

**VERMONT SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
OCTOBER 7, 2008 MEETING**

Present: Denise Natale, D.C. Chair, Dr. Charles Foster, Dr. Sean Mahoney and Charles Peterson,
Absent: Anne Valliere. OPR Staff Present: Larry Novins and Diane Lafaille.

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:38 p.m.

2. The minutes of the October 2, 2008 meeting were approved as written. Approved.

3. Other

A. The applications of Shelley Crombach and Stephen Brandon were approved by the Board for licensure.

B. The Vermont Chiropractic Association submitted the following for continuing education approval: "Neurophysiology Presents a Model for Common Chiropractic Case Presentations." The Board approved 4 hours of continuing education for this course.

C. The Board was asked if a chiropractor can count continuing education toward renewal for teaching courses at CCV in anatomy, physiology and labs. The Board approved 5 hours toward continuing education. This cannot be used again for future renewals.

D. The Board discussed electronic notes/communications – Attorney Novins stated that a chiropractor needs to be sure that their records are kept in a safe place and can be retrievable and reproducible.

E. Dr. Foster will be attending the NBCE Part IV Practical Examination.

F. Dr. Natale updated the Board on the September 2008 FCLB meeting.

G. Amanda Putignano submitted a letter to the Board asking the following:

Can a chiropractor refer patients for trigger point injections – A chiropractor may refer a patient to another health care professional to consider whether a particular treatment may be appropriate. That person will use their independent judgment to decide if a particular treatment is warranted.

Are chiropractors allowed to request diagnostic imaging with contrast – Yes, they are.

Do chiropractic assistants need to be certified to place hot or cold packs on patients, perform ultrasound, or perform electrical muscle stimulation. There is no registration of chiropractic assistants in

Vermont. She should always keep in mind 3 V.S.A. § 129a which includes within the definition of unprofessional conduct, “(6) Delegating professional responsibilities to a person whom the licensed professional knows, or has reason to know, is not qualified by training, experience, education or licensing credential to perform them.”

H. The Board worked on the redrafting of its laws and rules. The Board will also discuss requiring an open book examination requirement for licensure and 3 tracks for licensure: education, endorsement and 5 year practice in good standing.

4.. The Board adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Diane Lafaille, Board Administrator