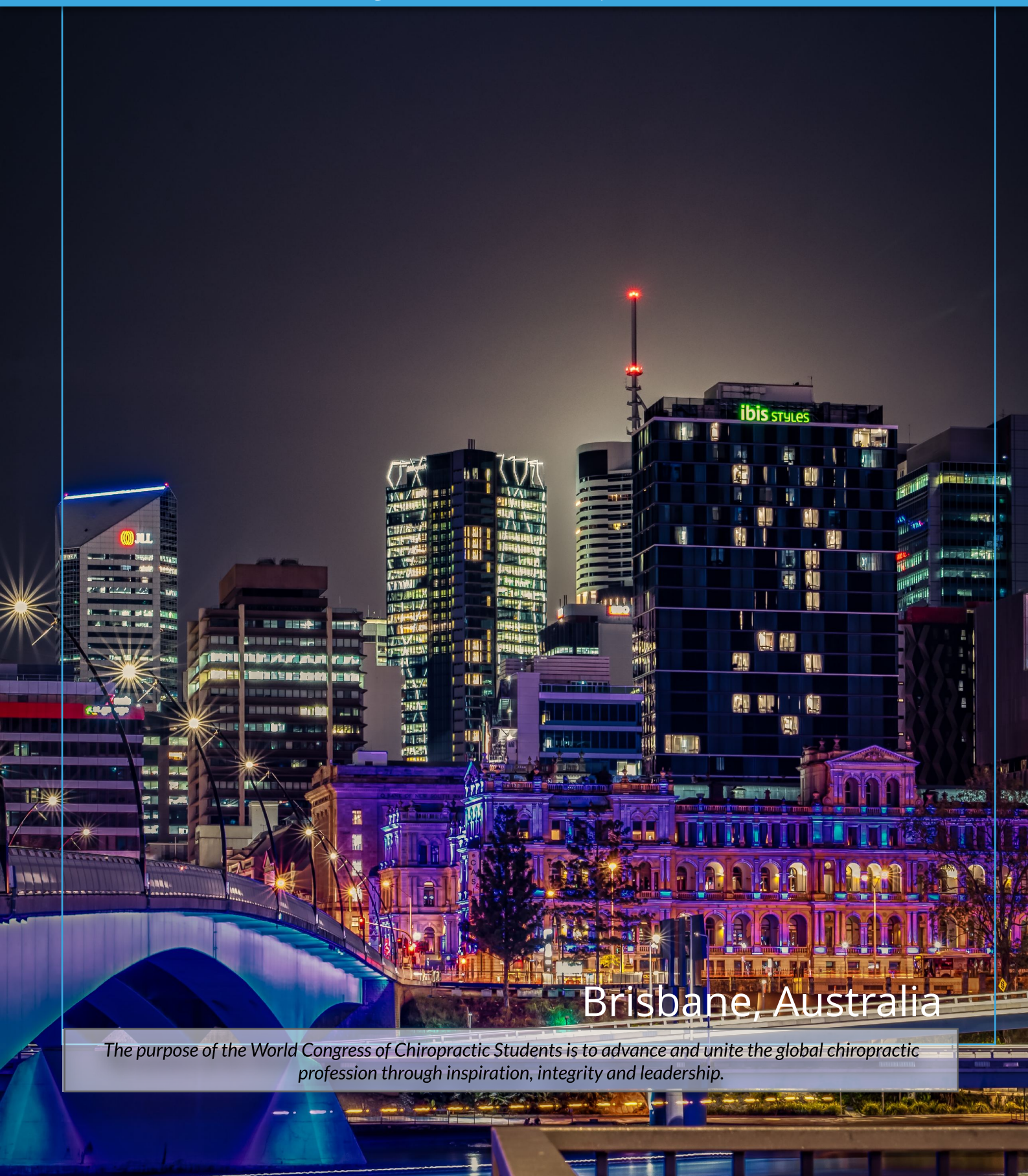


QUARTERLY REPORT

World Congress of Chiropractic Students



Brisbane, Australia

The purpose of the World Congress of Chiropractic Students is to advance and unite the global chiropractic profession through inspiration, integrity and leadership.

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Hello, and welcome to the delayed 2nd Quarterly Report (QR) of 2019. My sincere apologies for this delay. We decided to take a little more time to put it together, so we could include the past Annual General Meeting (AGM) matters and we could also introduce your new leadership team!

It is fair to say that the 41st AGM in Brisbane, Australia was another transformational AGM. I cannot describe how grateful and how proud I am of every single individual that has been a part of our organization this past year and/or has participated in the AGM. Each year, at the end of the AGM, it seems impossible to organize another event where its experience could match the previous, let alone exceed it. However, this year's AGM seemed to go beyond all expectations. Whether it was because of the stunning location in the centre of Brisbane, the greatest number of delegates since years, the variety of speakers, Jenna's research presentation, or because the high-level discussions we had throughout the week, I can't say. If you'd like to read more about this past AGM in Brisbane, I happily invite you to read the first ever official Congress Summary Report in this QR. A big thank you to the three ladies that volunteered as creators of this report.

This year, some challenging discussion topics were brought to the floor, one of which was the 2019 paper by Charlotte le Beouff et al, "Chiropractic, one big unhappy family: better together or apart?". Needless to say this paper is not supported by the WCCS, and as a child of divorced parents I think it's a disrespectful paper, comparing apples with rice grains. Despite the controversy, the discussion on the floor was very positive. There was a majority focus on how we move forward as organization, and how we position ourselves within the chiropractic world. One thing was made very clear by you members: The WCCS represents all chiropractic students worldwide regardless of their gender, age, skin colour, and philosophy.

