

**VERMONT SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
89 MAIN STREET, MONTPELIER, VT
VERMONT BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC**

**APPROVED MINUTES OF
SEPTEMBER 3, 2013 MEETING**

Present: Palmer Peet, D.C., Charles Foster, D.C., and Daniel Coane; **Absent:** Vernon Temple, D.C.; **OPR Staff Present:** Larry Novins, Peter Comart, and Diane Lafaille.

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m.**
- 2. The minutes of the June 4, 2013 meeting were approved as written.**
- 3. Case Managers Report – This was tabled.**
- 4. Other**
 - a. The Board reviewed the continuing education audits.**
 - b. The Board will discuss the possibility of putting on a continuing education seminar at future meetings.**
 - c. The following continuing education courses were reviewed:**

Quantum Neurology ArthroStim DVD Essentials – approved.

Functional Movement Systems – approved.

Trigger Point Therapy Course – more information is needed before a determination can be made.

Chiropractic Nutrition: Integrative Solutions for Everyday Musculoskeletal Conditions – Hours 1-5 were approved. Hour 6 was not approved. This has been approved for 5 continuing education credits total.
 - d. Victoria Welch sent the Board an email asking:**

Are Vermont Chiropractors allowed to do dry needling? The Board responded that the scope of practice of a chiropractor is set forth in 26 V.S.A. § 521-536. “Dry needling” is not addressed in the Board’s statutes or its administrative rules. The Administrative Rules mention acupuncture as an adjunctive therapy. See Rule 3.5. The Board cannot specifically address “dry needling.” All licensees, no matter what services they provide must practice within their education, training and experience.

Are Vermont Chiropractors allowed to perform Department of Transportation exams? The Board responded, that yes, providing a physical examination is within the scope of practice.
 - e. The US Department of Transportation sent a letter asking if the Chiropractic scope of practice permits him/her to conduct the testing and physical examination of body systems required on the (the enclosed) Medical Examination Report, determine whether the driver is physical qualified to drive a DMV in interstate commerce, and complete the Medical Examiner’s Certificate? The Board reviewed the Medical Examination Report and yes, it is within the scope of practice as presented in the Medical Examination Report provided.**

f. Elections:

Mr. Coane nominated Dr. Palmer Peet as Chair of the Board, seconded by Dr. Foster.
Approved.

Dr. Peet nominated Dr. Vernon Temple as Vice-Chair of the Board, seconded by Mr. Coane. Approved.

Dr. Foster nominated Mr. Daniel Coane as Secretary of the Board, seconded by Dr. Peet.
Approved.

g. Dr. Foster will be attending the NBCE Part IV Exams in November.

h. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2013 to begin at 1:30 p.m.

5. The Board adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Lafaille, Licensing Board Specialist