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## **Collaborator #49: PAINS Team, ATBH Presentations, New Resources and Thanks to Brimhall, Elliott and Myers-Ciecko - January 2014**



Hello All - To "represent," as my then adolescent son taught me to put it a few years back, is part of what we do in ACCAHC. We bring the values, practices and disciplines associated with integrative health and medicine into key healthcare initiatives. This Collaborator shares news of upcoming roles of our volunteers and staff in two such critical dialogues. One is on the nation's direction on the treatment of pain, and the second in the evolution of the healthcare teams via the movement for interprofessional practice and education. In this issue, we also give a small measure of our great thanks to three members of ACCAHC's Board of Directors who have transitioned off: **Joe Brimhall, DC, Horace Elliott, and JoAnne Myers-Ciecko, MPH.** We won't let them get too far away! - John Weeks, Executive Director

Note: **Opportunities and Announcements** are at the bottom of this newsletter.



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## **Three ACCAHC Presentations to Give Integrative Values, Practices and Disciplines Presence at Key Interprofessional Conference**

Over 650 submissions to present were received by the organizers of the [All Together Better Health #7 conference in Pittsburgh](#) June 6-8, 2014. ACCAHC's staff and volunteers submitted four; three were accepted.



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## **Previous Issue**



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- "Collaborating to Foster New Interprofessional Teams: Case Study of a Multidisciplinary Academic Consortium to Advance Inclusion of Licensed Complementary and Alternative Medicine Professions" -  
*for presentation* (**Elizabeth Goldblatt, PhD, MPA/HA, John Weeks**)

- "Interprofessional Education in the Clinical Training of CAM students" -  
*for presentation* (**Beth Rosenthal, PhD, MBA, MPH, Anthony Lisi, DC**)

- "The Project for Integrative Health and the Triple Aim (PIHTA): A Case Study on Sharing Supportive Evidence & Collaborating on Best Practices" -  
*as poster* (**Barb Reece, RN, BS, John Weeks, Deborah Hill, MS**)

Roughly 700 educators and clinicians are expected to attend. Great to be present and creating changes of inclusion in the emerging care teams that are the focus of this conference. Thanks to Beth/Anthony and Barb/Deb. Investment from the sustaining

donor participation of **Life University** will be used to cover ACCAHC costs in participating.

## ACCAHC Task Force on Integrative Pain Care Team to Participate in PAINS Annual Meeting

The integrative health disciplines will be well represented when the [Pain Action Alliance to Implement a National Strategy \(PAINS\)](#) holds its annual meeting in Washington, DC, January 26-28, 2014. The organization convenes leading government, non-governmental, consumer and industry stakeholders with an interest in the future of pain treatment. Research Working Group co-chair **Martha Menard, PhD, CMT**, a principal with Sigma Applied Research, serves as ACCAHC ambassador to the PAINS Steering Committee. She will be joined by three members from the ACCAHC Task Force on Integrative Pain Care: **Kevin Wilson, ND**, a member of the Oregon Pain Commission; recent Clinician Working Group member **Steve Cina, Lac**, from the New England School of Acupuncture; and **Heather Tick, MD**, endowed chair in integrative pain treatment at the University of Washington and author of *Holistic Pain Relief*. Tick will also be there representing the Consortium of Academic Health Centers for Integrative Medicine.



The team has developed a focused strategy for the meeting. In general, it is promoting a heightened focus on: 1) the importance of inclusive care teams, and 2) earlier rather than last resort use of integrative strategies. More next month! Participation is supported by a general fund investment from the **Leo Guthman Fund**.

## Transitions on the ACCAHC Board of Directors: Gomes, Kollasch and Reding Enter; Elliott, Brimhall and Myers-Ciecko Depart

The ACCAHC Board of Directors has elected three new members. These are: **Stacy Gomes, EdD**, the vice president for academic affairs for Pacific College of Oriental Medicine and a nominee from the Council of Colleges of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (CCAOM), for which she serves on the executive committee; **Martin Kollasch, DC, MBA, PhD(c)**, the executive vice president of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE), through which he was nominated; and **Nichole Reding, MA, CPM, LDM**, a member of the faculty at Birthingway Midwifery School and the board of the Midwifery Education Accreditation Council (MEAC), through which she was nominated. Great to have these new members! Meantime, each has big shoes to fill.