Another discussion topic was the relationship between the WFC and the WCCS. This topic was brought to the floor following the recent WFC/ECU Convention in Berlin. Two co-authors of the previously mentioned paper from Charlotte Le Beouff, presented in Berlin in a way that would not represent all our member colleges, nor our value of unity through diversity. Therefore, we understand the concerns. Just as we mentioned on the floor, the WFC is supportive of the WCCS in that they provide us the opportunity to go to the World Health Assembly, but do not financially support or influence actions of the WCCS. The WCCS has always been, is, and will always be an independent politically neutral organization representing all students worldwide.

The WCCS might be the only worldwide chiropractic organization that actively focuses on unity within the profession. Are we ever going to achieve it? Who knows. Are we as organization uniting the chiropractic student body? Absolutely. Does this mean we're all thinking the exact same? No. It's the diversity in the organization that makes it so special, and in my eyes: the future of the profession. It's the 137 students from 28 chiropractic colleges worldwide that actively try to understand where one another is coming from, that should be the future leaders in chiropractic.

I would like to personally thank every person who has contributed to the organization both in this year and years past. It has been an honor and pleasure to have the opportunity to lead our organization to where we are today and I am incredibly grateful to have the privilege to serve one more year as President.

Naomi van Veen
WCCS President



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WORLD CONGRESS OF CHIROPRACTIC STUDENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

29 Nov - 1 Dec '19



WCCS European
Regional Event @
Odense, Denmark

INTRODUCING THE 2019-2020 TEAM OF OFFICIALS



Dr. Naomi van Veen
President

Board of Directors

Dr. Naomi van Veen graduated as a physiotherapist from the Fontys University of Applied Sciences in Eindhoven, Netherlands in 2013. This is a profession she chose after having a very unsuccessful elite sports career, spending more time in rehab recovering from ACL-ruptures than on the pitch. Her dedication to make a difference resulted in the decision to continue her studies in chiropractic at the Welsh Institute of Chiropractic. In her first year in Wales she got involved in the World Congress of Chiropractic Students. She first attended an AGM in 2016 in Paris. In San Francisco 2017 she got elected to the European position of the Board of Directors (BoD) and is currently serving her third term on the board. Naomi Graduated as chiropractor in July 2018, after which she moved back to the Netherlands to work and live closer to family and friends. Alongside the WCCS, she is very much enjoying her working life as a chiropractor in Veldhoven for Top Chiropractie. Naomi admires the growth the WCCS as organization has gone through in the past 4 years. This year she will focus on further building the structure of the organization to a more professional level, becoming financially stronger and reaching more students, resulting in a stronger organization both externally and internally. Besides chiropractic, Naomi loves to be active outside as long as the Dutch weather allows. She usually does this either on her road bike, on tennis courts and in the future hopefully on the beautiful Dutch beaches with a kitesurfing kite in her hands



Dr. Fraser McClymont
Director of External Affairs

Board of Directors

Dr Fraser McClymont is a proud graduate of the 2018 class of Central Queensland University, Mackay. He holds a Bachelor of Science (Chiropractic) and a Masters of Clinical Chiropractic. He was first introduced to chiropractic following issues with concentration at school. He has been involved in the WCCS since 2013 and hence held the roles as Chapter Chair, Head of the Marketing Committee, Co-Convenor 2019 AGM, Director of the Western Pacific Region and Vice-President. He now holds the position of Director of External Affairs following the 2019 AGM. He has represented Chiropractic twice at the World Health Assembly, in 2018 as a delegate of the World Federation of Chiropractic and in 2019 along with the International Pharmaceutical Students Federations and, alongside Secretary Dr Kemmy Ritter, presented to the WFC Members Assembly about the WCCS. He endeavors to see the WCCS become its own Non-State Actor in official relations with the World Health Organization to best allow chiropractic students to impact global health, to pursue in establishing the WCCS as the peak-body of chiropractic students internationally overall find opportunities for WCCSers to pursue. Fraser intends to investigate closer to his roots in understanding the developmental mind and how chiropractic can allow it to express to its optimal function.

Board of Directors

Lebogang Khesa is a final year chiropractic student from the University of Johannesburg. He is currently on the verge of completing his dissertation and other academic requirements as well as his internship in order to graduate with a master's degree in chiropractic. Lebogang joined the WCCS in February 2018 and since then, he has been the 2018/2019 African Regional Coordinator and now he has been given the honour of being the 2019/2020 Director of Internal Affairs. During his term as the African Regional Coordinator, Lebogang has established open communication between the two WCCS chapters within the African region while making sure to represent both schools equally and impartially. He has also established the WCCS Clinical Presentation Programme as a means for both chapters to generate some passive income throughout the year to help send delegates to the AGM while still giving back to all the chiropractic students of their respective universities. Lebogang is a strong believer of the term, "teamwork makes the dream work", and thus hopes to see a more diversified chiropractic community world wide and certainly within the African region. He believes that the only way to achieve this dream is to spread chiropractic to underprivileged communities.



Lebogang Khesa
Director of Internal Affairs



Dr. Natalie Rosenzweig
Director of Public Relations

Board of Directors

Dr. Natalie Rosenzweig is an April 2019 graduate of Parker University. She is a founding member of the Parker chapter in July 2017, and brought the chapter back on the map after years of non-membership in the WCCS. Natalie has served in her chapter as Vice President, and President. She was the recipient of the 2017 Best New Delegate nomination for the 2017 AGM in San Francisco. Natalie has started large annual events and fundraisers for her chapter such as the first ever student Women's Chiropractic Summit which is now an event taking place in two other chiropractic colleges. After leaving the Parker chapter in capable hands, she now serves as the Director of Public Relations on the Board of Directors for WCCS, and looks forward to increasing public awareness of our mission, goals, and objectives through multi-media platforms. Natalie is now serving in her first year of practice and sees a future where she creates multiple thriving practices in the U.S., while continuing to serve chiropractic and healthcare globally.

