

## We Get Letters & E-Mail

Fed Up

Dear Editor,

Any thoughtful chiropractor who has ever questioned whether our profession needs to split needs only to read the January 3 issue of *Chiropractic Choice*, an official ICA publication. A sampling of this rather frightful issue includes the following:

1. "Palmer College Sues CCE";
2. "Life College Sues CCE";
3. "New Coalition of ICA, FSCO, WCA to Defend Chiropractic"; and
4. "...in this writer's opinion, chiropractic should be the care of choice in common bacterial infections." (Fred Barge, DC, PhC)

The question of an ICA/ACA merger versus unity is moot. The professional philosophical disparity is a chasm unlikely to be crossed, in this or any future generation.

I am fed up with being held accountable for the beliefs and actions of my colleagues who follow a dogmatic, fundamentalist chiropractic philosophy; just as I am quite certain they are fed up with my liberal, progressive, intellectual chiropractic views. There isn't room enough in this profession for both perspectives. Each chiropractor, and the public, would be far better served by a professional schism.

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### Cheap HIPAA-Compliant Product Offered

Dear Editor:

After noticing all the confusion and disinformation regarding the new HIPAA requirements (and the seeming silliness of the regulations themselves, in regard to issues such as compliant computer screen covers and sign-in sheets), I have come up with my own HIPAA-compliant product.

Last week, I noticed that several of my patients recognized each other in the reception room and started a conversation. I started to wonder if it were proper, according to HIPAA, for a patient to know or recognize another person within the confines of the office. Is this not also a privacy issue?

So, in response, I have invented the "HIPAA-compliant paper-bag mask." It is to be issued to each patient upon check-in at the front desk.

If you would like to purchase the product, just contact me, or you have my permission to go to your local grocery store and purchase some paper bags and make your own.

Frankly, I think the government needs to stay out of my business... it has no common sense, and HIPAA only supports my contention that the government has overstepped its boundaries. The government needs to be in submission to the people, not the other way around: we the people, cowering at every idiot whim of the government!

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