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From: Groft, Stephen (NCCAM)
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 3:11 PM
To: 'Mary Jo Kreitzer'
Cc: Chang, Michele (NCCAM); Kingsbury, Doris (NCCAM)
Subject: RE: chmie

March 16 MTG

Mary Jo,

Thank you. The registration for the meeting is now live on our website at <http://whccamp.hhs.gov>. You may want to advise people to pre-register, especially the speakers. The speakers can also send a copy via e-mail to me at sgl8b@nih.gov. This would be a very good way to receive the oral comments. If they don't send the e-mail copies. We would ask them to bring 10 copies to the meeting for distribution to the Commissioners present at the meeting. It is much easier to have as many as possible beforehand for us to provide to the Commission members.

The proposed list of speakers looks really good. It will be a busy day.

Thank you for your help.

Steve Groft

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It has been good to talk with so many of you on the phone as well as get your e-mail notes. The input has been both rich and quite consistent. Kathy S. gets the award for the most names submitted as potential panelists - there were 24 local names of which 12 will likely end up on panels. Please review this "close to final" list - as you will see, many names have been confirmed. I am asking Pat C. and Diane to confirm several as noted on the attachment. Diane and Pat are both out of town until the 26th. We will try to get a meeting set up of the local planning committee soon after they return.

- I did send a letter of invitation to the Governor asking him to offer a welcome and brief remarks. Chris Foley planned to contact a friend with connections in that office to encourage a positive response. Diane - if there is more that you can do, go for it!

- Please keep the evening of March 15th free for the reception at the George's. We will be inviting to this event the local planning committee, people who are testifying, legislators involved in CAM, CAM leaders, and

of
course, the WHC staff and commissioners. Invitations will likely go out
the end of this week.

- I asked Steve G. about the written testimony - does not need to be in
any
particular form.

If you have questions, please get in touch. MJ

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Jo Michelle Stone

3/26/01

From: LCald29358@aol.com
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Subject: Re: March 16 Town Hall Meeting

James S. Gordon, M.D. Stephen C. Groft, PharmD

Dear Mr. Gordon,

I am pleased that you gave our community the opportunity to present a synopsis of our views. You may feel free to call upon us for further details at your convenience. We will continue to support the flow of information in order to reduce misunderstandings.

Again, Thank you for your time and efforts on behalf of the American Public.

Larry P. Caldwell, D.O.M., L.Ac.
President of the Acupuncture Association of Minnesota

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Further to our recommendation that the Commission support adequate funding of the FDA Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, so tha the Center can implement its long-range plan for dietary supplements, please know that if the Commission considers this an important issue -- important enough to weigh in -- then, timing is critical and a message from the Commission to the Administration should be done before the end of April -- i.e., to be heard in the 2000-1 Appripiations cycle.
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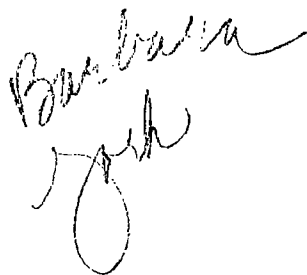
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My name is Joan Albrecht, Michele has asked me to send this final agenda to make sure you have all the names for the name tags. There may have been some changes since the last one that was sent to you. If you are putting organization affiliations on name tags please note the correction of Janet Dahlem, #28 (Michele says it is not essential to have organization affiliations, thanks for your help) You may call me if you would like me to fax this to you, please let me know. Doris and Michele are on their way. My email is joana@mail.nih.gov

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Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2001 4:29 PM
To: Chang, Michele (NCCAM)
Subject: updates on agenda

I just heard today that Dr. Seifert was also testifying (#33 on the agenda). His name is actually Milton Seifert, MD (612-474-4167), and of course #47, representative instead of senator.

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Anita and Jean:

Speakers should be sending you their bio-sketches and testimony directly. We will send you the remaining BB pieces by Tuesday, March 20. Please be sure to have the BB delivered to all Commissioners by Thursday, March 22 so that they receive the materials by Friday, March 23.

Thanks, Doris and I are back in the office on Monday, March 19. You can reach Doris by cell (b)(6). Steve will be in the office Thursday, but in meetings on Friday. Doris will be checking voice mail, but neither of us will have e-mail.

Michele

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From: Anita Allen [mailto:aallen@mail.palladianpartners.com]

Sent: Friday, March 09, 2001 2:13 PM

To: Chang, Michele (NCCAM)

Cc: kbrooks@palladianpartners.com

Subject: Tabs for March 26-27 Briefing Books

Importance: High

Good afternoon!!

Just a friendly reminder that the tabs for the briefing book due on Wednesday, March 14th. As we discussed I will be out of town until March 19th. Please cc Kevin Brooks on the email and he will take care of ordering the tabs. Thanks!!

Anita Allen

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Subject: RE: Tabs for March 26-27 Briefing Books

Hi, Kevin!

Here are the tab headings for the March 26-27 briefing books:

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II. DAY 1: INFORMATION

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- e. Discussion Group Questions

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- c. Nutrition
- d. Self-Care
- e. Background Reading: Wellness
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IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

V. GENERAL INFORMATION

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Subject: WHCCAMP TOWN HALL: MARCH 16, 2001
Importance: High

Thank you for registering* to participate in the 4th White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy Town Hall Meeting, scheduled for Friday, March 16 in Minneapolis, MN. The Town Hall will be held at:

Hubert H. Humphrey Institute
301 19th Avenue South
Cowles Auditorium
Minneapolis, MN
Phone: (612) 625-1806

From 8:00 a.m. -- 5:30 p.m.

YOUR SPEAKING TIME SLOT and ON-LINE REGISTRATION:

Please scroll down to view the Preliminary Agenda/Roster of Speakers for the meeting. We will post a Final Agenda on our website (<http://whccamp.hhs.gov>) by Wednesday, March 14; please be sure to check back to verify whether your speaking slot has shifted from the preliminary schedule listed below.

We ask that you be present in the auditorium at least 30 minutes before you are scheduled to speak. While every effort is made to keep on schedule, please be aware that the start and end times listed in the agenda may change.

