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ACCAHC Tuesday Letter: May 3, 2011

Sent one or more Tuesdays of each month to ACCAHC leaders and project participants

Hello ACCAHC Board Members, WG Members, Organizational Leaders, Advisers, Key Donors & Friends - This is the **23rd** Tuesday Letter. If you wish to communicate something with the whole group, please let us know. This letter is also attached. – John Weeks, ACCAHC Executive Director

ACCAHC Biennial Meeting Updates

- **Lunches with Experts: Academic center partnerships, VA integration, health system partnerships, primary care, CAHCIM, IPE** Interested in informally exploring these topics with national leaders? Optional lunch discussions on Monday and Tuesday will give you exception access to top national resources. Thanks to these Council of Advisers members and other guests for saying yes to this additional role: **John Gilbert, Adam Perlman, Lori Knutson, Michael Goldstein, Mary Jo Kreitzer, Anthony Lisi and Adi Haramati**. *New participant: Anne Nedrow, MD*, IM leader at Oregon Health Sciences University and the Oregon Collaborative for Integrative Medicine will also join us.
- **Primary Care/Policy to be highlighted in Monday PM session** Discussion with the Board led to a schedule change. The primary care segment, featuring UCLA's **Michael Goldstein, PhD**, and the federal policy section, featuring Integrated Healthcare Policy Consortium chair **Len Wisneski, MD**, will each be on Monday afternoon. We'll circulate the fully updated schedule shortly.

Participation looks like it will be in the 60-80 person range. If you haven't registered, please do. If you know additional professionals who are good collaborators and would like to attend, please contact Beth Rosenthal (brosenthal@accahc.org). She'll get an invite to them.

ACCAHC opens Center for Optimal Integration “placeholder” website (www.optimalintegration.org)

A place-holder site is now up at the web-address where ACCAHC will host the Center for Optimal Integration. Click in to www.optimalintegration.org. The site has a link to the 8 page brochure used in

work to support Center outreach and funding. A click-through, 25 slide presentation on ACCAHC and the Center is also available, either for viewing or downloading. The ACCAHC site (www.accahc.org) now has a banner link to the Center site. Check it out! Step by step ...

International IPE leader John Gilbert, PhD joins ACCAHC Council of Advisers

John Gilbert, PhD, a world-traveling leader and promoter of the importance of interprofessional education in bettering health care has chosen to join the ACCAHC board of advisers. Gilbert participated in a “tele-dialogue” with ACCAHC members on November ([recording available here](#)) and will keynote the ACCAHC Biennial Meeting. [Gilbert’s brief bio is here](#). IPE is core business for ACCAHC’s mission. Note that Gilbert is co-chair of the conference noted below. Welcome, John!

Heads-up: Consider helping ACCAHC create significant presence at major North American IPE conference, November 19-21, Tucson

Following ACCAHC Executive Committee and Board of Directors discussions in April, ACCAHC will increasingly approach the interprofessional education and care (IPE or IPE/C) community as a target audience for fulfilling on the ACCAHC mission. One venue is the [Collaborating Across the Borders III Conference](#), November 19-21, 2011 sponsored by the Canadian Center for Interprofessional Education and the U.S.-based American Interprofessional Health Collaborative. (Gilbert, the new ACCAHC Council of Advisers member, is a co-chair of the conference. He also directs the Canadian initiative and was a founder of the US group.) Using funds granted by Lucy Gonda, ACCAHC will sponsor the conference at Copper level (\$2500), giving all of our fields multiple avenues for visibility. ACCAHC will also have a table from which attendees will receive free copies of the [Clinicians' and Educators' Desk Reference on the Licensed Complementary and Alternative Healthcare Professions](#). ACCAHC friends who attend will be equipped with copies to hand out. ACCAHC has submitted an abstract to present on our collaboration, competencies for optimal integration, IPE resources and Center plans.

Let John Weeks know if you or your organization has any interest in attending. It’s a great emersion in this growing field – and access point for appropriate integration, ACCAHC’s mission. ACCAHC is seeking to have at least 5 and hopefully more than 10 professionals from our orgs present. (jweeks@accahc.org)

ACCAHC notes: Wickes, Painovich, Schnyer, Rioux, AfMTE, Jill’s List/CEDR

- **David Wickes, DC resigns from the ACCAHC Board** Due to other work pressures, David Wickes, DC has resigned his Board of Directors position. In his letter he stated: “I have an overwhelming list of projects on my plate this year ... I believe the ACCAHC has done a remarkable job and I will continue to endorse its activities.” Sorry we couldn’t get more of David’s time. A process has begun to find a new nominee from the Council on Chiropractic Education.
- **Jeannette Painovich, LAc, DAOM joins Research Working Group** Painovich is a clinician and researcher who led a major inpatient acupuncture study, with RWG member Patricia Herman, ND, PhD. Painovich has a research position associated with Cedars Sinai Hospital. She replaces **Rosa Schnyer, PhD, LAc** who stepped back due to a change in employment. Schnyer wrote: “Personally, I would have loved to be an active part of the organization because I believe you guys do a terrific job. Maybe in the future.”