**Horace Elliott** recently retired after 27 years with NBCE, most recently as executive vice president. His wisdom and experience have been anchors for ACCAHC in its growth and development, particularly in the last two years when he served as interim treasurer on the ACCAHC Board. Horace has moved to Texas in his semi-retirement and we're hoping to find ways to keep him connected.

**Joe Brimhall, DC** has served on ACCAHC's Board of Directors and executive committee since the organization was incorporated. An authority on accreditation - he currently chairs the Northwest Commission of Colleges and Universities - Joe has had a lead role in most of ACCAHC's structural and membership decisions. He is a core member on the ACCAHC Policies Bylaws and Membership Committee. Twice Joe made University of Western States available to ACCAHC for biennial gatherings. Joe has been a huge contributor in multiple ways.

**JoAnne Myers-Ciecko, MPH**, past MEAC nominee, for which she formerly served as executive director, has been ACCAHC's chief connection to the midwifery field since 2005 when she participated in steering the National Education Dialogue. JoAnne had the lead on the midwifery section of the primary care project report and plans to continue to be involved with that project in a next phase under discussion.

Note that Gomes will take a position that was held by ACCAHC chair Liza Goldblatt, PhD, MPA/HA. However, as a founding member of the ACCAHC Board of Directors, Goldblatt is able, under ACCAHC's bylaws, to stay on in that capacity, which she has chosen to do.

## Working Group Presentations Available: CCNM's In-Hospital Clinic, Samueli's REAL Methodology, Integrative Medicine as Team Services

Recent presentations and discussions in ACCAHC working groups are resources available to each of you, and your colleagues. Here are three recent presentations and how to access them.

**The Brampton Hospital Teaching Clinic of the Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine** (31 slide presentation available [here](#)) Presentation and discussion led by CCNM's dean of naturopathic medicine Nick De Groot, ND and associate dean Mitchell Zeifman, BSc, ND, a member of the ACCAHC Clinical Working Group (CWG). Developed via the CWG and presented January 8, 2014.

**Samueli Institute's "Rapid Evidence Assessment of the Literature (REAL)" Method** (webinar, with slides and discussion, linked [here](#)) systematic review. Samueli CEO Wayne Jonas, MD, former NIH Office of Alternative Medicine director and ACCAHC Council of Advisers member, and Cindy Crawford, Samueli's research manager. Developed via the Research Working Group and presented January 7, 2014.

**Integrative Medicine as Team Services** (7 slide presentation [here](#)) from a presentation by Education Working Group (EWG) member Carolyn Tague, MA CMT. Presently of [Tague Consulting](#), Carolyn was a long-time clinician, administrator and educator at California Pacific Medical Center's pioneering integrative health center. Developed via the EWG and presented November 7, 2013.

Side-note: **Samueli's Systematic Review workshop: February 21-23, 2014**, the Samueli Institute will offer a Systematic Review Workshop in San Diego at UCSD. Click [here](#) for information.

## Brief Notes on ACCAHC Activities

The emerging [Academy of Integrative Health and Medicine](#), a Mimi Guarneri, MD-led initiative that is a transformation and expansion of the American Board of Integrative Holistic Medicine, has invited ACCAHC to be involved in planning the new endowed entity. John Weeks, ACCAHC founding director **Pamela Snider, ND**, and Council of Advisers member **Len Wisneski, MD** participated in an early December retreat in La Jolla, California. See the Academy's [kick-off release here](#). ACCAHC is noted ... The ACCAHC Project to Enhance Research Literacy (PERL) on the Center for Optimal Integration site is in the process of being reviewed by a second set of reviewers prior to its opening to the public. If you were on the list, please get your comments to Deb Hill, MS, project manager for PERL, by January 24 at [dhill@accahc.org](mailto:dhill@accahc.org) ...