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SCHEDULE CHANGE

To accommodate the number of requests to speak, we have extended the Town Hall, which now will begin at 8:00 a.m. and adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS

The agenda is full; no additional speakers will be registered on-site at the meeting on March 16. However, written comments of any length will be accepted, both on-site or through our website:

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WRITTEN STATEMENT

Speakers are requested to submit a written version of their 3-minute oral statement. These may be e-mailed (mailto:changm@mail.nih.gov) or faxed (301-480-1691) to the Commission **no later than March 12, 2001**. You may also bring 10 copies with you to the meeting; copying services will not be provided on-site.

WHO CAN COME?

The Town Hall is open to the public and seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. A transcript of the proceedings will be posted on our website 10-15 days after the meeting. Observers are welcome to videotape the proceedings but must contact the facility to make arrangements.

COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING:

The Honorable James Gordon, Chair

The Honorable George DeVries

The Honorable Wayne Jonas

The Honorable Linnea Larson

The Honorable Joseph Pizzorno

Biosketches of the Commissioners are available on our website.

We look forward to your presentations. Please feel free to distribute any part of this message to other interested individuals. Questions may be directed to Executive Staff at toll-free (1-866-373-1124).

PRELIMINARY AGENDA (a final agenda will be posted on <http://whccamp.hhs.gov> by March 14)

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1. Frank Cerra, MD, Senior Vice President: Academic Health Center, University of Minnesota (U

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- 2. Chris Foley, MD: Healtheast, Woodwinds Clinic
- 3. Roger Chizek: Medtronic
- 4. James D. Woodburn, MD, MS, Medical Director: Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Minnesota
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Integration of CAM into Care Delivery Systems

- 6. Sharon Norling, MD, Medical Director: Mind Body Spirit Clinic, Fairview Health Systems
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- 22. Mary Jo Kreitzer, PhD, Director: Center for Spirituality and Healing
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- 26. Mary Johnson, PhD, RN, Department of Nursing: St. Olaf College
- 27. Janet Dahlem, Director: Wholistic Nurses Association, University of St. Catherine's

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Research

28. Robert Patterson, PhD, Professor, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation: U of M
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Regulation

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37. Michael Myers, JD, Chair of Health Services Administration: University of South Dakota
38. Michael Morris Kleiner, PhD, Professor, Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs: U of M
39. Rob Leach, Executive Director: Board of Medical Practice

1:55 p.m. - 2:35 p.m.

Minnesota Legislation

40. Diane Miller, JD, Attorney at Law
41. Senator Lynda Boudreau (Alt. Ann Richtman)
42. Shirley Brekken, Executive Director: MN Board of Nursing
43. Stephen T. Bolles, DC, VP :Northwestern Health Sciences University
44. Helen Healy, ND: Wellspring Naturopathic Clinic

2:35 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Open Sessions

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Despite increasing the program by 90 minutes, we were still unable to schedule all of the nearly 100 registrants into the program. We are impressed and delighted with the diversity of speakers and range of the issues they will be addressing. We hope that you will consider joining us to observe the process, listen to the comments of your colleagues and neighbors, and take advantage of this unique opportunity to interact with your community and the visiting Commissioners.

We do encourage those we were unable to schedule to submit their comments in writing through our website (<http://whccamp.hhs.gov>), or fax them to us at 301-480-1691. Like oral statements, written comments will be part of the public record, and carry as much weight as oral comments, with the added benefit of not being restricted to 3 minutes.

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The Honorable Joseph Pizzorno

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Albrecht, Joan (NCCAM)

From: Chang, Michele (NCCAM)
Sent: Monday, March 05, 2001 4:09 PM
To: Chris Wennerstrom (E-mail)
Cc: Kingsbury, Doris (NCCAM); Albrecht, Joan (NCCAM)
Subject: Minneapolis

Chris:

The reception will be on Thursday, March 15 from 5:30 -- 7:30 p.m. at the home of Penny and Bill George, (b)(6) Minneapolis. We will meet Commissioners in the hotel lobby at 4:45 p.m. on Thursday to drive over together. Please let me know if George plans on getting to the reception on his own.

The Town Hall will be held on Friday, March 16 from 8:00 a.m. -- 5:00 p.m. at the Humphrey Center on the campus of the University of Minnesota, 301 19th Avenue South.

Doris will confirm the hotel rate and we will send out another e-mail with final information.

Thanks.

Michele M. Chang, MPH, CMT
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☐ **1. Coordinated Research and Development to Increase Knowledge of Complementary Medicine Practices and Interventions.**

- What can be done to expand the current research environment so that practices that lie outside conventional science are adequately and appropriately addressed?
- What types of incentives are needed to stimulate the research of CAM practices at the public and private sectors?
- How can we move effectively integrate the CAM and conventional research community and coordinate research?

☐ **2. Guidance for Access to, Delivery of, and Reimbursement for Complementary and Medicine Practices and Interventions.**

- Do you have ready access to CAM practices and interventions?
- How can access to safe and effective CAM practices and interventions be improved?
- What types of CAM practices and interventions should be reimbursable through federal programs?

other health care coverage systems?

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- Are performance standards or practice guidelines needed to ensure the public will
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- How can useful, reliable, and updated information about CAM practices and interve
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- As a consumer, what kinds of information about CAM practices and interventions a
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Please provide a written summary of your 3 minute oral statement (500 characters c

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Please provide a written summary of your 3 minute oral statement (500 characters or less)

Current legislation in MN does not provide for licensing of 4-year educated naturopathic physicians, nor does it set educational standards. Consumers are missing out on "EXCELLENCE" in holistic preventive care.

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Albrecht, Joan (NCCAM)

From: Albrecht, Joan (NCCAM)
Sent: Wednesday, February 28, 2001 5:27 PM
To: 'Feline4@aol.com'
Subject: RE: Registration for Dr. Milton Seifert

Did you try to register on the website www.whccamp.hhs.gov ? If not please try to and if you have a problem let me know what it is. Thank you, Joan Albrecht I will be leaving now but I will be back early tomorrow morning.

-----Original Message-----

From: Feline4@aol.com [mailto:Feline4@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 28, 2001 5:13 PM
To: Whccamp (NCCAM)
Subject: Registration for Dr. Milton Seifert

This note is to register as a participant in the Minneapolis Town Meeting for the White House Commission on complimentary and alternative care. I understand that this presentation is to be limited to three minutes.

