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Dr. R. Beacham Appointed PCCW Dean of Business/External Affairs

Palmer College of Chiropractic West (PCCW) has appointed Palmer College alumnus Richard Beacham, DC to the position of dean of Business and External Affairs. He joined the Palmer West faculty following 10 years of private practice in Monterey, and during his seven years with PCCW, Dr. Beacham has served in numerous clinical and administrative roles including director of Clinic Administrative Affairs and director of the Outreach Clinic.

A 1972 graduate of the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Dr. Beacham was a career Navy officer prior to and concurrent with his chiropractic career. He retired from the U.S. Naval Reserve with the rank of captain in 1993, after having served in a number of command positions. Dr. Beacham is a member of the Oversight Advisory Committee that established project guidelines which led to the 1995 introduction of chiropractic care provided at several U.S. military hospitals. He continues to serve as senior policy consultant with the Department of Defense and as a member of the Oversight Advisory Committee.

As dean of Business and External Affairs, Dr. Beacham will work closely with the President's Office, the Alumni Office, and the Palmer Chiropractic University Office. In addition, he will also chair the college's Operations Management Group and other key facilities and operations committees.

"I'm please, greatly excited, and somewhat awed at what the future looks like," said Dr. Beacham. "I'm particularly excited at the opportunity to work with the Palmer West alumni. After working with many students over the years it will be fun to see them again, to learn about their professional experiences since graduation, and to learn how Palmer West and can further help them reach their personal and professional goals as practicing doctors."

Famed Researcher Pran Manga, PhD Speaks at Life West

Renowned researcher Pran Manga, PhD, author of the widely read Manga Report commissioned by the Ministry of Health of the Province of Ontario documenting the economic benefits of chiropractic, presented "Socio-Economic Issues in Chiropractic" to the public at Life West on March 7th. Dr. Manga is a professor of health economics at the University of Ottawa, and has authored 27 books and over 80 published journal articles, including "Findings and Recommendations from an Independent Review of Chiropractic Management of Low Back Pain." The lecture was part of the Life West Research Seminar Series.

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