

MPI and Dynamic Chiropractic: Going their Separate Ways

THE CHALLENGES AND THE FUTURE!

The mission statements of MPI and Dynamic Chiropractic have over the past few years become significantly contrasted. For this reason, each has resolved to become two separate and entirely independent organizations, with the opportunities to move to higher levels of educational and journalistic expertise respectively.

The directors of MPI are Drs. Keith Innes, Mark King, and David Seaman. MPI will continue to be a non-profit organization dedicated to the dissemination of current and new information with respect to all aspects of chiropractic health care.

The Challenge

The MPI challenge is two-pronged. The first goal is for MPI to continually upgrade and vary its core continuing education programs (S1, S2, E1, E2), and to add from time to time specialty programs taught by experts from other disciplines (those whose expertise lie in a related field and pertain to the treatment of chiropractic patients). Such experts that are currently involved with MPI include Len Goodman, PhD, cardiovascular and exercise physiology; Ilias Ilyia, PhD, biochemistry, physiology, and nutrition; and David Gursky, PhD, author of the Neuropsychological Component of the Subluxation Complex. Obvious to all should be the fact that MPI is still very much committed to the reality that the component parts of the subluxation complex are yet to be common knowledge in each and every doctor of chiropractic's vocabulary. With the above goals in mind, MPI will continue to have a representative attend scientific and educational forums, wherever they may be, that deal with the components of the subluxation complex. An example of this would be the Second World Congress on Low Back Pain, which was held in San Diego on November 9-11, 1995. Information from this congress, as well as material from a number of the attending authors and speakers, is currently being taught in the core seminars.

In February 1996, MPI introduced a Chiropractic Neurology Diplomate program. This program is currently underway each month in Chicago with a second program slated for Toronto this coming June. This is a very comprehensive program with a dozen or more instructors from various specialty backgrounds presenting the very latest material with up to date reference lists and a plethora of "take home and use in the office tomorrow concepts and techniques." The thousands of doctors and students (MPI has taught the core programs to over 13,000 doctors and students) who have attended MPI programs over the last few years are very much aware of the many ongoing changes that find their way into the courses every month. This constant is a reflection of the updating of scientific and sound rationale approaches to a patients health care and satisfies the commitment to excellence and the mission statement of MPI.

The second of MPI's challenges is actually yours, the profession, to become as current as possible with

the science of chiropractic, remembering that it is a constantly changing aspect of chiropractic, while maintaining a strong chiropractic philosophy of the next 100 years. With MPI providing new and updated material, and the profession getting excited about the many new ways to diagnose, treat, and educate our patients, we should be in advance of others as we head into the uncertainties of managed health care.

The Future

The future for MPI is unbelievably exciting. Many new programs in a number of new directions are being considered, researched, and constructed at this very moment. Next year will bring forth at least two, possibly four, extremely exciting and clinically relevant courses for both doctors and students alike. Programs currently under preparation and revision include: (1) a two-part in depth look at "Stress, the Mind and the Body," team taught by Dr. J.P. Pawliw-Fry, BA, BPHE, DC, and Elizabeth Pawliw-Fry, B.Sc, M.HSc, PhD; (2) a new advanced module on the biomechanics of the foot, its impact on the back force transmission system and normal gait; and (3) an advanced pelvic course with diagnostics, palpation and adjustments to be included; and (4) a very involved individual sports biomechanics course. All of these courses are well on their way to being complete. MPI is very pleased to be in a position to present them to you in the very near future.

The directors of MPI thank you for your past support and look forward to the opportunity to present new material to every doctor and student of chiropractic, whether it be in the USA, Canada, Australia, or Europe.

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