Milton H. Seifert, Jr. M.D.
490 Oak Street
Excelsior, MN 55331

952-474-4167 (office)
612-526-4671 (pager)

Whccamp (NCCAM)

Jo me

To: Chang, Michele (NCCAM)
Subject: FW: Presenting at Upcoming Meeting in Minnesota



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From: Owens, Tenby [mailto:TOwens@slhduluth.com]
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2001 1:25 PM
To: Whccamp (NCCAM)
Subject: Presenting at Upcoming Meeting in Minnesota

Dear sir or madam:

I registered last week and asked to be a presenter at the Commission meeting in Minnesota this Friday. I haven't heard if I have been given a 3 minute slot. However, assuming that I might, I have attached a file of my comments.

Since I live in rural northern Wisconsin and work in northern Minnesota, I hope to know if I will have the opportunity to speak as it is a considerable drive for me.

Thank you, Tenby Owens, Herbalist
Master of Chinese Pulse Diagnosis

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Whccamp (NCCAM)

From: LaVerne B. Lein [lein0004@tc.umn.edu]
Sent: Saturday, March 10, 2001 3:35 PM
To: Whccamp (NCCAM)
Subject: Re: TownHallMtg March16 Registration Form

NCCAM

I DID have a problem, which is why I wrote to you. Now it's too late to register.

How in the world can we support what we cannot register for???

Needless to

say

I'm frustrated, and won't take more time to pursue this further. It's this way

with

alternatives, very difficult to get information about what is going on.

L. Lein

Whccamp (NCCAM) wrote:

> Please go to our website www.whccamp.hhs.gov If you have a problem please

> let me know, thanks, Joan Albrecht

>

> -----Original Message-----

> From: LaVerne B. Lein [mailto:lein0004@tc.umn.edu]

> Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2001 10:14 AM

> To: Whccamp (NCCAM); Laverne B Lein

> Subject: TownHallMtg March16 Registration Form

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> I would like to register for the March 16 meeting of the White House

> Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine. How do we

> register?

>

> La Verne Lein

> email: lein0004@tc.umn.edu

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> address: (b)(6)
Mpls., MN. 55416

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> telephone: (b)(6)

Whccamp (NCCAM)

Jo MC

From: Whccamp (NCCAM)
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2001 8:37 AM
To: Chang, Michele (NCCAM)
Subject: FW: Comments for the Commission

I did not answer her, she is on the list #53. Joan ✓

-----Original Message-----

From: pam.ahrens@childrenshc.org [mailto:pam.ahrens@childrenshc.org]
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2001 4:58 PM
To: Whccamp (NCCAM)
Subject: Comments for the Commission

First Name: Pamela
Middle Initial: L
Last Name: Ahrens
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City: St. Paul
State: MN
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E-mail: pam.ahrens@childrenshc.org

Comment: I am a registered meeting attendee for the March 16th meeting in Minneapolis, but I am not on the speaker schedule. After review of the preliminary speaker schedule, it is not clear that anyone is addressing the fourth focus point: Delivery of Reliable and Useful Information on CAM.

As a master's prepared medical librarian, and in my role as Family Information Specialist for Children's Hospitals and Clinics Integrative Medicine Program, I understand the power of information in knowledge-based health care. Appropriate, "righteous" information is a key element of our care delivery, and the sharing of that information involves all participants in the patient care process, including our families, the physicians and community practitioners, researchers, nurses, and allied health professionals, in order to make informed decisions and explore or define evidence-based treatment options for our patients.

Based on patient surveys conducted in our clinics, almost 60% of our patients' families are already using CAM therapies with their children, and there seems to be very little reliable or useful information on pediatric CAM modalities. Our mission is to offer safe, effective CAM treatment choices that can also be integrated with the specialized care our patients are already receiving at Children's Hospitals and Clinics. For our providers and for our consumers, we look for quality information on a daily basis about clinical trials, dosing, adverse effects or interactions, treatment guidelines or options that may be specific to children, as well as herbs/vitamins/supplements/immune boosters or other CAM products and therapies that are so readily available to everyone now.

We are accustomed to the quick access of electronic information retrieval, and want efficient networks for sharing information, data and experiences that may be of value to others in the pediatric CAM world. We struggle with the quality filtering or evaluation of the information we do find, as well as with the regulations or controls that limit the amount of useful information that is available to us, when we are making health care decisions for patients.

Albrecht, Joan (NCCAM)

From: Albrecht, Joan (NCCAM)
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2001 9:56 AM
To: Chang, Michele (NCCAM)
Subject: FW: Minnesota-commission



Here 'tis, Joan

-----Original Message-----

From: nancy hone [mailto:phonehone@igc.org]
Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2001 4:41 PM
To: Whccamp (NCCAM)
Subject: minnesota-commission

Dear Joan and Michelle and to whom it may concern: I am a cofounder of the Mn. Natural Health Coalition and the Mn. Natural health Legal Reform Project that worked to make natural health legal here that we succeeded in doing last May 11. We are a grass roots citizen group that want access to all kinds of natural health practitioners regardless of their academic backgrounds. So anyway we have rounded up the troops to participate in this wonderful federal opportunity to have the citizens voices be heard and this has generated some questions.:

1) Our nonprofit organization is planning on filming this for historical purposes because Mary Jo Kreitzer has informed us that they(the University of Minnesota where this event will take place) do not have the facilities to film it.

So our question is, do we need to have a release form for you to sign regarding this opportunity or can we just film it.?

2) Mary Jo Kreitzer is telling everyone that the event is 8-5 and your internet site says 8:30-5.
So our question is, which is it?

3) People are having difficulty registering on the website and have given up in disgust. Can they register at the door? There really are 2 questions here. Can just observers register at the door? Can 3 minute testifiers register at the door? There are those who are not on the net that want to come and feel like a deer in the headlights being unable to register. Any suggestions? People are complaining that it has not been a citizen friendly process both with the problems with the website and the problems with the University of Minnesota holding such tight control of who is on the panels. It seems unfortunate.

4) Is it a requirement for the 3 minute testimonies be in writing and submitted in advance? If so, is it in writing by mail or e-mail or do they bring them? Do they send or write so many copies or one copy? At some point we saw on the web site that you wanted it on disc. Is this required? Do you take a MAC disc or just PC?

5) How many commissioners are coming so we know how many copies to make of anything and are additional copies of written testimonies requested?

6)The Mn. Natural Health Coalition Is Sending Recommendations. Do you want this in copies or do you make your own copies? If we do, how many copies.?

