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## RELATED TO THE PRACTICE OF CHIROPRACTIC

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Mr. Ray Bennett The Council on Chiropractic Education 8049 85<sup>th</sup> Way Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

Dear Ray,

Yesterday I was involved in a program presented by a regional group of the World Congress of Chiropractic Students (WCCS). Keith Overland, D.C. was also a participant in this program.

We were involved in a series of break-out sessions speaking to several different groups of students. As you could imagine questions arose about the CCE and in particular about the feedback offered in the course of the March Stakeholder's meeting in Las Vegas. In the process Keith, myself and others who were at the meeting related our understanding of the feedback received at the meeting with respect to the ability and willingness of the CCE to accredit Doctor of Chiropractic programs that included curricular and clinical components related to the use of drugs and surgery.

It was my recollection, and I am paraphrasing the feedback, that we were advised that the CCE was prepared to accredit programs as outlined above. Dr. Overland's perspective that this was not the case and that programs could elect to include drugs and surgery elements but they wouldn't be a part of the initial accreditation or reaffirmation process content.

As I remember the meeting the perspective I offered was clearly and unequivocally stated. In fact it led to a discussion from Dr. Riekeman about potential "curbs" to the extent the CCE would be willing to go and the idea of any limitation was rejected.

If you can clarify this matter for me and Keith that would be great, if you feel this needs to be addressed by the Chairman or others please forward this letter with a request for a timely response.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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