ACCAHC was contacted by an administrator for a hospital in Ohio who has been "tasked with researching the development of inpatient massage therapy services" and put in touch with the **Hospital Based Massage Therapy Competencies Task Force** started through the Clinical and Education Working Groups ... Welcome **Beth Howlett, MAOM, LAc** to the ACCAHC Education Working Group. She is part-time faculty and community education coordinator at ACCAHC individual college member **Oregon College of Oriental Medicine**. Beth has already contributed to our PAINS work. Howlett fills a slot vacated by **Ron Zaidman, MBA**, president of ACCAHC President's Level member **Five Branches University** ... ACCAHC provided requested information for a teaching module next month for Northwestern Integrative Medicine on "Inter-disciplinary Team Care" for their 4th year medical student rotation ... A [video](#) on the October 28-31, 2013 International Congress for Clinicians in Complementary and Integrative Medicine includes short cameos from Clinical Working Group members **Marcia Prenguber, ND** and **Nancy Conway, MS** as well as executive director John Weeks ...

## Brief Notes on Activities of ACCAHC Participants and Member Organizations

Long-time ACCAHC executive committee member and Clinical Working Group co-chair **Marcia Prenguber, ND** has take a new position, [announced here](#), as dean of naturopathic medicine at individual college member **University of Bridgeport**. Prenguber is presently director of integrative care for Goshen Health Care/University of Indiana Health System ... Clinical Working Group member **Nancy Conway, MS**, shares job opportunities in integrative health offered by her employer, Aurora Health Care. The description for acupuncturists is [here](#), for massage therapists is [here](#), and for chiropractors [here](#) and chiropractic assistants is [here](#). The system has one of the most broadly integrated programs in the country. Share these links with members of your professions ...

Research Working Group member **Ryan Bradley, ND, MPH** is now assistant professor at individual college member **National College of Natural Medicine** ... In an interesting cross-fertilization, John Rosa, DC, the chair of the board of **New York Chiropractic College** has now joined the board of **Maryland University of Health Sciences**. Both institutions are president-level individual college members for ACCAHC ...

## Opportunities and Announcements

### **New**

**Job Opening - Research Director at Oregon College of Oriental Medicine**  
OCOM research director and former RWG member **Deborah Ackerman, PhD** is retiring. She sends information on the position that is available [here](#).

**Job Openings - LAc, DC, massage therapist in Aurora Health** Care Clinical Working Group member **Nancy Conway, MS**, shares job opportunities in integrative health offered by her employer, Aurora Health Care. The description for acupuncturists is [here](#), for massage therapists is [here](#), and for chiropractors [here](#) and chiropractic assistants is [here](#). The system has one of the most integrated programs in the country ...

**Job Openings for the new Academic of Integrative Health and Medicine** is looking for a part-time director of education and director of certification. Information is [available here](#). ACCAHC has a representative in an informal advisory team for this initiative.

**Assessment tools for interprofessional education** The National Center for Interprofessional Practice and Education, with which many ACCAHC individual and institutions are involved as [community members](#), has created a new Resource Exchange [collection of 26 assessment tools](#) for IPE, complete with validation information and, in most cases, access to view, download or ways to request a copy of the instrument.

### **Previously Noted**

**January 31, 2014** Early registration fees for the [International Research Congress on Integrative Medicine and Health](#), Miami, May 13-16, 2014 expire. Complete your registration by Friday, January 31 to save up to \$100. ACCAHC is a partner organization.

**February 21-23, 2014** Via ACCAHC Council of Advisers member **Wayne Jonas, MD**: Samuels Institute Systematic Review Workshop to be held in San Diego at UCSD. [Click here for information.](#)

**March 1, 2014** The Journal of Interprofessional Care will devote a special issue to [Synergies among interprofessional education, interprofessional practice, and integrative medicine](#). Editors include ACCAHC's EWG chair **Michael Wiles, DC, MEd**, and Council of Advisers member **Adi Haramati, PhD**. Expressions of interest should be made no later than 1 March 2014, by contacting **Shelley Adler, PhD** ([adlersh@ocim.ucsf.edu](mailto:adlersh@ocim.ucsf.edu)). All manuscripts must be submitted by 1 July 2014.

**May 13-16, 2014** [International Research Congress on Integrative Medicine and](#)

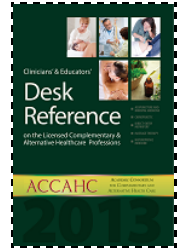
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**June 6-8, 2014** [All Together Better Health](#). Major interprofessional education and practice conference, Pittsburgh. ACCAHC has 2 presentations and one poster.

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