Chapter 12 Presentation, Implementation, Future Updates

Presentation

As with any new suggested guidelines, there is the need to present them to the groups, who might be the utilizers. In our case, it is the members of the International Chiropractors Association (ICA) in particular and the whole Chiropractic community in general. To accomplish this presentation of the ICA Best Practices and Practice Guidelines, we will start by:

- 1) giving bound copies to the ICA Board members,
- 2) giving bound copies to the ICA State Representatives members,
- 3) giving copies on CDs to all state and provincial boards,
- 4) giving copies on CDs to all state and provincial associations,
- 5) giving copies on CDs to all foreign Boards,
- 6) giving copies on CDs to all foreign associations, and
- 7) giving copies on CDs to all chiropractic colleges' academic deans, clinic directors, and presidents world-wide.

Implementation

As we believe, most members of the ICA already practice close to these guidelines, we will only provide in-house seminars for ICA members. However, we also believe that most American Chiropractors Association members, ACA, practice very similar to these guidelines. Thus, we are only providing the support/proof of how they already practice. Therefore, we will suggest the ICA Board and ACA Board meet to discuss these guidelines. If ACA Board members approve, we will provide seminars for their state representatives on each chapter of these guidelines.

We will then expect ACA State Representatives to provide seminars on these guidelines. To help them to accomplish this, we will provide CDs which contain all the chapters. For DCs who do not belong to national association, we will advertise seminars throughout the USA and Canada. For other countries, we will provide CDs containing the whole guidelines to every president of each Chiropractic association member of the World Federation of Chiropractic, WFC. For Chiropractic College students, we will provide seminars on their chiropractic college campus for little or no cost.

Since there is a competing guideline by the Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters (CCGPP), we suggest randomized clinical trials (RCT) be performed at chiropractic colleges by two groups of student doctors utilizing community outpatients as experimental group subjects. One group will go by CCGPP protocols, while one group will go by these ICA guides protocols. Outcome assessments, as in Chapter 7 of this document, will provide data for the support of either CCGPP or the ICA guides. This type of RCT can be done with doctors in any US state or in any country.

Future Updates

Since our Chair, Dr. Don Harrison, is 62 years old in 2008, he will chair an Annual committee meeting each January of 2009-2011. At these meetings, committee members will read and rate papers from Medlines done in the previous year. From that poinjt forward, Dr. Leonard Siskin (NJ) will be in charge of these annual meetings. Since it is suggested that guidelines be updated at least every 5 years, in 2013, we will update all the information in 12 chapters of these guidelines (2013, 2018, 2023, and 2028).