



2004 FCLB Outstanding Regulatory Board

Each year, the accomplishments of one board set a new standard for chiropractic regulation.

They model for others the excellence that marks the daily responsibilities of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the public.

They say it can be done – and then they do it.

This year's FCLB award for outstanding chiropractic regulatory board recognizes one board's innovative and proactive efforts.

The regulatory world has expanded to include a better understanding of the professional obligations which come with the license to practice.

No longer are boards limited only to punitive intervention.

The ethical obligations of the board itself include active outreach, involvement, and education.

This board sets a new and higher standard for board performance in regulation.

From paper tools – to website development,
from personal interactions – to Internet -based orientation,
these people have taken the board of tomorrow and brought it into clear focus today.

The foundation for their creativity is their commitment to ethics.

Without hesitation, they faced the ethical crisis within the profession and didn't back down.

Determining that some violations could be avoided, they decided to implement better orientation for new licensees, despite the lack of a legislative mechanism to mandate it.

A creative solution emerged
by marrying the orientation program with the jurisprudence exam.

They utilized streaming video technology, combined with PowerPoint type slides,
to present seven program areas.

This innovative and cost-effective approach has been highlighted as a model for other professions by the Director of the state Division of Consumer Affairs.

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Under the guidance of their dedicated and insightful president, this board has taken a leadership role within Federation committees as well.

She and the board exec also arranged for FCLB members to participate in a highly successful program in ethics intervention by an organization associated with Rutgers University. Another board member has developed new avenues of communication with both state and national law enforcement agencies.

These are expected to yield more effective investigation and discipline.

Their board exec has distinguished himself both within the state regulatory community and on a national level as a speaker, teacher, and thoughtful analyst.

He is the first board executive to serve on the Federation's board of directors.

For their creativity

in overcoming statutory obstacles and limited resources,

for their commitment

to developing character, professionalism, and ethics in their board and licensees,

and for their willingness

to volunteer generously their ideas and talent with the Federation family,

please join me in extending our appreciation and recognition to the FCLB's **2004** Outstanding Regulatory Board,

The New Jersey State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

Will the members of the New Jersey delegation please come forward to accept this award?

Dr. Mary Ellen Rada
Dr. Larry O'Connor
Mr. Kevin Earle

*Presentation by Dr. Richard L. Cole, FCLB President, at the
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