

California Forum

Editorial Staff

Soft Tissue and Mercy Guidelines Head Topics at Winter Conferences

"Objectifying Soft Tissue Injury: Prove through Documentation the Extent of Injury to Your Workers' Compensation and Personal Injury Patients," and "The Mercy Conference Guidelines Related to Soft Tissue Injury" were topics selected by the California Chiropractic Foundation (CCF) for its two day winter conferences January 23-24 in Santa Clara and February 13-14 in Los Angeles.

Noted speakers include: Garrett Casey, D.C., specialist in workers' compensation medical/legal evaluations; Louis Sportelli, D.C.; Shawn Steel, attorney and personal injury specialist; Stuart Baumgard, M.D., orthopedic surgeon; Andrew Deutsch, M.D., MRI expert; Ronald Lawrence, M.D., professor at UCLA's Neuropsychiatric Institute; Howard J. Ross, medical management consultant; and Murray Solomon, M.D., an MRI medical director.

"All doctors of chiropractic need to understand the documentation and the protocol for soft tissue injuries as spelled out in the Mercy Conference Guidelines," said Dr. Jerilynn Kaibel, CCA convention chair. For more information on the February 13-14 seminar, contact the CCF at (916) 387-0177.

College Highlights

Palmer West

Faculty Member Publishes Textbook

Greg Plaughter, D.C., an assistant professor at PCCW has authored the Textbook of Clinical Chiropractic: A Specific Biomechanical Approach, published by Williams and Wilkins. According to Dr. Plaughter, the book was written from a clinical viewpoint and is thoroughly illustrated to facilitate comprehension.

Dr. Plaughter has been widely published in various national and international chiropractic journals, including the Chiropractic Journal of Australia, and the Journal of Manipulative and Physiological Therapeutics. He serves as a staff clinician in addition to his teaching duties and conducting research.

PCCW Appoints New Chairs: Dept. of Clinics, Dept. of Diagnosis

Dominick Scuderi, D.C. was appointed chairman of the PCCW department of clinics, effective winter quarter 1993. His responsibilities include: establishing policies and procedures in the clinic;

quality management of radiography courses and development of the radiology program; developing standards for the use of elective adjustive therapies and specialized evaluation procedures; and working with the supervisor of the student clinic to evaluate patient care needs and adherence to clinic procedures. Dr. Scuderi has had over 10 years of clinical experience in the academic and private sectors, and is a member of the ACA, the Council on Orthopedics, and Roentgenology/Diagnostic Imaging. He is a Palmer College graduate, and has been an associate clinical professor at Palmer West since 1988.

Dr. Thomas Souza was appointed the 1993 chairman of the department of diagnosis. His new responsibilities involve ongoing course review, departmental evaluation, program articulation, and development of strategies for improvement. Previously, Dr. Souza was the 1992 chairman of the department of clinics, in addition to his teaching duties. "We are pleased that Dr. Souza has accepted this position," said Dr. William DuMonthier, dean of academic affairs. "We look forward to a positive and mutually satisfying collaboration."

Dr. Souza has published several articles on knee and shoulder injuries in the chiropractic journals, and has an upcoming book Sports Injuries of the Shoulder to be published in the spring of 1993.

Cleveland Chiropractic College Los Angeles

CCCLA Celebrates Homecoming '93

On February 5-7, alumni and students from Cleveland Chiropractic College of Los Angeles (CCCLA) will celebrate the college's 85th anniversary during the three-day Homecoming '93 festival. A special award will be presented to Chancellor Carl Cleveland Jr. for his 50 years of service in chiropractic education.

Dr. William M. Harris, acclaimed chiropractic philanthropist, will kick off the homecoming activities with a message to the CCCLA students. Next comes a "Focus on the Future" forum with leaders from three of the largest chiropractic organizations in the world: Mr. Ron Hendrickson, executive director of the ICA; Dr. Lowry Morton, executive committee member of the ACA board of governors; and Mr. Garrett Cuneo, executive director of the CCA. Following the forum, CCCLA President Dr. Carl Cleveland III will serve as moderator of a question and answer session, and there will be seminars by Dr. Cleveland and other speakers.

CCCLA Has 22 Students Names to Who's Who

The 1993 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will include the names of 22 students from CCCLA. The students were chosen based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success. Students are selected from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and several foreign nations. The students from CCCLA are:

Steve Arthur	Michael Ihara
Roger Barnes	Ariane Lorda
Andrew Basham	Atousa Mahdavi
Mark Bennett	Sharona Matian

Kenneth Best	Myles Matsumoto
Bettina Binazzi	Michelle Miller
Eric Campbell	Brian Nishimoto
Pamela Downing	Russell Pisano
William Epstein	Gary Reid
James Hedgecock	Farzad Tayebaty
Bonnie Hill	Kyla Womack

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