

News In Brief

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SCU Represented at ACC-RAC 2009

Nine faculty members and two students from Southern California University of Health Sciences have been accepted as presenters at the upcoming Association of Chiropractic Colleges Research Agenda Conference (ACC-RAC). Professor Kevin Rose and Chief of Staff Mike Sackett are scheduled to present "Preceptor Doctors' Perception of the Skills of Chiropractic Interns" at the educational topics session, while SCU faculty and students will make three presentations at the scientific poster session:

- Professor Emile Goubran, Assistant Professor Jonathan Carlos and Assistant Professor Samir Ayad will present "A Split Anterior Scalene Muscle: A Case Report."
- Professor Gene Tobias, Professor David Sikorski and Research Coordinator Anupama KizhakkeVeetil will present "Development of Students' Scholarship Skills."
- Assistant Professor Shari Wynd and students Daniel Bronstein and Jake Simmons will present "Chiropractic Care in the Treatment of Diabetic Neuropathies: A Systematic Review."

ACC-RAC 2009 will be held March 12-14 in Las Vegas. If you'd like to register for this event, visit <https://secure.mpamedia.com/accrac/registration.php>.

NBCE Fills Two Positions

Martin Kollasch, DC, MBA, and John Hyland, DC, DACBR, DABCO, MPH, recently joined the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) as the board's director of written examinations and senior chiropractic specialist, respectively. Dr. Kollasch is a longtime member of the board, serving previously as a staff chiropractic specialist, manager of international operations and director of international relations. He also played a key role in the development of the International Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the previous two editions of the *Job Analysis of Chiropractic*. Dr. Kollasch will now be responsible for item development, Delphi studies, test committees and the production of both written and computer-based exams, according to the board.

Dr. Hyland's position involves writing, editing and reviewing test items for all parts of the written examinations, moderating test committees, and participating in post-examination reviews. He will also assist the director of written examinations and director of testing in the preparation and review of the board's written and computerized exams. His previous board experience includes consulting work in practical testing.

New President of AVCA

Dr. Dean Giggelman, dean of academics at Parker College of Chiropractic, is the new president of

the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association (AVCA), after serving for the previous two years as president-elect. During his tenure, he hopes to advance animal chiropractic both in terms of the number of doctors becoming certified and the number of animals receiving the benefits of chiropractic care.

According to Dr. Giggleman, "The animal chiropractic profession is facing the same challenges as the chiropractic profession did with licensing issues ... We want to get more doctors certified and make sure that only those who are licensed are practicing animal chiropractic." Nearly 900 chiropractors are certified to perform veterinary chiropractic, a number of them through Parker College's AVCA-approved program. Dr. Giggleman helped establish the program at Parker and is an instructor in the certification course.

OUM Awards More Student Scholarships

The OUM Chiropractor Program awarded its latest student scholarships in November, with two chiropractic students receiving scholarships from the malpractice insurer for essays submitted earlier in the year. According to OUM, scholarships are awarded annually in May and November for the "best idea in the form of an essay, marketing campaign, or storyboard ... for marketing chiropractic care nationally as proactive health maintenance."

As of press time, both winners were preparing to graduate from their respective chiropractic colleges in December 2008. Ben Dohrmann attends Cleveland Chiropractic College - Kansas City; Joshua McMillon attends Western States Chiropractic College in Portland, Ore.

To support the OUM "Wellness Works" scholarship program (vendors) or to apply for a scholarship (students), visit www.oumchiropractor.com. Funding for the latest scholarship awards came courtesy of *Dynamic Chiropractic*, *Chiropractic Economics* and *Today's Chiropractic Lifestyle*.

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