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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Certified Naturopathic Practitioner,

Welcome to the inaugural issue of ANCB's newsletter, the ANCB Bulletin. We hope this will be one way we can better serve our members, the community of Board Certified Naturopathic Practitioners across the country.

After only two months on the job here at ANCB, I feel as if I've gotten to know many of you over the phone: the response to our initial mailing was overwhelming. Many of you had questions about ANCB's history and our new trademarked certifications: CERTIFIED TRADITIONAL NATUROPATH — CTN and CERTIFIED IN NUTRITIONAL WELLNESS — CNW. Some of you had questions about ANCB's new renewal policy or our requirements for continuing education. I hope that I've been able to answer your questions to your satisfaction.

Coming from my background in non-profit administration, I've already learned a great deal about naturopathy and its varied modalities. I've truly been impressed with the level of ethics and professionalism, and the commitment to quality client care that you all embody. I am very proud to be supporting your work by promoting the value of ANCB's trademarked certifications and the commitment to excellence that they represent.

With this issue of the ANCB Bulletin, we'll summarize some of the organizational changes you've heard about and invite your further participation. For those of you that I have yet to meet, I hope you can join me at the ANMA convention this summer in Las Vegas, July 29 – 31st.

If I can be of assistance to you in any way, please don't hesitate to contact our office at 406-543-6154 or via e-mail at info@ancb.net.

In good health,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. Fauci".

ANCB OFFERS NEW CNW CERTIFICATION

ANCB is now pleased to offer naturopathic practitioners two options for certification: Certified Traditional Naturopath — CTN, and Certified in Nutritional Wellness — CNW. The CNW Certification was recently developed to recognize the growing importance of nutritional wellness in naturopathic practice, and to offer practitioners a means to demonstrate their expertise in this modality.

Obtaining the CNW Designation requires sitting for a national certification exam: the preferred credential for taking the exam is a masters or higher level degree in nutrition or a related field. The exam fee is discounted for those currently board certified as a Certified Traditional Naturopath.

CTN CERTIFICATION

Traditional Naturopathy encompasses a broad range of practices: from Acupuncture to Chiropractic, Homeopathy to Iridology, Bodywork to Detoxification, and many more. ANCB's Certified Traditional Naturopath designation — or CTN, represents a commitment to excellence, professionalism and ethics. ANCB is committed to enhancing public understanding of, and confidence in, this field.

Obtaining the CTN Designation requires sitting for a national certification exam: the preferred credential for taking the exam is an ND, PhD, or other doctoral degree.

EXAM & RENEWAL INFO

Exams are given four times each year. Upcoming exams include April 9th (Philadelphia, PA) and July 30th (Las Vegas, NV). You can download an application from our web site at www.ancb.net or contact our office.

Both CTN and CNW Certifications must be renewed every two years (renewal does not require retaking the exam).

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION RENEWAL

Continuing Education (CE) is vital to staying current in naturopathic modalities and maintaining an effective practice. ANCB requires Board Certified professionals to complete 20 hours of continuing education every two years and submit documentation of this education. Other requirements for renewing your Certification include a \$100 renewal fee, also submitted every two years.

ANCB approves various forms of learning experiences to satisfy the CE requirement. In addition, the professional is allowed to submit other learning experiences for consideration; these will be evaluated on an individual basis. Approved experiences that ANCB will accept include:

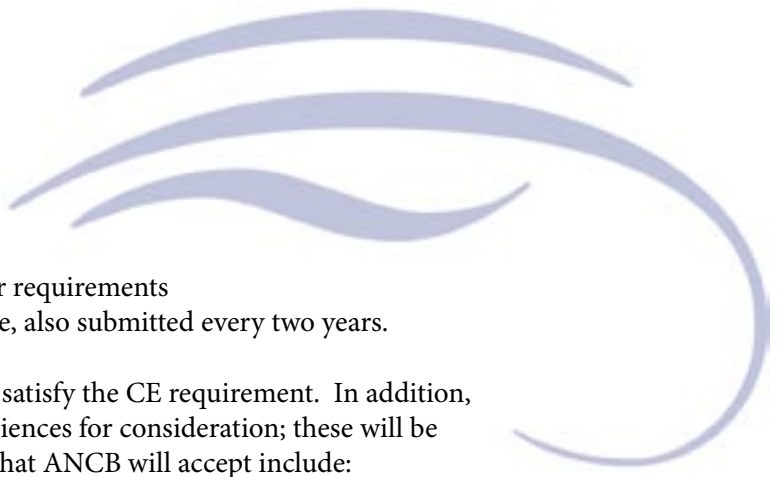
- Conference or Convention attendance
- Course completion
- Weekend seminars or training programs

ANCB will accept copies of transcripts, Certificates of Completion, Certificates of Attendance or Continuing Education Units forms as verification. An excellent venue for completing ANCB's continuing education requirements is attending the American Naturopathic Medical Association (ANMA) Annual Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. For information, visit www.anma.com.

JOIN OUR E-MAILING LIST

ANCB is compiling an *electronic mailing list* to keep you better informed. In addition, we've updated our web site: check it out at www.ancb.net.

Please join our new electronic mailing list by sending your updated e-mail address to: info@ancb.net.



WHO'S WHO: ANCB'S ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

Up until 2003, Naturopathic Certifications were issued by the American Naturopathic Medical Certification and Accreditation Board (ANMCAB). This group dissolved in 2003, giving rise to two separate organizations:

- 1) ANMAB — the American Naturopathic Medical Accreditation Board (*visit them at www.anmab.org*), and
- 2) ANCB — the American Naturopathic Certification Board.

The American Naturopathic Medical Association (ANMA) is a professional organization that invites membership. *Visit their web site at www.anma.com.*

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