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IMPORTANT NOTICE

May 19, 2008

Dear CCC Member,

As you are now aware, the CCC and the CCA have been fined a Civil Penalty stemming from a decision handed down from both the FTC and the ATTORNEY GENERAL of Connecticut. The terms of the judgment and the fines assessed have been outlined in a certified mail document which you have received by now.

You are a valued member of the CCC. We were all involved in the ASHN/BCBS situation; therefore we are all equally responsible for the outstanding fines and legal costs incurred. The Board of Directors has worked hard with Legal Counsel to avoid being fined individually and has negotiated the lowest possible fine with the Attorney General's Office.

Although this sounds like bad news, there is a lot to be thankful for; negotiating a 'Civil Penalty' of \$20,000 with the ATTORNEY GENERAL (\$7000 paid) with a balance of \$13,000 due by December 2008 and \$102,000 for CCC legal fees (of which \$42,000 has already been paid) with a balance of \$73,000 due immediately. The pressing issue is paying the fine and legal fees to avoid defaulting on the agreement.

Should there be a default in the agreement; the ATTORNEY GENERAL could impose additional penalties of up to \$250,000. At all costs this must be avoided. Other organizations and their members are also reaching out to raise money needed to pay fines and attorney fees, which are more than two and half times that of the CCC.

Over the past 15 months the CCC has successfully raised \$42,000 from the generous donations of local chiropractors. An agreement was reached with the legal defense team, McCarter and English and the Attorney General to pay the balance owed over the next 3 months; *\$73,000 still needs to be raised* to pay the balance of the legal fees and the 'Civil Penalty'.

This is not a REQUEST for a Donation but I ask that you send \$850 as your share to help satisfy this debt. Many of you have already given generously to the legal defense fund and your generosity and understanding is appreciated; it enabled counsel to begin defending the cause. Please do not lose sight of the fact that even though we were engaged in free and open discussions we were found to be in violation of the Sherman Anti Trust laws; but your patients still continue to have fair access to your chiropractic care.

In addition all CCC Members in the state must attend a mandatory Antitrust Training and Education Program.

Next month a, statewide meeting will be held on two separate evenings at 8pm for Anti-Trust-Training; you are REQUIRED to attend only one of these meetings. These meetings may be in person or a Teleconference; we are awaiting approval from the Attorney General; you will be notified of the location or teleconference. In addition there will be discussions regarding current important issues facing Chiropractic in our State.

Your voice, ideas and passion for chiropractic is requested *but your attendance is mandatory . . . mandated by the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Connecticut . . . ATTENDANCE WILL BE TAKEN.*

Please do the following ASAP:

1. Send your portion of the fine . . . minimum \$850
2. Payments may be made either by Credit Card – Faxed to 866-833-9394 or
3. Mail Check to: Connecticut Chiropractic Council PO Box 185561 Hamden, CT 06518

If you require additional time to make a payment, please call our Executive Director, Tom Paterna at 800-353-3332 for arrangements.

Thank you for your understanding and your commitment to Chiropractic.

Yours in Health,

Dr. David Steinberg
President

Mandatory Meeting Date to be announced

Dr. _____ Address _____ City _____, CT ZIP _____ Phone _____
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