THANK YOU

Thanks to everyone who participated in this year’s District meetings in Quebec City, Quebec; Portland, Oregon; and Fort Walton Beach, Florida. It was a pleasure to meet with all of you. Special thanks to the Quebec and Oregon Chiropractic Associations as well as Standard Process for their contributions. Also, thanks to Dr. Craig Little of the CCE and the various district representatives of the NBCE.

DISTRICT MEETING UPDATE

This year’s FCLB regional meeting focused on many challenges currently facing regulators, including the opioid epidemic and dry needling.

As in past years, the roundtable discussions sparked the greatest collaboration. Some of the hot issues we discussed were settlement agreements, monitoring arrangements, and dual relationships.

The FTC/Supreme Court decision continues to be of great interest. Many boards are just beginning find out how this decision will affect board operations. We’ll keep you updated.

Specialty certifications are a big issue for all of our boards. How do boards evaluate the validity of certifications? How do advertising rules apply so that patients aren’t misled about the quality of training involved?

A new question we anticipate our boards will begin hearing soon is “Can I conduct FAA pilot exams?” Thanks to Dr. Mike Megehee for bringing us up to speed on medical exams for pilots so our boards can begin making informed decisions.

As we discussed at the meeting, I encourage all of our boards to take a close look at their operations and make whatever changes are necessary to keep them effective and efficient. Consider training for new board members as well as yearly self-evaluations.
CIN-BAD

Our Chiropractic Information Network – Board Action Databank is getting ready to come to you! A complete system upgrade is in the works and CIN-BAD will soon be getting a new look and a new feature. The Action Notification System (ANS) will allow your board to register your full licensee list in CIN-BAD and get immediate notifications whenever actions are reported for one of your doctors. Keep an eye out for beta testing soon.

PACE

In FCLB news, the PACE program is growing. Following a resolution put forth at our Phoenix conference in which members voted to encourage PACE participation from every board, we’ve added new services and flexibility for PACE boards and PACE users. If your board currently accepts PACE, please consider asking your staff to add a link to your website. Helping licensees find quality CE can streamline your processes significantly.

Additionally, we now have online access to CE reports for any licensees who’ve taken a PACE course. When it’s time to audit your licensee’s continuing education, chiropractors with PACE credits can simply click to send an email report directly to your board. No more paper tsunamis!

CCCA

Another service available to your board is the Certified Chiropractic Clinical Assistant (CCCA) program. As more boards look at patient safety and chiropractic assistants, the need for uniform standards is increasing. Like all of our programs and services, the CCCA is designed so you don’t have to reinvent the wheel. If you are considering language to regulate chiropractic assistants, please contact us to learn how this program might help your board.

TEMPORARY LICENSURE

Does your board have provisions for DCs who travel with sports teams or offer disaster relief? A recent FCLB PowerPoll shows that only 14 member boards offer a temporary license that allows travel to treat. Consider checking out the FCLB’s model language to include this important service for your jurisdiction’s patients.

CBAC & CBLAC

Chiropractic board administrators and legal advisor committees are planning to meet on Friday, May 4, 2018 during the FCLB’s annual conference in Dallas, Texas. We are already hard at work collecting agenda topics and look forward to posting further details online after the first of the year.

Should you wish further information about this or any of the FCLB meetings, you may always contact our board via e-mail. You can also view the minutes of all our FCLB board meetings online.

A note from NBCE:

NBCE to Conduct a Chiropractic Career Survey
Young people considering their future want to make informed decisions. They need facts and evidence that prove their investment in a chiropractic education will pay off. In order to define the profession and to describe the appeal of a future in chiropractic, the NBCE is collaborating with the Association of Chiropractic Colleges to conduct a survey of the chiropractic profession.

Through the ChiroCareerSurvey, we will ask what do chiropractors find most rewarding about their work? How quickly can students pay back their educational debt? The NBCE wants to know, and we need your help.

Surveys will be distributed by email from organizations, such as the American Chiropractic Association, college alumni lists, etc. It is possible that you will receive more than one invitation to complete the survey, but please complete only one. The survey is accessible only on the Internet.

The email will contain a link to your UNIQUE survey. It is approximately 65 questions long, including demographics. The unique link provided allows you to exit the survey and return to complete it if you are interrupted.

Thank you for your help with this important survey.