

News in Brief

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Scope Victory for Nevada DCs

With all the talk these days about chiropractic scope of practice being threatened, it's refreshing to report on a state whose chiropractors have successfully increased their practice scope. The Nevada Chiropractic Association reports that the state's DCs have regained their ability to perform [pre-participation high-school physicals](#) courtesy of a June 2010 ruling by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) Board of Control.

The NIAA, the nonprofit organization that regulates and oversees all high-school athletic events in Nevada, voted on June 16 to include chiropractors in the eligible pool of providers designated to perform these physicals. Nevada DCs had been prohibited from participation for 10 years, according to the Nevada Chiropractic Association.

In addition, NCA President James Overland Sr., DC, has been invited to serve on the NIAA medical advisory committee, marking the first time in the NIAA's 88-year history that a doctor of chiropractic has been asked to join the committee.

Bad News for Axiom Worldwide

A slew of court documents obtained by *DC* suggest that Axiom Worldwide's major assets, "including but not limited to furniture, fixtures, equipment, materials, electronic items, computers, storage cabinets, machine parts and machinery," have been assigned to Progress Bank of Florida for auction.

Axiom Worldwide, LLC, is the manufacturer of the DRX9000 and similar spinal decompression systems. As of Aug. 20, 2010 the [Axiom Web site](#) remains active, and no information has been posted for current or prospective customers regarding the company's solvency.

Northeast Chiropractic Council Pledges Support to Summit

At their quarterly networking meeting in August, members of the Northeast Chiropractic Council (NECC) - the Connecticut Chiropractic Association, the Maine Chiropractic Association, the Massachusetts Chiropractic Society, the New Hampshire Chiropractic Association, the Association of New Jersey Chiropractors, the New York Chiropractic Council, the Vermont Chiropractic Association, New York Chiropractic College and the University of Bridgeport College of Chiropractic - introduced and passed a resolution to support the Chiropractic Summit via its endorsement in programs.

"Members of the Northeast Chiropractic Council feel the chiropractic profession is in need of direction and the Summit membership provide our best opportunity for focus and positive results," said Dr.

Frank Zolli, president of NECC and dean of UBCC. "With this in mind, the NECC felt it both appropriate and important to go on record and support the Summit and mainstream chiropractic. There is no place in our future for detractors and individuals who confuse issues or splinter the profession."

Dr. Lewis Bazakos Honored by NYCC With Alumnus Award

Dr. Lewis Bazakos, a 1978 New York Chiropractic College graduate, received the institution's 2010 Distinguished Alumnus award during NYCC homecoming ceremonies. In presenting the award, NYCC President Dr. Frank Nicchi cited Dr. Bazakos' extensive support of the college and the chiropractic profession, including his current [chairmanship of the Chiropractic Summit](#).

Dr. Bazakos served on the NYCC Board of Trustees from 1997 until 2009, serving as board chair from 2004-2007. His professional service also includes chairing the American Chiropractic Association Board of Governors and serving as president of the New York Chiropractic Council.

Dr. Clum Concludes Longtime WFC Executive Council Service

Dr. Gerard Clum, president of Life Chiropractic College West and a former president of the [World Federation of Chiropractic](#), recently concluded 10 years of service on the WFC Executive Council. During his tenure, Dr. Clum served as secretary-treasurer, second vice president and president. With the election of Dr. J. Michael Flynn as WFC president earlier this year, Dr. Clum wrapped up his service as past president.

"It was a privilege to serve on the executive committee during a very dynamic time of growth and impact of the World Federation of Chiropractic," said Dr. Clum.

Metagenics Chief Science Officer Honored by Natural Products Association

[Dr. Jeffrey Bland](#) was honored with the President's Award, the Natural Product Association's top honor, at the NPA national convention in June. Dr. Bland received the award for his "extensive service to the natural products industry and commitment to natural medical care and education." The NPA selection committee also praised Dr. Bland's "passion in his professional life that sets a standard of behavior for the treatment of others within the industry."

Co-founder of Bastyr University and founder of the Institute for Functional Medicine, Dr. Bland's background is in nutritional genomics, nutritional biochemistry and applied clinical nutrition. He is the author of nine books and the principal author of more than 100 peer-reviewed research articles.

"Selecting Dr. Bland for our President's Award was an easy choice," said Pat Sardell, NPA president. "He has dedicated so much of his career and energies to a pursuit that has benefited both the public and our industry."

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