Board of Directors

Dr. Jenna Duehr graduated from the New Zealand College of Chiropractic (NZCC) in 2018 with a Bachelor of Chiropractic. Together with her husband, Dr. Jens Duehr, she has two young children and practices in their private chiropractic practice in Auckland, NZ. Jenna is also a Registered Nurse, graduating from Auckland University of Technology (AUT) in 2006 with a Bachelor of Health Science (Nursing). Jenna is also a lecturer in pathology at the New Zealand College of Chiropractic. She has a great interest in chiropractic research and in 2018 she also completed a Masters in Health Science through Auckland University of Technology. Her research project for this was looking at the effects of chiropractic care on muscle strength and motor control in children with cerebral palsy. Jenna has been involved with the WCCS throughout her time as a chiropractic student and recently as a new graduate. She has attended four WCCS Annual General Meetings (AGM), held the NZCC Chapter Chair position for two years and this year was part of the convening team for the 2019 WCCS AGM in Brisbane, Australia. She has recently been elected onto the Team of Officials as the Secretary for the term 2019-2020. Jenna is looking forward to serving on the Team of Officials to further the excellent work that has been done in promoting inter-professional development and in enhancing the unity, through diversity of the chiropractic profession.



Dr. Jenna Duehr
Director of Secretariat



Dr. Jordanne Buote
Director of Finance

Board of Directors

Dr. Jordanne Buote graduated from the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College in Toronto this past June. She served as a public relations representative during her first year with WCCS and attended the 40th Annual AGM in Johannesburg last July. Subsequently she became president of the CMCC Chapter, while also participating on the Standard Operating Policies and Procedures committee year 2018-2019. She focused on creating a new constitution and terms of reference for her chapter, as well as promoting interest and commitment in new members. Jordanne had the opportunity to attend the 72nd World Health Assembly in Switzerland this past May, and at the most recent AGM in Brisbane, Australia, was elected the Director of Finances of the Board of Directors. She is confident this position will allow her to develop her own skill set as well as strengthen the organization's emphasis on internal and external values. Her involvement with WCCS has fostered an interest in both public health and health policy, and the intricacies of each in different regions of the world. As a new grad Jordanne is excited to start work close to her hometown in Charlottetown, PEI, and work with an array of populations within a multidisciplinary clinic.

Regional Coordinator



Sara Presazzi

Regional Coordinator, Europe

Sara Presazzi is originally from Italy and she just started her last year at the Madrid College of Chiropractic (MCC). After graduating in June 2020, she would like to volunteer for one year in Botswana with World Spine Care. Sara joined WCCS in her first year at MCC and since then she has been the Convener for the 2017 European Regional Event and she served her chapter as Head delegate and Chapter Chair. Last May Sara had the opportunity to attend the United Nations Global Festival of Actions and to be part of the World Federation of Chiropractic delegation at the World Health Assembly. After attending 4 Annual General Meetings (AGM) and 3 Regional Events, she is now very grateful to serve WCCS as European Regional Coordinator for a second term. Her goals are to keep supporting the European Chapters and working along with the Team of Officials to give WCCS the importance it deserves and to advocate for chiropractic. Aware of the responsibility of the task, she guarantees her maximum commitment and availability. Her favorite quote is: "If you think you are too small to make the difference then try to sleep in a room with a mosquito!"

Regional Coordinator

Keiron Boosi is a 4th year Chiropractic student at the Durban University of Technology (DUT), South Africa. She will be graduating in 2022. Keiron has been a member of the WCCS since her first year of Chiropractic school, 2016. Since then she has been actively involved in the Chapter, and enjoys planning activities and events for the students and university to engage in. She has been on the executive team for her Chapter for the past two year and was the chair of her Chapter over the past year. Keiron was the convener for the 2019 African Regional Event at DUT and was elected to be the African Regional Coordinator at the 2019 WCCS AGM. Keiron is working hard to ensure that student involvement in Chiropractic is maintained and that more individuals, especially outside of the health science field, become more aware of Chiropractic and the benefits of this profession. Keiron hopes to one day run her own practice, with a focus on the care and upliftment of pediatric patients.



Keiron Boosie

Regional Coordinator, Africa

Regional Coordinator

Alex Naquin is a chiropractic student at Parker University in Dallas, TX. Parker molds future chiropractors through a ten trimester program which concludes with a year of on-sight clinical experience. Alex is currently concluding trimester seven and is eager to begin his internship at Parker Chiropractic Clinic in September. His philosophy - as your tribe grows, you grow - serves as the foundation, or rather fuel, to the joy he finds in elevating others. He has enjoyed growing and developing the WCCS chapter at Parker University the past two years. Having served as both Vice President and President, he is proud of the transformation this organization and its members have undergone in this short time. During his first regional event at Life University, Alex was inspired to dive whole-heartedly into WCCS, and that drive has grown exponentially over the years. Coinciding with his love to inspire and elevate, Alex spends his free time assisting in research programs with colleagues and professors in the Dallas area.



Alex Naquin

Regional Coordinator, Americas West

Regional Coordinator

Dafne Mariem Jiménez Pérez is originally from Orocovis, Puerto Rico. As almost every Latina woman and WCCS member, she's known for giving lots of hugs and always having a smile on her face. She originally intended to become a Neonatologist, and after hearing about chiropractic for the first time, there was no turning back. She absolutely fell in love with the profession and everything for which it stands. Despite her close relationship with her family, she decided to take the leap and moved to Marietta, Georgia in 2016 to get her Doctor of Chiropractic degree at Life University. She is currently in her 10th quarter of the Doctor of Chiropractic program, and happy to be serving the community in Outpatient Clinic. Through her DC education, she has been working to better herself as a chiropractor with different seminars and is working on her ICPA certification. However, WCCS is what has impacted her the most. She has been a member of WCCS for three years, and it was her passion and determination to find her purpose within the profession that made her immediately work hard for the organization. Once she learned that the mission of the WCCS is "Unity through diversity" she was certain that this is where she was supposed to be. For the past year, she worked as a Regional Coordinator for the Americas East, and along with Samantha Jordan, she created the Godfather program to promote communication between the chapters. By the end of the year, many chapters had improved communication and worked on projects together. Moving forward, it is one of her main projects to bring the schools in Latin America to the next AGM in Toronto to continue helping grow the organization and giving and being a voice for all students from all backgrounds.