7)When does the public participate? Is it after each panel? or is it at the end of the day? People are asking us if they need to take the whole day off work. This has also been a barrier to public participation-being on a work day. (We are just glad you are coming, tho, don't get me wrong!!)

8)Is there anyway that you can tell us how many people have registered so far? The reason for us asking is that we do not want to overwhelm the commission with citizens but rather just give them a taste of what the citizens of Minnesota are thinking .

We await your reply asap to inform our members,

Sincerely,

Nancy Hone 651-690-4123

To Michael 3/9/01

Albrecht, Joan (NCCAM)

From: Jerrijohn@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2001 5:06 PM

To: Whccamp (NCCAM); Sg18b@nih.gov; jkazres@palladianpartners.com

Subject: Oral comment public testimony - Minnesota

Hello folks administering the WHCCAMP hearings. I am from Minnesota, and am registering to testify in the public comment section. I travelled to Washington DC for the last hearing, but was unable to testify. I am a member of the Minnesota Natural Health Coalition and Chair of the Board of the National Health Freedom Coalition. I registered last week, but the website seemed to give difficulties, so I ended up registering by fax. I am now sending in my testimony statements for oral comment. I hope one of these 3 addresses I have been given is the right way to go!

Thank you for all your work in preparation for these hearings!

Could you let me know via email or phone (651 688 6515) if I am in fact registered to testify orally? Also if my initial registration is not completed for some reason, let me know. One more question - I plan to submit a statement of findings and recommendations to the Commission from the Minnesota Natural Health Legal Reform Project. Can I send that by attachment, and who should I send it to? Thanks! Jerri Johnson

Here's my comments:

One hundred years ago, natural forms of health care were a major and integral part of our society. There were over 100 homeopathic hospitals, and 22 homeopathic schools, as well as botanical and eclectic schools. There was conflict and competition between these practitioners and the allopathic or "regular" practitioners.

Near the turn of the century, the AMA's Council on Medical Education did a survey of medical schools and decided which should be purged and which should be supported. They approached the Carnegie Foundation, and asked them to do another study of the state of medical education in America. Abraham Flexner was commissioned to study medical schools and make recommendations on educational standards.

The conclusion of the study? Only those schools which emphasized the chemical and biological sciences would be accredited. Only those which founded their education on laboratory research would receive the massive funding soon to be made available through the Carnegie and Rockefeller Foundations.

Although this was perhaps a boon to research in the medical sciences, the tragic result of the Flexner Report was that the homeopathic, botanical, and eclectic approaches to health care almost completely died out in America. Rules and laws evolved, which established that only graduates of the approved schools could be licensed to practice medicine. Within 20 years, all of the homeopathic schools had closed. The practice of medicine without a license became a criminal offense, punishable in many states by imprisonment. And what was the definition of "the practice of medicine"? Very broad definitions evolved, so that most states now have a definition similar to the Minnesota definition, which says that anyone who "offers or undertakes to prevent, or to diagnose, correct, or treat in any

Joan will be registered
651-688-6515

Called again to make sure she did get on list - will send more info to go all Internet. Also mail it.

manner or by any means, methods, devices, or instrumentalities, any disease, illness, pain, wound, fracture, infirmity, deformity, or defect of any person"

is practicing medicine and must be licensed. In this manner, most herbalists, homeopaths, naturopaths and others were prohibited from offering their services, and tragically, most American citizens lost access to, and eventually, even awareness of the existence of these healing arts.

Those doctors who did graduate from the approved schools were similarly constrained from practicing homeopathic or botanical medicine. They could not even consult with a homeopath, for fear of losing their license. Similar restrictions exist to this day, in the form of requirements to adhere to the "acceptable and prevailing standards of care."

The upshot of the movement to mandate types of health education was that the natural healing arts became illegal to practice. Non-physicians could not practice them because it was the "unlicensed practice of medicine", and physicians could not practice anything outside of the "prevailing standard of care."

While in the rest of the world, the natural healing arts have flourished, developed, and become a substantial part of health care, in America, they vanished for decades.

Today, we stand at a crossroads for health care in America. Natural health care has resurged in popularity as it has been rediscovered by the people, but much of it still remains illegal to practice in most states.

You good folk, who truly love holistic health care, and care about American's access to it, are charged with making recommendations. In your passion for desiring the growth of natural health care, beware of instituting burdensome education mandates, or trying to force the education for the natural healing arts into an institutional system. We might inadvertently end up suppressing natural health care all over again. Only this time, we will have done it to ourselves.

Albrecht, Joan (NCCAM)

From: Jerrijohn@aol.com
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2001 2:44 PM
To: Whccamp (NCCAM)
Subject: recomendations from Minn.

Hi Joan - I finally got this into a format that could be attached - I think! the title of the attachment is "this is in .doc" Thanks for your help. I'll call in a bit to see if you got the email and if you were able to open and read it. Jerri Johnson 651 688 6515. You could also email me back, if you'd rather, just to let me know you can read it. Thanks again. I'd like to verify next week that I am in fact registered. Here's my info if you can't find it:

Jerri Johnson
1760 Gabbro Tr
Eagan, Mn 55122
651 688 6515
degree: BS in Nursing
Org: National Health Freedom Coalition
I would like to present oral testimony
summary of testimony - a look back at the early 20th century, effect of the Flexner report, how mandated educational standards affected natural health care.
This is in the category of educational standards.

Recommendations to the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Minnesota Natural Health Legal Reform Project

The Minnesota Natural Health Legal Reform Project is a grass-roots citizen-based group that works to ensure citizens' legal access to the health care provider and modality of their choice. In May of 2000, we succeeded in passing the *Complementary and Alternative Health Care Freedom of Access Bill*, which devised a creative new way to allow a broad range of health care practitioners to legally practice, thus ensuring maximum citizen choice in health care options.

