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FCLB Member Board Chairs and Executive Directors
Via Email

Dear Regulator,

On behalf of the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB), we offer our sincere gratitude for your leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic. Providing timely and responsive regulation during the evolving challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic shows your dedication and perseverance.

We are working to assist not just our member boards with services designed to ease administrative burdens, but to assist all jurisdictions within our Districts during these unprecedented times. Our programs, as well as our continually updated COVID-19 Resources and Response page, can be found at https://www.fclb.org/. Please feel free to reach out to Dr. Jon Schwartzbauer, executive director of the FCLB, for guidance and more information.

Telehealth has become a renewed area of focus for many of our member Boards, and FCLB is facilitating a national and international clearinghouse of evolving governmental regulations and agency resources as well as statutes, rules, and policies regarding telehealth requirements and applications. An application under discussion is chiropractic telehealth for new patients. The Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners has published a policy that allows telehealth for new and established patients, which can be found on FCLB’s website.

The FCLB’s greatest strengths are collaborative problem solving and innovation. Though each jurisdiction is unique and has its own strengths and limitations, many are facing the same challenges. We urge each board to keep the FCLB apprised of the updates made to their policies and regulations that result from the emerging needs of the pandemic, so that other boards may use those successes as springboards for their own thoughtful COVID-19 responses.

Again, during these difficult and rapidly changing times, we are truly grateful for your participation and leadership.

We stand ready to assist you as we address what will likely be the most significant crisis of our time.

Sincerely,

FCLB COVID-19 Committee
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