Dafne Mariem Jiménez Pérez

Regional Coordinator, Americas East



Dylan Kucheravy

Regional Coordinator, Western Pacific

Regional Coordinator

Dylan Kucheravy is a current student at the New Zealand College of Chiropractic, class of 2022. He is originally from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada and is a second generation chiropractor in his family. Since starting school, Dylan has been focused on completely immersing himself in the world of chiropractic, and is very excited with his new opportunity with the WCCS. His long term goal is to open an inclusive practice with his partner in British Columbia. He also hopes to serve both the WCCS and chiropractic profession in a positive, impactful way.

Legislative Committee

Alison McLuckie is about to start her second year of chiropractic education at London South Bank University. She is part of the first cohort to attend the course and is set to graduate in 2022. After hearing about the opportunities the WCCS can provide, Alison was keen to become a part of the organisation. She helped to establish the London South Bank University chapter at AGM 2019 and is now leading the chapter as its president. As the school grows, Alison aims to involve more new students in the chapter. At AGM 2019, Alison was elected into the WCCS legislative committee and she is looking forward to working in her role as secretary within this committee. For her efforts at the AGM, Alison was honoured with the title of “best new delegate”. Alison is excited to progress in her studies and to qualify as a chiropractor. She also hopes to develop her professional skills in her new roles as chapter president and legislative secretary.



Allison McLuckie

Legislative Committee

Legislative Committee

Per Andreas Valebjørg Ronæs (Bear) currently attends University of South Wales, Welsh Institute of Chiropractic (WIOC) class of July 2021. He currently serves as chapter Chair and Head Delegate for WIOC and Committee Chair of the Legislative committee. The previous year, Bear has worked on creating laws and guidelines in order to improve the structure, professionalism, and efficiency within the chapter. Next year he plans on implementing these changes, increasing the number of active members, and strengthening the chapter's position within the university and the UK. One of the projects Bear has been working on is an event called We Are WIOC. This project has been created to empower students and create unity within diversity. For the WCCS he envisions a future organization, which is strong, professional, important, and recognized by the outside world. His plans for the future is to become a knowledgeable, excellent, and diverse health care practitioner.



Per Andreas Valebjørg Ronæs (Bear)
Legislative Committee



Kesego Chikais
Legislative Committee

Legislative Committee

Kesego Chikais is a 30 year old lady from Botswana, currently studying at Durban University of Technology, Republic of South Africa. Kesego is a Health Promotion and Education officer by profession with a Diploma in Health Education. She worked for the Ministry of Health & Wellness-Public Health department-her job involved advocacy and social mobilization (through health commemorations, campaigns, workshops, television and radio medias), policy development for different programs like school health, non communicable diseases, traditional health practitioners. In 2013-2015 she was the program support officer for Environmental & Occupational Health where she created policy and programs such as port health, water and sanitation, waste management, occupational health, infection control policy, tobacco control levy, chemicals management. It was through community mobilization programs that she found out about Chiropractic as she realized there was a high incidence of back pains and lead to her to embark on a profession that could help alleviate the problem. She joined WCCS in 2016 to date, she has been an active member who attends and contributes to all activities in the chapter- her main interest through the help of her previous profession is to raise awareness about Chiropractic in the African region and organize mission trips to Southern Africa.

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PREFACE

The World Congress of Chiropractic Students' 41st Annual General Meeting in Brisbane, Australia began with a welcome ceremony on the 30th of June 2019. This year's AGM was commenced with a proper welcome to the country and acknowledgment of the traditional custodians in Australia. At the State Library of Queensland, delegates exchanged warm greetings with one another and were welcomed with a performance on the didgeridoo and kind words from WCCS, AECC alum and acting head of the CQU-Chiropractic program; Dr. Dawn Dane. The 2019 AGM consists of 137 delegates representing 27 chapters, including two new chapters, London South Bank University and Zurich University. This year's philanthropy involved blood donation and trash clean up at parks in the community.

The 2020 Annual General Meeting will be held by CMCC on July 10th-17th in Toronto.



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PROPOSAL SUMMARY

Proposals Passed

- Proposal 19.3 from the BoD passed which permanently implements the role of Immediate Past President following a successful one-year trial run in 2018-2019.
- Proposal 19.2 from the BoD and SOPPs Committee passed unanimously which renames the Board of Directors and Regional Coordinators into a single leadership group known as the Team of Officials.
- Proposal 19.1 from the BoD passed unanimously which implements an organizational restructure of the BoD to increase productivity and impact of the WCCS. The new positions of the BoD will be President, Director of External Affairs, Director of Internal Affairs, Director of Finances, Director of Public Relations, Director of Secretariat and Immediate Past President.
- Proposal 19.6 from SDU and WIOC passed unanimously which creates a fail-safe ad-hoc administration role in the case that the BoD is ever asked to leave congress floor.
- Proposal 19.5 from the SOPPs committee passed unanimously. This proposal restructures the SOPPs committee to include the following positions: 1 committee chair, 1 secretary, 1 editor in chief, and 1 BoD liaison.
- Proposal 19.4.2 from the BoD passed which makes every voting member eligible to vote and elect a BoD member from each region. This proposal was amended to state that if a region is unable to produce a candidate that is fit for the BoD, the position can be filled by a candidate from another region.
- Proposal 19.7 from the RCs passed unanimously which states that any region with 12 or more active chapters will have two RCs for that year.

Proposals Declined

- Proposal 19.4.1 from the BoD did not pass. This proposal was to open all positions on the restructured BoD to members from any region, except for the Immediate Past President and Treasurer roles.