The following are our findings and recommendations to the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Health Care Policy:

Regulation of Practitioners

Findings

- Every person has the basic right of self-determination and the right to make their own personal choices in the process of their healing. This decision is the most personal decision a person can make.
- Every person has the right to utilize the health care practitioner, treatment, or information source that he or she desires. Citizens have this right regardless of the practitioner's education, training and experience, and regardless of whether the treatment they seek is socially acceptable, well known, "scientifically proven" or generally recognized.
- Many natural health therapies have been used since the beginning of time, and tend to be safe, non toxic and non-invasive. These natural healing arts should be as accessible as possible to all citizens.
- Just as citizens' rights to have freedom of information requires freedom of the press, and just as our rights to practice the religion we choose requires freedom of religious organizations to operate, so the right of citizens to access the healing modality of their choice requires the right of practitioners to be able to practice their trades.
- The biggest obstacle to the use of natural therapies has been the passage in the early 20th Century of medical statutes in almost every state which prohibit "the unlicensed practice of medicine," thus making it illegal for most people to practice any of the healing arts unless they were a licensed physician.
- The medical statutes generally developed an overly broad definition of the practice of medicine. Many are similar to the statute in Minnesota, Statute 147 Subdivision 3(3) which states that anyone who "*offers or undertakes to prevent or to diagnose, correct, or treat in any manner or by any means, methods, devices, or instrumentalities, any disease, illness, pain, wound, fracture, infirmity, deformity, or defect of any person;*" is practicing medicine and must be licensed to do so.
- Before these licensing laws were passed in America, many people assisted others in their health by using herbs, foods, homeopathy, water therapies, and many other healing methods. However, as medical licensing statutes evolved, it eventually became a criminal offense - the "unlicensed practice of medicine" - to help people get well, or to even prevent disease, unless one was medically licensed. As a result, what we today call "complementary and alternative" forms of health care almost disappeared entirely from America in the early 20th Century.

- The role of government regulation is to protect citizens' rights to individual choice and autonomy and to protect them from harm. The public interest is served when citizens have the freedom to make their own choices and the widest possible variety and diversity of options is available to them.
- Licensure works by mandating a required type and extent of education, and restricts individuals who have not met those requirements from practicing. Licensure is not appropriate for many of the healing arts, as it sets up a false assumption: that specific academic criteria are required for an individual to assist someone with the age-old wisdoms of health care.
- Because licensure is so restrictive, it should only be used when necessary to protect the public.
- Licensure requests are often brought for other reasons, such as a desire for third-party reimbursement. Although often advocated for as required to protect the public, typically requests for licensure have been brought by groups of practitioners, not the public asking for protection
- There is a need for legislation to allow unlicensed providers of complementary and alternative health care to practice without fear of criminal prosecution for "practicing medicine without a license."
- Legislative reform can provide a regulatory framework for a broad range of natural health practitioners without requiring licensure.
- Licensed health practitioners also face restrictions, in the form of inability to practice outside of the prevailing standard of care. Practitioners who use therapies that are different than the prevailing standards face the threat of loss of their license, even if the care they use causes no harm.
- The necessity of adhering to the "prevailing standard of care" often inhibits licensed practitioners from utilizing complementary and alternative therapies for their clients.
- Licensed practitioners who are sanctioned for practicing complementary and alternative therapies often feel unfairly treated due to the broad powers of the licensing boards.
- Legal reform is necessary to open up ways for these providers to practice outside of their standard of care, while providing citizens maximum information regarding options in their care.

Recommendations

- Freedom of access legislation, which allows unlicensed providers to continue providing the healing arts to citizens, should be introduced in every state. This legislation should:
 - provide a regulatory framework for the broad range of healing practitioners without requiring licensure.
 - provide an exemption from the medical statute for those practitioners under the regulatory framework, where the medical statute makes it illegal to practice
- The Minnesota Natural Health Legal Reform Project Recommends that Minnesota Statute 146A, the Complementary and Alternative Health Care Freedom of Access Act, be referred to for an example of legislation congruent with the above statements. This statute effectively

balances the responsibility of the government to protect the public with the right of citizens to make their own choices from a broad variety of health and healing options.

- Legal reform should be introduced in every state which allows licensed health care practitioners to practice outside of the prevailing standard of care if there is informed consent and the practice used is not more harmful than the prevailing practice.
- The government should not use its police power to restrict people from practicing their health care trades where harm and fraud are not an issue.
- Any new laws should allow for the greatest possible opportunity for innovations and diversity in order to ensure citizen access to the healing modalities of their choice.

EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

Findings

- Government mandated educational standards for the broad domain of the healing arts can be misleading and unrealistic in terms of assuring quality practice. Government educational mandates set arbitrary numbers of classroom hours at selected types of educational institutions with the receipt of conventional types of academic degrees. However, many forms of natural healing cannot be confined to traditional learning environments or classroom or textbook training--and indeed they need not be. Government educational mandates in an institutional setting may result in missing some of the more intuitive or spiritual dimensions of healing skills which may not be easily defined or tested for, or even taught in an academic setting.
- Practitioner effectiveness may depend on inherent giftedness in the healing art. Skills may be acquired by mentoring with an individual, self-study, or other unconventional methods.
- Attempts by the government to quantify effective preparation needed for a particular healing art may restrict the pool of practitioners and may only serve to eliminate some of the most effective healers and therefore citizen access to them.
- A free and uncensored society is essential to the preservation of wisdom and knowledge of the ancient healing arts.

Recommendations

- Governments should allow unlicensed practitioners to practice regardless of their education and training as long as they practice within reasonable conduct guidelines and provide clients with truthful information regarding their education and training. This will ensure maximum consumer options.
- No restrictions should be put on the dissemination of truthful new ideas and information if there is informed consent.

RESEARCH

- There is a need for creative new methods of researching the healing arts. Double-blind, placebo-controlled studies, which evaluate one variable at a time, are often not useful in evaluating therapies which use holistic methods and treat the whole person.

- There is a need for government funding for research in complementary and alternative therapies, particularly because the typical funding of research relies on profits from the development of procedures or substances which can be patented. However, the natural healing arts and healing substances, being not patentable, do not receive this financial support.
- Access to complementary and alternative therapies should not be dependant on documentation and research patterned after types of research done in conventional medicine. Citizens often find success in using health care methods that have not been researched, and they make evaluations based on their own experiences. They should continue to have access to the modalities they prefer.
- High standards of accountability regarding conflict of interest are needed by government regulatory agencies such as the FDA. Representatives of corporations which manufacture and market vaccines or pharmaceutical drugs should not be on FDA panels which evaluate and approve these products.
- There should be no "revolving door" arrangements allowing an employee or board member of a regulated industry to secure a position with the agency which regulates its products.

