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MEETING NOTES

Friday, 20 MAY 2016, Geneva, Switzerland

**PRESENT:**

Kristin Grace, New Zealand Chiropractic Board

Angela Sinclair, New Zealand Chiropractic Board

Penny Bance, General Chiropractic Council

Kalim Mehrabi, BPP University (for McTimoney Chiropractic College)

Patricia Frank, Canadian Chiropractic Examining Board

Gerald Olin, Canadian Chiropractic Examining Board

Lisa Richard, Federation of Canadian Chiropractic

Jakob Lothe, Norwegian Chiropractors’ Association

Michael Shobbrook, Councils on Chiropractic Education International / Council on Chiropractic Education Australasia

Ian Beesley, European Chiropractors Union

Oystein Ogre, European Chiropractors Union

Cynthia (Cindy) Peterson, European Council on Chiropractic Education

Phillip Donato, Chiropractic Board of Australia

Damiano Costa, World Congress of Chiropractic Students

Michael Badham, Chiropractic Board of Australia

**1. Welcome and introduction**s – *Dr Lisa Richard*

Dr Richard opened the meeting at 9.10am

7th meeting of ICRC, Montreal 2009 1st meeting.

Note next meeting in conjunction with WFC in Washington DC 2017.

**2. CCEI Update** - *Dr Michael Shobbrook*

Important link between accreditation and regulation. Noting each country sets its own law and regulation. Three members presently: CCEA, CCEC, ECCE within umbrella of CCEI.

Discussion of CCE-US withdrawal, possible unintended consequences for students

Canada – concerns about graduates, reliability of education, portability, credibility of professions.

Discussion of US based institutes opening campuses overseas and who they would approach for accreditation

Discussion of Part 1 CCEA assessment being useable by others.

**3. Accreditation Standards** – *Dr Michael Shobbrook*

PowerPoint presentation

**4. ECCE accreditation** *– Dr Cynthia Peterson*

Their status under review with ENQA (European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education)

Maintain all rights and privileges of ENQA membership

First agency to be reviewed under new European standards. Four standards partially compliant. Have two years to meet requirements.

Seeking improved staffing, increased funding (presently supported by ECU and accredited programs)

Exploring resources to offer accredited programs

European accreditation has multiple levels for institutes, may affect need for separate chiropractic accreditation. Possible joint model?

*Note on Switzerland* – medicine/hospital/search based: patient focused – no professional regulatory body, just state body.

**5. Pursuit of formal arrangement for ICRC** – *Dr Marie Warner, President International Society of Dental Regulators, CEO - Dental Council of New Zealand*

Move from collaboration to formal work: www.isdronline.org

Sharing not reinventing wheel. Includes regulators, accreditation and examination bodies. Lifting worldwide standard by sharing policy

Support research, policy analysis and policy development, global impact.

Society established, registered in large jurisdiction, corporate image.

Seed money put in – working to bring new members in – cost structure, cost recovery. Takes time – governance structure, willing to share bylaws

Note that important that staff and government both engaged and attend and protect institutional knowledge.

**6. Inappropriate conduct in unregulated jurisdictions, Inappropriate teaching**. *Dr Phillip Donato – Chiropractic Board of Australia*

Discussion on drafting a Statement on behaviour in unregulated jurisdictions that ICRC stakeholders could support. The issue of holding licensees/registrants accountable for their actions outside their country of origin is also being explored by other professions.

**7. ICRC Model** *–**Dr Phillip Donato*

Presentation: slides

Discussion started 2009, purpose incorporate discussion from 2015.

Currently hard to administer informal structure

Formal vs informal – succession, member’s ability to share information

Costs currently $5000, insurance, IT, EO.

Begin process of formalising.

Should be standing agenda item for all teleconferences.

**8. Competency Assessments**

*Patricia Frank, Canadian Chiropractic Examining Board*

PowerPoint presentation.

Discussion on Canadian examination focused on failure rate.

Assessing individuals not programmes.

**9. World Congress of Chiropractic Students**

*Dr Damiano Costa, WCCS President*

Presentation – 23-25 schools represented in survey by International Mobility Committee

Working to connect with other student health care associations.

Focus on unity in the profession.

**10. World Federation of Chiropractic**

Not presented – apologies From Dr Richard Brown and Dr Stathis Papadopolous received.

**11. New policies around the globe**

*Dr Oystein Ogre, President, European Chiropractors Union*

Dr Grace – New Zealand advertising policy: Advertising and social media.

Dr Badham – Advertising, evidence basis, reiterating policies, treating paediatrics.

**12. Roadblocks to Regulation in developing countries – How can we help?**

*Dr Lisa Richard, ICRC Chair*

Continuation of ICRC best way to help and invite others.

**13. Adopt a preferred method of communication throughout the year to promote continued liaison and communication among members to retain engaged beyond annual face-to-face meetings** – *Dr Lisa Richard*

Online forum?

Members only section of website?

Members only section on website – deposit of information.

**14. Next ICRC in-person meeting**

15 March 2017 – in conjunction with WFC: Washington, DC, USA.

Meeting closed 5.00pm.

(Doodle poll to be conducted for next conference call to determine optimal dates, times)