

What If ... A Hypothetical Question

"History and obsolete philosophers kept chiropractic back from its rightful position in the healing profession of 1993" -- Case in Point:

San Diego, California, November 5-6, the 1st Interdisciplinary World Congress on "Low Back Pain and Its Relationship to the Sacroiliac Joint." Within one hour of San Diego there are approximately 10,000 doctors and/or students of chiropractic. Where were you all? Do you not treat low back pain or sacroiliac joint subluxation anymore?

Without question, this Congress presented significant literature, methodology, differential diagnosis, and some treatment protocol that the chiropractic profession needs to be aware of if it (the profession) is to maintain its status in the world today.

The chiropractic profession should be proud, with heads held high, as Dr. David Cassidy, D.C. presented a stellar paper on "The Anatomy and Development of the Articular Surface of the Sacroiliac Joint." It is also worth noting that Dr. Cassidy's work was referenced by most of the others presenting at this Congress.

Conspicuous by their absence were the educational institutes of the chiropractic profession. These institutions are supposed to be on the leading edge of the research of the 1990s. I guess that they did not want to hear that subluxations are not found on x-rays but on patients, and that there is no correlation between spondylitic deformation and radicular signs and symptoms, or that the treatment of choice was manual manipulation, not gadgetry or toys.

When is the profession going to get with it? The Congress was about what you and I do for a living. If in the near future chiropractic is bypassed by legislators, it will be chiropractic's fault. History and philosophy are just that -- history and philosophy. This is 1993 and there are many scientific studies to substantiate our profession.

There is some good news for those who will read this and see the light. MPI faculty was at the Congress and will teach the new differential diagnostic tests and update the subluxation complex to 1993 standards.

See you at the next S1 seminar with the new and exciting material.

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Editor's Note:

Dr. Innes will be conducting his next Lumbar and Pelvis seminar on January 23-24, 1993, in St. Louis, Missouri. You may register by dialing 1-800-359-2289.