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HOT TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- Time sensitive concerns were brought to the congress' attention by Life University regarding the integrity and neutrality of our organization. This stimulated a robust, yet respectful and professional discussion. It was requested that there be written documentation of the sponsors for the WCCS and its events as a check and balance for remaining free of influence from outside organizations.
- A discussion on regulation and legislation was led by director, Nerina Le Roux. Delegates participated in role playing which encouraged conversation on the importance and challenges of international regulation of chiropractic.
- The article, "Chiropractic, one big unhappy family: better together or apart?" sparked discussion about unity. It was emphasized that we are stronger together and have more similarities than differences.
- Consensus statements were also discussed and debated. A consensus statement has been created that supports intraprofessional, interprofessional and intersectoral collaboration, and will welcome organizations with these values to observe at our AGM. The creation of consensus statements for the WCCS will require a team effort between chapters and the Team of Officials.
- Fraser McClymont presented on updated drafts of the WCCS' Mission and Vision. He discussed the importance of having a solid internal and external identity. "We know we want to change the world, but how are we going to do it?"
- A social entrepreneurship exercise was led by Naomi Van Veen. Delegates were given time to create solutions to achieve universal health care for all.



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BOARD OF DIRECTOR REPORTS

President Report, Naomi Van Veen

The 2019-2021 WCCS Goal Programme was introduced which outlines the current goals of the organization and objectives on how to achieve these goals.

Director of External Affairs Report, Fraser McClymont

An action plan was created for the goal of becoming a Non-State Actor within the World Health Organization. An annual report and association sponsorship package were created. The WCCS made a statement that was included in the Human Resources for Health Call to Action Campaign. Relationships are also being formed with FICS and World Spine Care. WCCS also forms a part of the WHO's Global Health Workforce Networks, Youth Hub.

Director of Internal Affairs Report, Nerina Le Roux

Meetings were held with the RCs every two weeks, and to increase transparency and improve productivity. Nerina was present on calls with each region and committee throughout the year and was able to communicate any concerns to the BoD. The 5 main goals pertaining to internal affairs as listed in the Goal Programme are as follows:

1. Lead
2. Strategic Decision-Making
3. Conflict Management
4. Participative Management
5. Challenge the Status Quo

Secretary Report, Kemmy Ritter

Kemmy delivered a presentation on the WCCS' Position in Chiropractic. Delegates were asked to think about what they wanted to gain from AGM, what the WCCS really is and how we act on the values of the organization. "We want to create a better world in chiropractic and collaboration is the first step. Being exposed to things that challenge your personal beliefs will allow your mind to expand."

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Director of Public Relations Report, Emilie Claerbout

User and budget friendly platforms have been implemented throughout the organization, including g-suite and wimi. The WCCS website and branding have also been updated featuring our new logo that was designed by the IFEC chapter. Social media accounts (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and YouTube) have been analyzed for performance, and have indicated the need to develop a marketing strategy.

Treasurer Report, Shadi Fattahi

A complete financial report for the 2018-2019 year was presented. Due to expenses for the year, the organization had a negative 33% profit. Goals for next year are to investigate an online platform for payments and more diverse sponsorship opportunities.



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COMMITTEE REPORT

Chiropractic Humanitarian Assistance Program (CHAP)

Saphira Kaiser presented an update for the Chiropractic Humanitarian Assistance Program. Their Annual Collective Focus included a survey on non-communicable diseases and health and wellbeing. The CHAP committee has a homepage on the WCCS website with information on mission trips and outreach.

International Mobility Committee (IMC)

Victoria Clare presented an analysis of a survey from 2016 that showed the participants' interest in practicing in another country, and the challenges one faces in doing so. The IMC is working to create information packages available that outline requirements for practicing in different countries, and demographics for each country and/or state.

Disability Services Committee

Carl Hedrick and Marissa Ruocco presented updates from the disability services committee. This committee was formed following a proposal at the 2017 AGM that "inspired the idea that all people regardless of (dis)ability deserve equitable access to education in chiropractic institutions." They have been creating a list of resources, consulting and building relationships with experts, and transcribing surveys and legal documents. The committee stated that others can help by featuring disabled students and chiropractors on social media platforms every month or so as an inspiration to others.

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EXTERNAL WORKING GROUPS

Physical Activity Working Group

Mads Thomasen presented updates on the initiative of the Physical Activity External Affairs Working Group. The main objective of this working group is to promote physical activity and share its importance on global health. Because physical activity plays a large role in overall health, it is imperative to share our knowledge internationally within our own and other professions. This newer initiative with External Affairs worked through uncharted waters and challenges this year and is currently working on increasing their research initiatives and data analysis to expand the current knowledge base.

Non-Communicable Diseases Working Group

Timeca Brown presented an overview of the Non-Communicable Diseases External Affairs Working Group. With the goal of writing a policy brief, the objective of this group was to show the position of WCCS in health care as well as encouraging interprofessional collaboration. This working group has made large strides in their endeavors, drafting their policy brief and creating a plan for moving forward. With the policy brief underway, this group is helping WCCS collaborate with other professions on such a diverse topic.

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REGION REPORTS

European Region Update (10 chapters)

The European region had some rebuilding to do after the 2018 AGM, and most chapters have increased in numbers. Monthly regional calls were held, and chapters organized different activities. The 2018 European Regional Event was held at McTimoney with all European chapters in attendance. The 2019 European Regional Event will be held by SDU, and the 2020 European Regional Event will be held at IFEC in Toulouse.

Western Pacific Region (6 chapters)

The Western Pacific region engaged in community and outreach events, fundraising and AGM planning with biweekly meetings for the last two years. The 2020 Western Pacific Regional Event will be held at Murdoch with the theme of “Patient Centered Care in Modern Interdisciplinary Practice”.

African Region (2 chapters)

The African region implemented monthly regional calls. There were many charity efforts, fundraisers and community outreach programmes. UJ won the World Spine Day Competition for 2018. The region has faced challenges regarding chiropractic awareness and sponsorships. The 2019 African Regional Event was held at DUT with the theme of “Unity in Diversity”.

