on the numerous bills that were heard. I want to say "thank you" to Dr. Jim Overland, NCA President and their lobbyist Marlene Lockard. Dr. Overland and myself worked countless hours with the Nevada Physical Therapy Examiners' Board and the Nevada Physical Therapy Association on SB 437/SB 142 to ensure, not only, public protection and public safety for patients in Nevada, but to ensure only those individuals who hold an active chiropractic license are performing a "thrust" manipulation/adjustment in our great State. I also want to thank our board counsel, Mr. Louis Ling and the dedication he has for our Board. Mr. Ling, also worked countless hours, once again, during the legislative session helping guide us legally through the session. Lastly, I want to thank the NCC and Dr. Stephanie Youngblood for their assistance and input on SB 437/SB 142. Together, the CPBN and the NCA were able to remove controversial language regarding Grade V mobilization and diagnosis from the physical therapist bill. Unfortunately, the Physical Therapy Association's lobbyist (Rocky Finseth) was able to kill the CPBN bill, AB 456, which would have expedited the licensure process in the State of Nevada for qualified applicants.

As President, I have the honor of congratulating Dr. Maggie Colucci for becoming the first woman President in the history of the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Board (FCLB). The Board is so proud

Message from the President Continued.....

of all the hard work and dedication she has for public safety and public protection as well as ethics in the standard of student testing with the NBCE. Congratulations again Dr. Colucci! The Board applauds you and are so proud of you!

Lastly, I want to thank executive director Julie Strandberg and licensing specialist Brett Canady for their hard work and dedication to the Board. The staff continues to keep up with license renewals, continuing education, testing, applications and many more duties and they do a tremendous job! Thank you for the work you put in on a daily basis!

Have a great summer,

Dr. Benjamin S. Lurie Chiropractic Physician President of the Chiropractic Physicians Board of Nevada

2017 LEGISLATION

AB 328: Revised provisions relating to professional licensing Boards within Chapter 622A. The revised language is as follows:

- Requires an attorney to be an independent contractor if they act as legal counsel to more than one regulatory body and carry a policy of professional liability insurance;
- Prohibits a person from being employed as an executive director by more than one regulatory body;
- The Department of Administration shall adopt regulations

- establishing standards for the financial operation and administration of regulatory bodies;
- Removes the exemption for regulatory bodies that issue professional licenses and are not under the direct supervision of a department of the Executive Branch of State Government, except the Contractors Board;
- Prohibits a deputy attorney general from acting as legal counsel for a regulatory body in a contested case if he or she

- prosecuted the contested case before the regulatory body;
- Prohibits an attorney who is employed or retained as legal counsel to a regulatory body from prosecuting a contested case before the regulatory body at any time while employed or retained by the regulatory body.

HOUSEKEEPING

CHIROPRACTOR'S ASSISTANTS

- ★ Pursuant to NAC 634.350 (1) An applicant for a certificate as a chiropractor's assistant must file an application with the Board on a form furnished by the Board and pay the required fee within <u>15 days</u> after the date on which the applicant has begun performing duties as a chiropractor's assistant.
- ★ Pursuant to NAC 634.419 (5) A licensee shall notify the Board within <u>15 days</u> after an employee or independent contractor who is authorized pursuant to this section to provide services to the patients of the licensee leaves the employ of or is no longer retained by the licensee.
- ★ CA Application <u>Chirobd.nv.gov</u> ~ Please contact the Board office at 775.688.1921 if you have any questions.

CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIANS'

★ Please refer to NAC 634.515 through 634.570 to confirm your Advertising is in compliance with the Board's Regulations

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Prior to taking a CE course please confirm that the course has been approved by the Nevada Chiropractic Physicians' Board or is PACE approved. View approved courses at the following link:

<u>Continuing Education</u>

Continuing Education certificates may be uploaded through the online portal during your renewal Period (Every odd year for CA's and every even year for DC's). You may also fax, mail, or e-mail your certificates to the Board office. Please note, it is the responsibility of the DC or CA to retain copies of your CE certificates.

