

# MEMORANDUM

То:	Una St. Clair
From:	Sharon M. Weinstein
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Subject:	Medical Education Programs

Thank you for the opportunity to share information related to the continuing medical education programs offered by the Integrative Health Forum on behalf of medical professionals worldwide.

My name is Sharon M. Weinstein, and I am a registered nurse, health educator and founder of the Integrative Health Forum (<u>www.ihfglobal.com</u>) and director of the Energy Medicine continuing medical education series. Allow me to share some information related to the Forum and the implications of having subjects such as EMF sensitivity lectured in the academic environment.

#### Integrative health forum

The Integrative Health Forum evolved in 2003 as the result of the work of 13 charter members with a vision of creating the evidence-base for wellness practice. The group has grown significantly as a result of weekly calls, breakfast seminars, and more. In 2008, the European Health Forum was created to address the needs of wellness specialists in the European community. Together, as IHFglobal, we can extend our message to the masses – worldwide. Our goal is to become a recognized international leader for wellness and health, and the resource for health-related issues.

In 2008, the Energy Medicine continuing medical education came to life in Chicago. Under the direction of chief education officer, Sharon Weinstein, the template for a program that would attract licensed healthcare professionals as well as lay professions was created. Applications were made, and alliances created with the American Academy of Family Practice, the American Holistic Nurses Association, the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork, the National Certification Commission on Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM) and CEBroker representing all professional boards for the State of Florida to ensure approval for the educational model and content.

This is the only program of its kind in which the concepts of cellular energy and the function of the human body are integrated with the growing focus on the dangers of WiFi and cellular technology. Faculty was chosen to represent the content based upon their knowledge and expertise. Our faculty includes:

### Dr. Peter Goldberg

Peter Goldberg is a board certified Doctor of Acupuncture and practitioner of Energy Medicine specializing in stress and pain management. In practice since 1989 in western Massachusetts, he is a member of the American Academy of Pain Management. Dr. Goldberg has used magnets and other Energy Medicine modalities in his practice for the past 20 years and has lectured extensively on the principles of stress management, aging, and the integration of Eastern and Western health care. He holds two masters degrees in Community Health Administration and Acupuncture Physical Medicine, and is a member of the American Academy of Pain Management.

# Dr. Ronald Lynch

Ronald Lynch, M.D., M.S. graduated from the University of Maryland School of Medicine. As a Board Certified Family Doctor, he is affiliated with Florida Hospital where he served a three year Family Practice Residency. He has served the Central Florida Community in various capacities over the past twenty years. As a student and contributing scientist of natural medicine, which includes acupuncture, homeopathy, magnetic therapy, and other complementary therapies, he encourages and supports natural medicine alternatives and evidence based medicine. He firmly believes the future of medicine will involve integrative approaches including acupuncture, magnetic therapy, homeopathy, light therapy and nutritional medicine. His practice offers numerous services for preventive health screenings. He has established an office in Lake Mary designed to provide new options for those seeking intelligent, compassionate, natural and conventional care.

# Anthony Bove

Anthony Bove is President of Nu-Magnetics in Washington State. He holds 38 patents in the field of magnetics and healing for the human body. He has a science and business background coupled with a huge heart for making a difference. He has touched the lives of millions with his products because he chose to take a stand to change the consciousness of society by truly helping others by getting to the root cause of how we can stay healthy!

# **Curtis Bennett**

Curtis Bennett is renowned for his unparalleled knowledge in the field of thermal imaging. He has spent his career applying this know-how to the areas of the energy medicine, building materials science, the environment and others. Curtis' background is in architecture and building engineering, with a separate certification in electrical energy provision. Mr. Bennett tailored his own education with a specific focus on infrared systems. Mr. Bennett is also committed to contributing to the overall improvement of the earth's ecosphere by using his know-how to extend mankind's vision beyond the visible. In doing so, his thermal imaging has demonstrated that by making prudent choices of building materials, their role in the global warming trend can be minimized. Curtis Bennett has a professional background in building design, engineering, construction and separate national credentials in electrical energy provision. Curtis is the only person in the world that completed an education in engineering and electron flow specifically to compliment his background with a technology that allows us to see temperature beyond our visible spectrum.

#### Sharon M. Weinstein

Sharon Weinstein, MS, RN, CRNI, FACW, FAAN is President, Core Consulting Group, LLC. specializing in workforcerelated issues impacting healthcare delivery, globalization, nurse-physician collaboration, patient/staff safety, humor in the workplace, stress management, and total wellness. Sharon has over thirty years of progressive clinical, education, administrative and health policy experience in healthcare management and clinical practice. She is also President of SMW Group LLC.

And, she has reinvented herself multiple times throughout those thirty years. From clinical practice to education, from home care to international arenas, and from practice management to wellness, Sharon has been on the cutting edge of changes within the healthcare community and has led the pack each step of the way. She is the founder of the Integrative Health Forum and created the Energy Medicine interdisciplinary continuing medical education series. Sharon earned a Master's Degree in health management and gerontology, a certificate in health administration, a bachelor's degree in nursing and behavioral science and is a graduate of the Kellogg Executive Management Program and a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing. She is a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Public Health, Mental Health and Administrative Nursing and in the Institute for Healthcare Innovation at the University of Illinois College of Nursing. She is a frequent presenter at domestic and international meetings and symposia.

#### **Energy Medicine**

The Energy Medicine programs clearly address the issues of WiFi and exposure to radiofrequencies; this is a key component of medical education that has, until now, been in the closet and from which medical professionals have been shielded. Lack of knowledge creates ignorance and precludes our licensed healthcare professionals from practicing consistent with the adage, "Do no harm." By being unaware, they are increasing exposure. By having WiFi technology in their own offices, hospitals and practice areas, they are contributing to the problem.

We must increase awareness by educating those who care for others, and we are so pleased to be on the forefront of the educational spectrum by being the first in the world to offer education at this level to the clinical and lay communities. Increasing awareness on the part of the public creates demands on us to do better. Increasing awareness on the part of the clinician creates a mandate for change, and that change cannot come soon enough.

These programs are not commercial; they have been approved for continuing medical education by boards across North America and they offer credentials to the clinicians involved in the sessions. We want to present this information in Vancouver to the medical community, to governments, to school boards, and to the general public. This is our mantra...and we are determined to educate the masses to protect our children.

Please feel free to contact me for additional information and/or to schedule a program in your area.

Sincerely,

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