Americas Region (13 chapters)

The Americas region completed a pilot program with two regional coordinators, Americas East and Americas West. Regional calls were held monthly with various discussion topics. A “Godfather Program” was created to improve interaction between chapters, especially between more established and younger chapters. Connections were established with Cleveland University, UCC, and University Veracruzana. The 2019 Americas Regional Event was held at Logan University, and the 2020 Americas Regional Event will be held at Palmer Davenport with the theme of “Rooted”.

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EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

The WCCS attended many events throughout the year to represent our organization and the student voice in chiropractic.

- World Federation of Chiropractic and the Association of Chiropractic Colleges Chiropractic Education Conference
- World Federation of Chiropractic and European Chiropractors' Union EPIC2019
- The International Federation of Sports Chiropractic Assembly
- International Chiropractic Regulatory Society Forum
- The Councils on Chiropractic Education International Annual General Meeting
- National Chiropractic Legislative Council and Student American Chiropractic Association
- Global Festival for Action
- World Health Assembly with the International Federation of Medical Students Associations, International Pharmaceutical Students Federation, World Federation of Chiropractic delegations
- Youth Hub and Global Health Workforce Network

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SPECIAL SPEAKERS

This year's AGM included four speaker panels: leadership, research, education and chiropractic entrepreneurship.

Leadership panel

The speakers for the leadership panel included Dr. Anthony Coxon, president of the Australian Chiropractic Association, and Dr. Pete Garbutt, president of the International Federation of Sports Chiropractic. Both speakers are strongly influential leaders in the chiropractic profession, and they were able to give insight and perspective on the state of chiropractic in Australia.

"You can't move the iceberg, but you can steer the Titanic" – Dr. Anthony Coxon

"Understand the drive of others and allay their fears, not necessarily as a chiropractor, but as a member of their community" – Dr. Pete Garbutt

Research panel

A surprise video was shown that featured chiropractic researchers Dr. Kelly Holt, Dr. Heidi Haavik and Dr. Imran Khan Niazi. They shared information from their research studies on neuroplasticity, stroke and ADHD.

The WCCS' very own, Dr. Jenna Duehr, presented on her experiences and the importance of chiropractic research for the advancement of the profession. She briefly discussed her research on children with cerebral palsy and chiropractic care.

"We get so caught up in evidence based or vitalistic based, but it's about the people and how we can change their lives." – Dr. Jenna Duehr

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Education panel

Secretary General of the WFC, Dr. Richard Brown, started the educational panel by speaking on chiropractic education and how it has evolved throughout the years. He emphasized the importance of being able to adapt our education to meet the needs of a generation that learns differently.

"It is the richness in diversity that has taken this profession to where it is today." – Dr. Richard Brown

Dr. Kristin Grace, Chair of the New Zealand Chiropractic Board, raised the question, "Can one person make a difference?" She discussed her personal challenges and victories, and the challenges and victories for chiropractic education. We have the ability and strength to be involved in collaborative healthcare, and we shouldn't wait for an invitation.

Entrepreneurship panel

Martin D. Timchur spoke on "The Future of Healthcare". He discussed the state of healthcare and chiropractic in the past and challenged delegates to think ahead to the future of chiropractic. As generations and technology change, we need to be able to meet their demands.

Dr. Michael Leahy demonstrated how he assesses, diagnoses and treats patients with Active Release Technique. He emphasized the importance of having a system for how you evaluate and care for patients. He continued to discuss the importance of educating patients on what is wrong, what you are doing and how you can help them.

Dr. Bettina Tormatora presented on "Chiropractic Then and Now". She spoke about only being able to see your viewpoint based on the information that you have, but you are able to turn around and change your view. You have one view, not the only view.

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RESEARCH POSTERS

Clare Halpin, Western Pacific Regional Coordinator, took first place in the research competition. Her research was titled, "Is there an association between low back pain and swing time during normal gait in adults?"

Sara Presazzi, European Regional Coordinator, placed second in the competition. Her research was titled, "Possible effects of chiropractic care in patients affected by Type 2 Diabetes."

A special thank you to Dr. Andrew Taylor-Robinson for judging the research poster competition.

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THE NEW TEAM OF OFFICIALS

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TAKE HOME MESSAGES

The 2019 AGM in Brisbane had a focus on the structure of the organization, maintaining integrity in the mission of “unity with respect to diversity”, and the future of chiropractic.

Various proposals passed to improve the structure of the organization. To ensure productivity and continuity, roles within the Team of Officials are more clearly defined and the role of Immediate Past President is permanently implemented. Regional representation will remain within the Team of Officials and all regions will vote for each candidate. If an appropriate candidate cannot be produced from a region, the position in question will be opened to candidates from other regions. This ensures that the Team of Officials will consist of quality and motivated members.

Central to many discussions and presentations was the importance of having unity and representation of the diversity in chiropractic. The profession is growing rapidly, and unity is needed now more than ever. In order to overcome the challenges in our profession, it is important to set aside self-interest and respect the viewpoints of others. We are more similar than we are different, and we are stronger together.

The WCCS has formed relationships with many professional organizations and has represented the student voice of the chiropractic profession. During this year’s AGM, a consensus statement was brought forth to welcome observation at the organization’s events. This would include international chiropractic associations, national and international chiropractic student organizations, chiropractic regulatory and accrediting bodies, and international student health organizations.

The future of chiropractic is in the hands of the youth of the profession and this AGM demonstrated our ability to have mature and difficult discussions. Everyone has something to give to the profession and in order to move forward, we need to collaborate with everyone’s diverse perspectives.

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REGIONAL COORDINATORS WRAP UP AGM 2019. WHAT'S ON THE HORIZON?