PRECEPTOR PROGRAM

Become a Preceptor

Many Nevada chiropractors are not aware of the opportunity to participate in the Board's Preceptor Program. A preceptor is a licensed chiropractor who mentors a chiropractic student and provides clinical experience in the chiropractor's office over the course of a two to three months. Here are some things to note about being a preceptor:

- ★ Both the preceptor and the chiropractic student must submit an application and be approved by the Board
 - Preceptor must have malpractice insurance, be approved as a preceptor by the chiropractic college where the student attends, and have been licensed as a DC for at least five years (two of which must be in Nevada)
 - Student must not work for more than 40 hours per week.
- ★ Student must be enrolled in a college of chiropractic, be in their final academic year, be in good standing with their respective college, and have completed the necessary clinical hours required to participate.
- ★ Student must always be under direct supervision of the preceptor (i.e. preceptor cannot use the student for vacation relief, sick leave, to see patients at their second office, etc.).
- ★ Students may adjust patients and do most chiropractic physician duties.

Participating in the Preceptor Program is a great way for students to gain clinical experience and to learn how to manage a private practice. As a former student intern that has participated in this program, I know that this experience was extremely valuable and provided me with the opportunity to learn about real-life practice – something that is difficult to learn in a classroom or in a student clinic.

Morgan Rovetti, DC Board Member Preceptor Committee Chair

EXAMINATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Chiropractic Physicians' who passed the exam for DC licensure.

Stephen Kyle Banes, DC Crystal Marie Glaser, DC Christopher Scott Robey, DC

Bret Covey Brown, DC Bryan Keith Hawley, DC Lori Lee Ugolik, DC Kyle Caleb Buth, DC Mark Steven Kirk, DC John Francis Walsh, DC

Michael Cody Dauria, DC Nicole Lynn Laska, DC

CONGRATULATIONS to those who passed the Chiropractor's Assistant exam on February 16, 2017.

Stephany AlcalaRebecca FloresThania Ortiz-BravoNatasha AmatoAngelica FrancoMelvin PattersonBernadette T. BaldonadoSamantha GradyTamora Perez

Paola Czares-Montes Erica Gutierrez Christina R. Robertson
Pamela Chalhoub Alejandro Gutierrez-Almazan Samantha R. Tamayo

Edna Contreras Riley Holcomb Jamie Torres

Aricia Dami Theresa Lynn K. Kekahuna Maria C. Velazquez Zachary Dixon Jessica R. McKelvey Kimberly A. Wenger

Kerri Eaton Charles Morgan

The next CA exam will take place on August 17, 2017 at the Boards' office complex in Reno and at the College of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas. Applicants working full-time (21 hours or more per week) must have completed six months of on-the-job training and applicants working part-time (less than 21 hours per week) must have completed one year of on-the-job training, or have attained equivalent education to sit for the examination. **Please select the following link for the CA reference guides: References for Chiropractic Assistants**

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Alan Bader, DC, License Number B00567 Effective April 21, 2017

On April 21, 2017 Dr. Bader entered into a Settlement Agreement and Order with the Chiropractic Physicians' Board of Nevada for violations of NRS 634.018(10) for conduct unbecoming a chiropractor or detrimental to the best interests of the public, NRS 634.018(11) for violating any statute or regulation pertaining to chiropractic, and NRS 634.140(1) for unprofessional conduct and NAC 634.430(1)(a) for engaging in sexual misconduct with a patient, NAC 634.430(1)(n) for allowing unlicensed person to provide patient care services, and NAC 634.435 for medical records. Note: In the Settlement Agreement and Order, Dr. Bader did not admit to the conduct at issue but did agree that the Board possessed evidence that could substantiate its allegations.

Dr. Bader shall pay \$1,629.80 for the Board's fees and costs and a fine of \$5,000.00 by May 21, 2017, take and pass the Ethics and Boundaries examination and complete four hours of continuing education relating to Ethics and Boundaries and four hours of continuing education relating to making and keeping of patient records by October 21, 2017, and take and pass the Nevada jurisprudence exam by July 21, 2017. Dr. Bader's license will be on probation and have a practice monitor for two years.

Board Members

Dr. Benjamin S. Lurie, President

Dr. Margaret Colucci, Vice President,

Dr. Jason O. Jaeger, Secretary-Treasurer

Dr. Xavier Martinez, Member

Dr. Morgan Rovetti, Member

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Please watch for Board correspondence via email and regular mail!

Have a safe and wonderful summer!