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**VA Western New York Healthcare System
Launches Chiropractic Residency Program**

VA Western New York Healthcare System has been awarded initial accreditation for a new chiropractic residency program. The chiropractic residency program is one of five VA programs awarded accreditation by the Council on Chiropractic Education, of Scottsdale, AZ. Following a recent status review meeting, the Council conducted deliberations and reached a consensus decision to award initial accreditation to the residency program and “extends its congratulations to the chiropractic residency program on this achievement.”

The chiropractic care residency program is designed to train chiropractic residents as clinician scientists blending patient care, research and academics within an integrated health care environment to optimally prepare them to supervise VA chiropractic clinics. “VA provides a robust clinical experience for trainees across a spectrum of disciplines to meet the health care needs of the nation, stated “Andrew S. Dunn, DC, MEd, MS, Chiropractor/Residency Program Director, VA Western New York Healthcare System. “The chiropractic residency program adds to that mission by optimally preparing residents to successfully work within VA chiropractic clinics or other integrated clinical settings.”

The first two residents were both hired by VA facilities at the completion of their residencies; Dr. Derek Golley by the White River Junction VA Medical Center and Dr. Casey Okamoto by the Minneapolis VA Medical Center. Dr. Grace L. Stringfellow added, “We are proud to be a leader in training opportunities and integrating chiropractic care to enhance Veterans lives.”

For reference, programmatic accreditation is awarded by The Council on Chiropractic Education, 8049 North 85th Way, Scottsdale, AZ, 85258-4321, (480) 443-8877, www.cce-usa.org.

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