AMERICAS

Earlier this month on March 1-3, 2019, convenor Tiffany Huang and the Logan University chapter hosted the America's Regional Event in Chesterfield, MO and it turned out to be an amazing event. Present at the event were both Regional Coordinators (RC) for the America's region: Dafne Mariem Jimenez Perez and Dr. Samantha Jordan, Kemmy Ritter from the Board of Directors, and students from seven colleges across the region including: Logan University, Palmer Davenport, Palmer Florida, Parker University, Life University, Southern California University of Health Sciences, and Life College of Chiropractic West. There were speakers from all over the globe the delegates had a chance to hear from in addition to speak with at the event. One evening, there was a group trip to Top Golf in St. Louis where all the delegates met for dinner then got to show off their golf skills in some friendly competition. Overall, Tiffany Huang and Logan University provided an amazing event for the delegates and built up the excitement for the Annual General Meeting (AGM) this summer in Brisbane, Australia.

We are very excited that every active chapter in the America's region plans to attend AGM this year. This year, we have two collaborations of chapters presenting proposals which is very exciting to see the regions working together for similar goals. Parker University and Palmer Davenport are submitting a proposal as well as Life University and Logan University. Everyone is continuing to prepare and raise funds to attend AGM and certainly counting down the days until the event.

Since the new year has started, we are continuing to pursue our "Godfather" program in the America's to promote the collaboration, support, and getting to know one another from school to school. This year, instead of the RC's pairing the schools, at our first regional Skype call, we had the chapters pick a school to pair up with until AGM. We hope to continue to grow these relationships and promote the delegates to actively reach out and get to know one another a little more than was done at the end of last year.

Dafne Mariem Jimenez Perez and Alex Naquin
America's Regional Coordinators



AFRICA

The World Congress of Chiropractic Students (WCCS) had its 2019 African Regional Event (A.R.E) proudly hosted by the Durban University of Technology (DUT). The three-day event began on Friday the 5th of April and concluded on Sunday the 7th. The WCCS DUT chapter adopted the theme of "unity in diversity". This theme was reiterated by the speakers throughout the event, and the program for the weekend involved ensuring that every member of the delegation could come together as one to celebrate our profession of chiropractic.

The A.R.E was attended by approximately 60 chiropractic students from the University of Johannesburg as well as those from the Durban University of Technology. The delegate fee covered entry into all the seminars and presentations as well as breakfast and lunch for the entire event. In addition, each guest received a customized ARE conference bag filled with treats and tools for the weekend as well as their own personal name tag. There were social activities held on both nights of the A.R.E weekend at popular destinations in Durban, this gave the delegates an excellent opportunity to bond as well as enjoy the Durban lifestyle!

The speaker line up comprised mainly of chiropractors, both local and international, who gave passionate lectures and discourses on a wide variety of topics which ranged from pediatrics to neuroimaging and MRI, to an ethics and jurisprudence course as well research. We were fortunate enough to have two WCCS alumni present at the event, Dr Mufudzi Chihambakwe and Dr Luke Schmidt, who encouraged and motivated the future chiropractors in the African region to go out into the world and make a difference. The delegates were also able to participate in two practical sessions that comprised of an adjusting seminar as well as a pediatrics demo.

The event was the first event the WCCS DUT chapter has hosted in three years and was a resounding success with many guests conveying their well wishes. We would like to thank our sponsors – the Chiropractic Association of South Africa (CASA), Hitech Therapy as well as the department of Chiropractic and the department of Co-operative affairs at the Durban University of Technology. Without their sponsorship and support this event would not have been possible.

We look forward to more events like this in the future!

Keiron Boosi
Africa's Regional Coordinator and A.R.E Convener 2019



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EUROPE

This last year has been a good year for the European Region!

After the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Johannesburg, the European students had the opportunity to see each other again at the European Regional Event (EU RE) which was hosted at the McTimoney College of Chiropractic, Abingdon, UK, the last weekend of November. It was a great weekend and a big achievement with two physiotherapy's students attending the event. It was a good way to share opinions and create connections with other health care students.

During this year, Europe welcomed back two chapters who missed the AGM in South Africa, the Barcelona College of Chiropractic (BCC) Chapter and the Chiropraktik Akademie (CPA) Chapter. We also added two new chapters at the European members' list: the University of Zurich (UZH) Chapter and the London South Bank University (LSBU) Chapter.

After an inspiring AGM in Australia, where all the ten European Chapters were present, delegates from Europe are still enjoying the summer break. European universities will start again in September and, in the meantime, all the chapters are getting excited for the upcoming Regional Event (RE) which will be hosted by Jakob Dersch and his team at the University of Southern Denmark (SDU), in Odense, Denmark, from the 29th of November till the 1st of December. Keep an eye on the Event Facebook Page for more details!

Nadège Paillon, from the Institut Franco-Européen de Chiropraxie (IFEC) in Toulouse, has already started working on the 2020th EU RE. I am also happy to share that Kyra Heller, from the University of Zurich, was elected convener for the 2021st EU RE. Another exciting announcement is that Europe will host the 2021st AGM, congratulations to Sophie Donaldson, from The Welsh Institute of Chiropractic (WIOC), for being elected convener.

Looking forward to see you all soon at the Regional Event!

Sara Presazzi
European Regional Coordinator



WESTERN PACIFIC

The Western Pacific region is coming off of a successful 2018/2019, highlighted by hosting one of the largest Annual General Meetings to date in Brisbane this past July. AGM was an opportunity to showcase some of the incredible people working in the Western Pacific region, with both Clare Halpin and Dr. Jenna Duehr presenting and discussing their current and future research. Looking forward to 2019/2020, chapters plan to continue to grow with fundraising and outreach events. The Western Pacific region is also very proud to have two board of directors members representing our area, with Dr. Fraser McClymont continuing as Director of External Events, and Dr. Jenna Duehr joining the BoD as secretary. The 2020 regional event will take place in Perth, Australia, hosted by Murdoch University, and will have a theme of "Patient Centered Care in Modern Interdisciplinary Practice".