CONSUMER ACCESS/REIMBURSEMENT

Findings

- The first requirement for citizen access to the healing arts is that a way be found for the services to be legally practiced. As consumers, we feel our innovative new Minnesota Statute 146a effectively addresses that question for unlicensed practitioners.
- The use of natural therapies through health promotion and disease intervention is often extremely cost-effective and, if implemented, could help to lower health-care costs.

Recommendations

- Citizens with third-party coverage should be able to choose the type of health care and the practitioners that they prefer. The broad range of the healing arts and of practitioners should be an option for all citizens.
- Medical savings accounts and other ways of defining contributions available, rather than defining benefits covered, can help to give citizens more control on how to utilize their health care dollars, while avoiding restrictions on what can be covered.
- We believe there is a need for creative and new ways of looking at reimbursement. The past reliance on government regulation and educational standards does not fit well with the nature of complementary and alternative therapies. Holistic healing is a different paradigm from conventional treatments, and access to third-party coverage also requires a new paradigm.
- Health care plans need to be developed that put the primary concern on meeting the health care needs of the citizens, not the economic interests of the HMO or other providers.

DELIVERY OF RELIABLE AND USEFUL INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC

- The dissemination of information to the public has been stymied by the regulatory climate which made the "unlicensed practice of medicine" a criminal offense, and which made it impossible for licensed health care practitioners to practice outside of the "prevailing standard of care." This legal situation has created a climate of fear, in which practitioners are reluctant to

write or speak publicly about their therapies for fear of prosecution. This is a freedom of speech issue, as well as a freedom of practice issue.

- The first step in increasing the flow of information on healing therapies is to make a way for the therapies to be legally practiced. In Minnesota, because of the imminent implementation of the new Statute 146a, practitioners will be able to publicly give out truthful information without fear of arbitrary prosecution.
- There is a need for more factual and unbiased media coverage of complementary and alternative health care methods.
- There is a need for education of conventional medical practitioners regarding complementary and alternative health care practices. This would allow more free flow of information in both directions, to the benefit of consumers. Conventional practitioners could then provide their clients with information about other healing options, and referrals to alternative providers.

Even the Founding Fathers recognized the importance of citizen health freedom. Benjamin Rush, M.D., one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, wrote:

"The Constitution of this Republic should make special provision for Medical Freedom as well as Religious Freedom... To restrict the art of healing to one class of men and deny equal privileges to others will constitute a bastille [prison] of medical science. All such laws are un-American and despotic."

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(Dr) James Gordon [psychiatrist, director of the Center for Mind-Body Medicine in DC]

George DeVries [from San Diego, founded a service network for CAM providers]

Linnea Larson [social worker background, from Illinois]

(Dr) Wayne Jonas [former director of the Office of Alternative Medicine, now National Center....]

(Dr) Joseph Pizzorno [naturopathic doctor from Seattle]

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>Dear Commission and Steve Graft:
>Following is a copy of the letter I sent accompanying recommendations
>to
>the commission from the Minnesota Natural Health Coalition that I sent
>priority mail today, Friday March 9,2001. I did not send it on disc as
>I
>have a MAC and did not know if you had compatibiliby. Therefore I am
>e-mailing it to you for your convenience. We look forward to your visit
>next Friday. Sincerely, Nancy Hone

Minnesota Natural Health Coalition
c/o Nancy Hone

(b)(6)
St. Paul, Minnesota 55104
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March 6, 2001

>Dear WHCCAMP:
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>Enclosed are the recommendations from the Minnesota Natural Health
Coalition
>I was asked to forward to you by our citizens group. This is in
preparation
>for the Commission's visit to Minnesota on March 16.
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>I have enclosed 20 copies of the Minnesota Natural Health Legal Reform
>Project's newsletter announcing the passing of Minnesota's unique
health
>freedom law for your commissioners.
>
>In addition, I am e-mailing you a copy of our recommendations for ease
of
>your use.
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>We look forward to your visit here with anticipation.
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>Sincerely,
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>Nancy G. Hone, cofounder Mn. Natural Health Coalition
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>nh:NH
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March 6,2001
>Minnesota Natural Health Coalition Recommendations to the White House
>Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine
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>WHO WE ARE: We are a nonprofit, Minnesota, grass roots, citizen based
group
>that decided we wanted legal access to the health care provider and
>modality of our choice.We formed this group in 1996 in response to
>sanctions placed upon several licensed as well as unlicensed providers
of

>alternative therapies in the state of Minnesota. This was in addition to
>the persecution of natural therapies that has gone on for hundreds of
>years. These are some of the factors that influenced our group to
decide to
>educate the public that there is a problem so that action could be
taken to
>change the political environment of suppression of alternative health
care
>options.
>
>The following are statements from this citizen group to tell this
>President's Commission what problems citizens recognize, what principles
we
>stand for and what we recommend for your consideration.
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>*****EVERY PERSON SHOULD BE ABLE TO HAVE ACCESS TO THE TYPE OF
HEALING OR
>HEALTH CARE THEY DESIRE AND THE PRACTITIONER THAT THEY HAVE DECIDED
UPON
>REGARDLESS OF THEIR ACADEMIC BACKGROUND.
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> *Every person has the basic right of self-determination and the
right to
>make their own personal choices in the process of their healing. This
>decision is the most personal decision a person can make. We as
citizens
>are ultimately responsible for our well-being.
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> *Every person has the constitutional right of access to any healing
or
>health care practitioner, treatment , or information source that they
>desire. They have this right regardless whether the treatment they seek
is
>societally acceptable, well known, "scientifically proven" or generally
>recognized and regardless of the practitioner's education, training and
>experience.
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Regulations
>Problems:
>1.) Unlicensed practitioners can be charged with practicing medicine
without
>a license.
> **Health freedom legislation is needed in each state so that
>practitioners no longer have to live in fear. This is essential so that
all
>practitioners of alternative therapies remain available to the citizens
in
>order that their options are complete.
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>2.) Licensed practitioners can be sanctioned for practicing outside
>their "standard of care" which is not something that is even written
down.
> **Medical, dental and other state health boards should be made
>accountable to the citizens of their states and eliminate the undue
>influence of politics in the appointment of these board members.
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>3.) Now that alternative health has statistically shown to be popular
by
>the citizens, efforts are being made to regulate it and set academic
>standards attending to the false assumption that the citizens need to
be
>protected.

>The citizens are not asking for protection. They are asking for freedom to

>access who they want to in their health care decisions.