- **Jennifer Rioux, PhD, MA joins Research Working Group** Rioux is a medical anthropologist and past board member of the National Ayurvedic Medical Association. NAMA is a traditional World Medicines (TWM) member of ACCAHC. Rioux, presently with a research position at the University of Arizona, is a TWM nominee to the RWG.
- **ACCAHC Associate Member Jill's List promotes CEDR** A recent issue of the newsletter from the Craig's list of integrative care, "Jill's List" (www.jillslist.com) has notified its newsletter subscribers of the [Clinicians' and Educators' Desk Reference on the Licensed Complementary and Alternative Healthcare Professions](#) calling it a "must-have desk reference for all CAM and Integrative Medicine Providers."

CAHCIM & Conventional Academic Medicine News

These notes, unless otherwise stated, are from the CAHCIM E-News which is shared with ACCAHC. For further information, please feel free to contact jweeks@accahc.org.

- **Job Opportunity: From ACCAHC Council of Advisers Member Adam Perlman – Director of Education for the Institute for Complementary and Alternative Medicine at UMDNJ** The University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey is actively recruiting for a Director of Education for the Institute for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (ICAM). This position will be responsible for overseeing the educational activities for ICAM, including the Masters track in Integrative Health and Wellness. ICAM is a University-wide initiative housed within the School of Health Related Professions at UMDNJ. The position is a full time faculty position. Masters Degree or PhD with experience in development, direction and assessment of education programs required. Interested candidates should send a letter of intent and updated curriculum vitae Perlman, C/o Margaret Rogers rogersma@umdnj.edu
- **IM leader Tracy Gaudet, MD chosen by Modern Healthcare as one of Top 25 Women in Health Care** Gaudet, who led programs at U Arizona and Duke, is not with the VA. [The list is here.](#)
- **7th Annual Oncology Training Conference for Acupuncturists, Massage Therapists, and Yoga Teachers, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, July 27-29, 2011** This course will provide licensed acupuncturists, licensed massage therapists, and trained yoga teachers an overview of evidence-based practices in cancer care. Topics of recent research findings, recommendations for treating common side-effects, ethical issues, safety issues and case presentations will be presented. For more information on the conference please review the attachment.

Other News & Resources

- **ACCAHC Associate Member Alliance for Massage Therapy Education (AfMTE) to collaborate with Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards** on a project to develop a new national approval program for continuing education courses and providers. AfMTE is "excited about bringing the education and regulatory communities together to build a strong and consistent quality assurance program." The AfMTE [release is here.](#)

EVENTS & CONFERENCES

- **American Association of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine and the Center for Integrative Medicine, University of Maryland Medical School** “Whole Medicine: Teaming Up for Our Patients”, May 13-15, 2011, Baltimore Sheraton.
- **ACCAHC Biennial Meeting June 26-28, 2011** Sign up now if you haven’t already! Consider inviting a colleague who will enhance the ACCAHC community and contribute. Contact Beth Rosenthal, PhD, MBA, MPH at brosenthal@accahc.org
- **Hospital Based Integrative Health Care Conference: Transforming Health Care Practice Aug. 3 – 5** Organized by Lori Knutson-Abbott Northwestern-Allina Hospitals. Also, “The Hospital Setting: Integrative Health Practitioner Training for Massage Therapists” **June 27– July 1**; and “The Hospital Setting: Integrative Health Practitioner Training for Oriental Medicine Professionals” **Aug. 15 – 19**. Information will be available online by April 1st at http://www.allina.com/ahs/anw.nsf/page/ihh_home
- **Collaborating Across the Borders III, November 19-21, 2011**. The Center for Interprofessional Education and the American Interprofessional Health Collaborative are pleased to announce Collaborating Across Borders III. This major conference on interprofessional education will take place on November 19-21, 2011 in Tuscon, AZ.
- **International Research Congress on Integrative Medicine and Health (formerly NARCCIM – sponsored by CAHCIM): [May 15-18, 2012](#)**

Here’s hoping you find this efficient and useful. Let me know if you have information to report or ideas for how the Tuesday Letter might better serve you.

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