Dylan Kucheravy
Western Pacific Regional Coordinator



REPORT: WCCS @ GLOBAL FESTIVAL OF ACTION

MAY 2-4 22019, BONN, GERMANY



From the 2nd-4th of May, we had the opportunity to represent WCCS at the United Nations Global Festival of Action for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Bonn, Germany.

In 2015 all United Nations Member States outlined 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to be achieved by 2030th with the aim to "leave no one behind".

The purpose of this Festival, that takes place every year, is to gather together SDGs Campaigners and multi-stakeholder to take action for

the SDGs keeping in mind the 5 P's of the SDG campaign: People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace and Partnership.

By attending this festival we wanted to explore how WCCS can play a bigger part in supporting the SDG's and our aim was to expose people to



chiropractic and its potential role in achieving Goal #3 'Good Health & Well-being' as well as establishing a network of people for potential collaboration.

Thus, on a panel where all the SDGs were listed and where people were given a post-it to write something on a specific goal, on the space reserved to Goal #3, we attached a post-it stating: 'Include chiropractic in healthcare worldwide and make it easily accessible to all!'

What we realized by attending the event is the importance of having a global view on the SDGs. Indeed, many of them are related to each other (for instance, climate change has an influence on people's health as well as on food production, thus in order to ensure healthy lives we need to address those problems as well). So, if we want to achieve The Agenda 2030, we have to implement several goals at the same time.

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Almost every WCCS chapter already does community services related to SDG's as part of their activities, but how can we make these actions bigger and more visible?

We need to TAKE ACTION and challenging other health care organizations to play a role as well during the GLOBAL WEEK TO #Act4SDGs that will take place from the 20th till the 29th of September!

Remember to post, tweet and share your stories of how you #act4SDGs.

More information on this campaign will be sent out soon to all the chapters on how to show the World that WCCS acts for SDGs.

For more information on the event we attended, you can have a look at the WCCS YouTube Channel for the daily video updates we recorded during the event

Sincerely,

Sara Presazzi. European Regional Coordinator

Emilie Claerbout, Former Director of Public Relations 2018-2019



REPORT: WCCS @ WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY

MAY 20-28, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND



Geneva. The Gateway to the Alps. The Capital of Peace. Throughout history, this esteemed city has been the centre of historic events, and most recently, is the home of many international causes such as the UN, the Red Cross and, most relevant for health professionals globally; The World Health Assembly. The 72nd World Health Assembly was held in Geneva in May, and our delegates made their way to the esteemed country; eagerly prepared to represent the chiropractic youth at the epicentre of global health and health policy.

Our WCCSers found themselves integrated with three delegations; the International Pharmacy Students Federation (IPSF), the International Federation of Medical Students Associations (IFMSA) and the World Federation of Chiropractic (WFC). This involvement across the different delegations signified a positive step in the right direction, with our members having the distinct opportunity to not only network with these groups but gave delegates an opportunity to represent the WCCS and Chiropractic to those who may have never heard of it.



Our former Public Relations Director Emilie Clarebout was selected to join the IFMSA delegation and as a result, touched down in Geneva early to spend a week-long intensive pre-WHA training session with the rest of the IFMSA delegation; learning skills in networking, facilitating true multi-disciplinary and multi-sectoral care and personal development skills. Our Vice-President Dr Fraser McClymont joined a few days later and engaged in the IPSF pre-WHA training to become more educated in the challenges facing the pharmacy profession. Both

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delegates were not only surprised by the new information they had gained but the similarities that the issues that chiropractic, medicine, pharmacy and the healthcare sector as a whole were so translatable.

For our Immediate Past President Dr. Danielle Wiesner, European Regional Coordinator Sara Presazzi and CMCC Chapter President Jordanne Buote, the WFC delegation prepared delegates through an evening; outlining expectations and conduct for the event. Together; the WCCS delegates placed high expectations on themselves to build meaningful relationships and to promote chiropractors in the field of global health. Throughout the assembly, our delegates were geared towards different side events, holding a presence in conversations so the WCCS was known where we turned.



The WCCS engages these meetings in two different ways; spreading delegates to have a presence in many different locations or, for issues more pertinent to the chiropractic profession, by including more to give ourselves the opportunities to

have a more compelling presence. The second of these occurred during the small working group and discussion on “The Role of the Next Generation in Addressing NCDs: youth strategy meeting”. In this meeting; WCCSers were able; due to the size and platform of discussion, to positively represent the profession as an appropriate provider in addressing the NCD’s. On top of that, comments were also made to the significance that Chiropractors have in tackling the ever-growing NCD crisis by non-chiropractors; a very positive attitude for the future.

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The WCCS also attended breakaway sessions such as the “PHC in achieving #Health for all: A Youth lead discussion with the WHO PHC Young Leaders network” and “Decade of Healthy Aging (2020- 2030). Ideas and propositions to reach people and build healthy societies” and “Symposium on innovative financing for NCD’s ” to find ways in which we, as the youth of the chiropractic profession, could best prepare ourselves for the future and position ourselves as an effective, financially and outcomes measured alternative for healthcare.

However, the WCCS really out-shined itself with our invitation to the Call to Action: Addressing the 18 million health workers shortfall. As a part of being invited to this high-level meeting, a consequence of participating on the GWHN Youth Hub, we were required to write a statement on what our organization was going to do to address the 18 million healthcare worker shortage. Now, of all the submissions entered, the

WCCS was one of 36 accepted for publication by the World Health Organization.

We, as an organization, have noticed the changes of opinions towards chiropractors over the years of attending the WHA. The critical comments have been replaced with encouraging words, the misconceptions have transitioned into invitation. And with this change of attitude, the WHO have begun changing their organization; highlighting the need to promote health and well-being. This perspective gives us a leverage in the coming years; the future is bright for chiropractic.

Dr. Fraser McClymont
Director of External Affairs