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>Solutions:

>Change can be accomplished by being certain that it is no longer illegal

>for natural health practitioners to practice. Any new laws should allow for

>the greatest amount of innovation and ensure that there is a legal

>environment established for the consumer to access the health care modality

>and practitioner of their choice regardless of their academic background.

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> *Natural Health therapies have been used since the beginning of time.

>They are extremely safe, non toxic and non-invasive. In fact, most aspects

>of natural health have existed in some form since, if not before, the

>advent of man. Animals certainly ate specific plants to ameliorate certain

>conditions. A lot of ideas man has learned have come from observing animals.

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> * The biggest obstacle to the access of natural therapies has been >legislation that has been passed in medical statutes throughout the country

>in the 20th Century. These statutes have overly broad definitions of the

>practice of medicine prohibiting "the unlicensed practice of medicine"

>This made it illegal for most people to practice the natural healing arts

>unless you were a licensed physician.

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>The medical statute in almost every state contains an overly broad

>definition of the practice of medicine. They are mostly similar to the

>statute in Minnesota , Statute 147 Subdivision 3(3) which states that >anyone who

>"offers or undertakes to prevent or to diagnose, correct, or treat in any

>manner or by any means, methods, devices, or

>instrumentalities, any disease, illness, pain, wound, fracture, infirmity,

>deformity, or defect of any person;"

>is practicing medicine and must be licensed to do so.

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> *Before these monopolistic laws were passed in America, many people >assisted others in their health by using herbs, foods, homeopathy, water

>therapies, and many, many other healing modalities. However, as medical

>licensing statutes evolved, it eventually became a criminal

>offense-the"unlicensed practice of medicine" -to help people get well and

>to even prevent disease, unless one was medically licensed. As a result,

>what we today call "complementary and alternative " forms of health care

>almost entirely disappeared from America early in the 20th Century.

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> *These laws were passed with the false assumption that licensing protects

>people from quacks.

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> *In our research, we found that licensing has not proven to protect the public. In fact, licensure has historically been sought by a small group of

>individuals to secure an economic position in the marketplace by setting up

>a system of exclusivity with monopolistic practices.

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> *Government regulation such as licensing and registration sets up a false

>assumption that certain academic criteria are required for assisting someone with age old wisdoms of health care. In a well meaning attempt to

>support the growth of natural therapies, we may create a nightmare tangle

>of regulations and requirements that end up destroying the spirit of natural health care.

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> *Any government regulation should be to protect citizens rights to individual choice and autonomy and to protect them from harm.

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> **The government should never use its police power to shut down practitioners where true harm is not an issue. The use of or the practice of natural therapies is not in and of itself harmful. The public

>is only protected when it has the freedom to make their own choices and not

>forced to participate in expensive, toxic, or surgical methods when other

>options are available.

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> **State and federal governments must be vigilant during health care

>reform to preserve the balance between government regulation and an individual's right of self determination and right of choice.

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> EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

>Problem:

>Government mandated educational standards for the broad domain of the healing arts can be very misleading to the public and unrealistic. It can

>subsequently limit consumer access to practitioners that do not abide by

>government mandates or do not fit the academic requirements set out.

>Arbitrary numbers of classroom hours at selected types of educational institutions with the receipt of conventional types of academic degrees is

>set as a standard. Many forms of natural healing cannot be confined to traditional learning environments or classroom or textbook training--and

>indeed they need not. Practitioner effectiveness may depend on inherent giftedness in the healing art. Skills may be acquired by mentoring with an

>individual, self-study, or other unconventional methods. Attempts by the

>government to quantify effective preparation needed for a particular healing art may restrict the pool of practitioners and may only serve to

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>tested or even taught in an academic setting.
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> **Governments should provide a legal environment in which all
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>education and training as long as they practice within reasonable
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>guidelines and provide consumers with an informed environment. This
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>ensure maximum consumer options.
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> **No restrictions should be put on the dissemination of new ideas
and
>information if there is informed consent.
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> *** A free and uncensored society is essential to the preservation
of
>wisdom and knowledge of ancient healing arts.

RESEARCH

>Problem:
>Double blind scientific method studies do not generally apply to
natural
>therapies. Each person is recognized as different. There is no money in
not
>being able to patent nature, therefore, grants are not usually given
for
>this research.

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>Solution:
>Creative research needs to be entertained. Consumers tell us that they
do
>not need double blind studies to inform them of their choices.
Consumers
>cannot wait for research. Today, we have an enlightened public that is
aware
>that medical research has failed them. They are simply observing,
>reasoning, and finding out what they want to know on their own.
Research
>for natural therapies could use some government funding,
however, because
>private industry will not set aside money for something they cannot get
a
>big fiscal return on through patent. An herb cannot be patented. It was
>made by God.

CONSUMER ACCESS/REIMBURSEMENT

>Problem:
>It is difficult for citizens to pay for standard medical insurance and
then
>have to pay out of pocket for their alternative therapies. Citizens are
>forced into toxic and surgical procedures because that is what their
>insurance will pay and they were not given any other options. In
addition,
>citizens often turn to alternative therapies when standard medicine
does
>not offer them the help that they need. Many people even choose solely
to

>go to alternative therapies while paying big insurance premiums that they
>will only use in catastrophic circumstances. Their premiums are going
>higher and higher and their needs are being met less and less. The citizens
>are not happy with managed care.
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>Solutions:
> As citizens in Minnesota, we think we have opened the door to access of
>complementary and alternative healing practices and interventions by
>educating the public that there was a need to effect change. The result in
>Minnesota was that the Minnesota Natural Health Legal Reform Project
>passed innovative first of its kind legislation that was signed into law on
>May 11,2000 to free access to all of natural health in the state of
>Minnesota. See Minnesota Statute 146A.
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>*The reimbursement discussion can only take place after it is made legal to
>practice complementary and alternative therapies.
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>There is a great deal of evidence that the practice of natural therapies
>through health promotion as well as disease intervention is so much less
>costly and more cost effective.

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>All complementary and alternative practices by all practitioners should be
>reimbursable through federal programs and other health care coverage
>systems. As consumers, we want to make the choice of what works for us.
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>****We believe creative and new ways at looking at reimbursement other than
>a false reading of educational standards needs to be looked at as to which
>practitioner's work is covered by insurance.
>Old ways are for the old system. New ways are for a new paradigm of healing.

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> CREATIVE IDEAS FROM CITIZENS

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>Just some of the ideas from citizens thinking outside the box for a new
>paradigm of health care include:
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>1.)a voucher system that could be bankable and transferable to those in
>need if you did not use them.
>2.)medical savings plans
>3.) a tax deduction
>4.) insurance coverage for more wellness education using alternatives
so
>that major medical insurance only needed to cover catastrophic problems
as
>people learn to practice a higher state of wellness.*Education of the
>consumer puts them on a more equal basis with their professional and
>empowers them.
>5.)community health plans in which the citizens of a community decide
what
>is offered in their health plan. Start up funds would be needed via

grant
 >money for example.
 >6.)No therapy should be denied coverage just because research has not been
 >done on it.
 >7.)Approval of therapies could be given on outcome based data. This can
 >include case studies submitted by a practitioner or a professional group.
 >Ideally data comparing the natural therapy to the standard medical therapy
 >will include both costs and outcomes.
 >8.) Two choices of coverage, standard medical care or alternative health
 >care options, could be made available to all individuals. The citizen would
 >select the type of primary care provider that has produced the best
 >outcomes for themselves and that they have the most faith in. These two
 >plans would cover subacute and chronic conditions . A major medical plan
 >would be offered to cover trauma, premature delivery and birth defects.
 >This
 >plan would continue to be the primary coverage but expand it to include
 >another additional option.

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 >9.) A citizen should have the option of switching to another form of
 >coverage if they are not being helped to their satisfaction.
 >10.)All health practitioners should be able to offer all of their
 >skills
 >and knowledge that they possess. Anything less is robbing the consumer.
 >Citizens should be able to decide which practitioners they go to
 >regardless
 >of their academic background. Reimbursement companies could look at
 >outcomes to decide coverage.
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 >DELIVERY OF RELIABLE AND USEFUL INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC
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 >Problem:
 >1.)Natural health information has been suppressed for a long time in
 >the
 >media and the standard medical community by consistently denigrating
 >alternative health care as a whole.
 >2.)The FDA is too involved with the biopharmaceutical industry to be an
 >objective watchdog to information disseminated to the public.
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 >Solutions:
 >**We believe, as consumers, that reliable information is everywhere
 >and
 >could be improved by allowing more freedom of speech by everyone
 >involved
 >with the dissemination of natural therapy information.
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 >** We would like to see the media present more fair articles on natural
 >therapies without denouncing them.
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 > **We would like to see the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act
 >strengthened to provide more truthful information on products.
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 >** We would like to see the revolving door of the FDA and the
 >pharmaceutical industry employees locked.
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 >**We also would like to see that the standard medical community be more

>versed in alternative therapies so that they can present us with
>options
>other than standard medical practices.
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> ***We would like to see lists of alternative practitioners in
>their
>offices as healthcare options for citizens to go to as well as
>alternative
>therapy information provided in their offices via unbiased articles,
>etc.
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> *** We would like doctors to be self informed about the complementary
>and
>alternative therapies that we are going to so that they no longer fear
>the
>unknown.
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> We would like to leave you with this thought:
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>"A free society has a great stake in protecting the unorthodox. It is
>through unorthodoxy that society grows. If unproven avenues are
>blocked,
>what remains is already known and both progress and freedom are lost.
>Today's orthodoxy was yesterday's heresy and yesterday's orthodoxy is
>today's superstition. In today's 'quackery' lies the emergence of
>future
>enlightenment. In the ultimate, the suppression of the freedom of one
>individual creative mind will kill more people than all the government
>programs will ever save." --The National Health Federation Bulletin,
>April
>1980, author unknown
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>The Minnesota Natural Health Coalition Recommends that Minnesota
>Statute
>146A , the Minnesota Complementary and Alternative Health Care Freedom
>of
>Access Act of 2000 be referred to for concepts congruent with the
>above
>statements.
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Dear Dr. Kreitzer:

Thank you for your invaluable help in coordinating the planning committee for the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy's Minneapolis Town Hall meeting on March 16, 2001. We were overwhelmed with the warm and enthusiastic welcome that we received, and delighted with the diversity and quality of presentations, particularly those coordinated by the planning committee.

We also would like to thank you for your assistance to Mr. and Mrs. George in planning such a warm and generous reception on March 15 to welcome the Commission to Minneapolis. The event was a wonderful introduction to the community and greatly enjoyed by the Commissioners and staff.

The enthusiastic interest of the Minnesota community in the work of the Commission was clearly evident by the great success of both the reception and Town Hall meeting. Indeed, we were gratified by the attendance of nearly one hundred people at the meeting. Many of the panels provided very powerful insight and have offered the Commissioners and staff critical recommendations for policy and action. The quality and intensity of the proceedings were truly reflective of the efforts of the planning committee, the community, and of your own dedication to the success of the event.

Please convey our deep appreciation and acknowledgment to the planning committee and your staff.

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Mr. and Mrs. William George

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. George:

Thank you for graciously hosting the reception for the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy at your home in Minneapolis on March 15. The reception was a wonderful welcoming gesture in the best tradition of Minnesota-style hospitality.

We were sorry to miss Bill at the reception and the meeting, but were delighted that Penny was able to observe the proceedings. The enthusiastic interest of the Minnesota community in the work of the Commission was clearly evident by the great success of both the reception and Town Hall meeting. Indeed, we were gratified by the attendance of nearly one hundred people at the meeting.

Thank you again for your support and kindness. Please feel free to contact us if we can be of any help to you or if you have any questions regarding the Commission.

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Ms. Margaret Brinkman
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Dear Ms. Brinkman:

Thank you for your assistance with the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy's Minneapolis Town Hall meeting on March 16, 2001. We were delighted that nearly 100 participants attended the event, of which 75 presented.

Your assistance to our staff on-site was the key to how smoothly the meeting was run. The Cowles Auditorium clearly was the best site for this event and the support we received from you, Marty Bussman and his staff was invaluable. We are very appreciative of your willingness to work with us long-distance and to support our staff on-site so efficiently.

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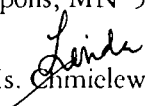
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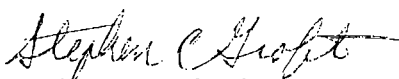
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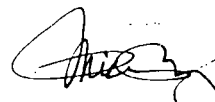
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