The **Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** held a meeting at the Department of Health at 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT on January 31, 2013.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Scott, DC – Chairman

Faraneh Carnegie-Hargreaves – Public Member

Michele Imossi, DC

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Jean Rexford – Public Member

Sean Robotham, DC

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Stacy Schulman, Hearing Officer, DPH

Dr. Scott called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

Dr. Scott announced that Dr. Paul Powers resigned his position as a member of the Board. Dr. Scott expressed thanks to Dr. Powers for his many years of service to the Board and the citizens of Connecticut.

I. MINUTES

Dr. Imossi made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves to approve the minutes from the December 6, 2012 meeting.

II. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

A. <u>Investigations Update</u>

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported that there are 11 chiropractic cases currently under investigation by the Department of Public Health. In addition, 5 cases have been referred to the Department's Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance for further review.

III. OLD BUSINESS

Request for Declaratory Ruling - Bennett E. Siegel, DC

Dr. Imossi made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves, that the Board will issue a Declaratory Ruling by June 15, 2013 that nutritional counseling is within the scope of chiropractic practice. The motion passed unanimously. The Board will not address the issue of "body wraps."

IV. NEWBUSINESS

A. Request for Declaratory Ruling – Frank Anderson, DC

Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves made a motion, seconded by Dr. Imossi, that the Board will issue a Declaratory Ruling by June 15, 2013 that the use of Needle Electromyography is within the scope of chiropractic practice as long as it is used for "diagnostic purposes" and is a "method of examination for diagnosis and analysis taught in any school or college of chiropractic. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Approval of Chiropractic Colleges And Universities

Dr. Imossi made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves, that pursuant to § 20-27(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes, to approve only those colleges and universities that are accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education. The motion passed unanimously.

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C. <u>Delegates to the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards/National Board of Chiropractic Examiners</u>

Dr. Scott made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves, that Dr. Imossi be the Boards' 2013 delegate to the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards and the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, and that Dr. Scott be the alternate delegate. The motion passed unanimously.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted Matthew Scott, DC Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners The **Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** held a meeting at the Department of Health at 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT on June 6, 2013.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Michele Imossi, DC

Faraneh Carnegie-Hargreaves – Public Member

Jean Rexford - Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Matthew Scott, DC - Chairman

Sean Robotham, DC

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Stacy Schulman, Hearing Officer, DPH

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I. MINUTES

Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves made a motion, seconded by Dr. Imossi, to approve the minutes from the January 31, 2013 meeting.

II. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported that there are 13 chiropractic cases currently under investigation by the Department of Public Health. In addition, 2 cases have been referred to the Department's Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance for further review.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Request for Declaratory Ruling – Bennett E. Siegel, DC

Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rexford, that the Board adopt its Declaratory Ruling that nutritional counseling is within the scope of chiropractic practice. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Request for Declaratory Ruling – Frank Anderson, DC

Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves made a motion, seconded by Dr. Imossi, that the Board adopt its Declaratory Ruling that the use of Needle Electromyography is within the scope of chiropractic practice as long as it is used for diagnostic purposes and that it is a method of examination for diagnosis and analysis taught in schools or colleges of chiropractic. The motion passed with all in favor except Ms. Rexford who abstained.

IV. OFFICE OF LICENSURE REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE

Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges

Aaron Casey, DC – Petition No. 2011-615

Attorney David Tilles was present for the Department of Public Health. Attorney Craig Fontaine was present On behalf of Dr. Casey.

Ms. Rexford made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carnegie-Hargreaves, to approve the motion to withdraw the Statement of Charges in this matter. The motion passed and Dr. Imossi signed the Order.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m. on a motion by Imossi, Seconded by Powers.

Respectfully submitted Michele Imossi, DC Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners The **Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** held a meeting at the Department of Health at 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT on September 19, 2013.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Scott, DC, Chairman - via telephone

Candito Carroccia, DC - via telephone Michele Imossi, DC - via telephone

Faraneh Carnegie-Hargreaves – Public Member - via telephone

Jean Rexford - Public Member - via telephone

Sean Robotham, DC - via telephone

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Stacy Schulman, Hearing Officer, DPH

Dr. Scott called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Dr. Carroccia was welcomed to his first meeting as a member of the Board.

I. MINUTES

Dr. Imossi made a motion, seconded Ms. Rexford, to approve the minutes from the June 6, 2013 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

II. <u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES</u>

A. <u>Investigations Update</u>

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported that there are 12 chiropractic cases currently under investigation by the Department of Public Health. In addition, 2 cases have been referred to the Department's Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance for further review.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Robotham made a motion, seconded by Dr. Imossi, to add to the agenda a discussion relating to chiropractors performing physicals for U.S. Department of Transportation certification.

Kathleen Boulware, RN, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigation Unit explained that the DPH sent a letter to the U.S. Department of Transportation in response to an inquiry asking if chiropractors in Connecticut can perform physicals to certify drivers are physically qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle. The DPH responded that it appeared it would be beyond the scope of chiropractic practice to perform such physicals.

The Board scheduled a meeting for November 21, 2013, to discuss this matter with the office of the attorney general.

IV. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted Michele Imossi, DC Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners The **Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** held a meeting at the Department of Health at 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT on October 1, 2013.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Scott, DC, Chairman - via telephone

Candito Carroccia, DC - via telephone Michele Imossi, DC - via telephone

Faraneh Carnegie-Hargreaves – Public Member - via telephone

Jean Rexford - Public Member - via telephone

Sean Robotham, DC - via telephone

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Stacy Schulman, Hearing Officer, DPH Daniel Shapiro, Assistant Attorney General

Dr. Scott called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

I. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

Physicals for DOT Certification

Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro was present to provide counsel to the Board. The Board was seeking advice from the Assistant Attorney General regarding the issue of whether the scope of practice in Connecticut permits a chiropractor to conduct testing and physical examination of body systems to determine whether an individual is physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle

Attorney Shapiro explained the various options the Board has at their disposal for issuing a ruling to address this matter or the Board can seek written advice from the Assistant Attorney General.

Dr. Imossi made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rexford, to seek an informal opinion of the Assistant Attorney General regarding this issue. The motion passed unanimously.

II. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Scott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Carroccia, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted
Matthew Scott, DC, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Scott, DC, Chairman - via telephone

Candito Carroccia, DC - via telephone Michele Imossi, DC - via telephone

Faraneh Carnegie-Hargreaves – Public Member - via telephone

Jean Rexford - Public Member - via telephone

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Sean Robotham, DC

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Stacy Schulman, Hearing Officer, DPH

Dr. Scott called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

I. MINUTES

Dr. Scott made a motion, seconded Ms. Rexford, to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2013 and October 1, 2013 meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

II. <u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES</u>

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported that there are 6 chiropractic cases currently under investigation by the Department of Public Health. In addition, 1 case has been referred to the Department's Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance for further review. 5 cases have been dismissed since the September 19, 2013 meeting.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Schedule Meeting Dates for 2014

The following dates have been scheduled for meetings in 2014.

January 9, 2014

May 8, 2014

September 4, 2014

November 20, 2014

All meetings will be held at the Department of Public Health beginning at 9:00 a.m.

IV. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM

Physicals for commercial driver's license

Dr. Scott moved to add this item to the agenda. There was no objection. Dr. Scott commented that the Assistant Attorney General is working on the informal advice that was requested by the Board regarding this issue, but said advice will not be ready until January 2014. The Board discussed that it wishes to issue a declaratory ruling regarding this matter at its January 9, 2014 meeting.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Immossi made a motion, seconded by Dr. Scott, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted Matthew Scott, DC, Chairman Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners