

ACA College on Forensic Sciences Attains Council Status

The [American Chiropractic Association](#) (ACA) House of Delegates recently approved the elevation of ACA's College on Forensic Sciences (CFS) to council status during [the association's annual meeting](#) in Dallas, Texas. The council's charge will be to provide graduate and postdoctoral education and research in forensic sciences for forensic examiners. The council will continue to provide programs on topics such as impairment rating systems, independent medical examinations, fraud and abuse and published articles discussing functional (work) capacity and physical assessment.

In 2000, the College on Forensic Sciences worked aggressively to gain a seat in the ACA HOD and in 2002 was successful in establishing the college as a subsidiary of the Council on Chiropractic Orthopedics.

"The members of the Forensic College worked very hard to develop programs and interests in the forensic area in order to increase the membership," said CFS Educational Liaison Warren Jahn, DC. "Our status as a council will generate renewed interest in forensic diplomate courses and other educational offerings."

"We are happy to have the new Council on Forensic Science," added ACA President Rick McMichael, DC. "This level of representation brings a greater voice for the CFS membership and will ensure an increase in the level of awareness and education for forensic science in our profession."

According to Dr. Jahn, the CFS will continue its role as an advocate for quality forensic education and training programs and its work in developing clinical performance measures for evaluating impairment and disability. Additionally, CFS will continue to support the ACA's position of zero tolerance for fraud and abuse. CFS, Jahn noted, will also continue to fight for the rightful role as physicians within the major federal disability systems.

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