



West Hartford Group, Inc.

WEST HARTFORD GROUP MEMBERSHIP DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mission Statement

The West Hartford Group is a think tank dedicated to the advancement of the social, cultural and professional authority of the chiropractic profession, with the chiropractor serving as a distinct, integrated, mainstream, patient-centered, portal-of-entry, non-surgical spine specialist.

Objectives

- Objective 1: To provide for the profession a viable model of integrative practice
- Objective 2: Place WHG members within leadership of the machinery of the profession to promote WHG's mission
- Objective 3: Create a public, intraprofessional and interprofessional image of chiropractic as a profession devoted to scholarship, research and the patient-centered, evidence-based, practice paradigm.
- Objective 4: Upgrade chiropractic education (undergraduate & graduate) and scholarship consistent with WHG's mission. Make patient first professionalism and evidence-based outcomes-directed practice paramount in chiropractic.

Values

- Chiropractors are healthcare providers who provide clinical management of non-surgical spine conditions.
- Chiropractic clinical management includes diagnosis and treatment with an emphasis on prevention, wellness and holism.
- Measurable treatment effectiveness must be demonstrated
- A Bio-psycho-social (BPS) approach is essential for the management of pain
- Treatment must focus on empowering the patient toward management of his/her own healthcare
- Treatment goals must be functional and focused on return to normal Activities of Daily Living (ADL)
- Treatment must be based upon the best evidence available.

Membership

Membership in West Hartford is an honor and a privilege. Membership is exclusive. Membership is not automatic. It is only attained by nomination and election by the West Hartford membership. Membership is based on shared core values, a desire to contribute meaningfully to health care issues, research, scholarship, academic achievement and a commitment to patient-centered, patient-safe care, evidence-based practice parameters and best practices

West Hartford does not discriminate in the nomination or selection of members based upon race, faith, religion, ethnicity, gender or age.

Members of West Hartford Group shall be governed by and dedicated to principles of:

- Intellectual Honesty and Truth
- Integrity – Members of the West Hartford Group endeavor to embrace a moral point of view that urges them to be conceptually clear, logically consistent, apprised of relevant empirical evidence, and careful about acknowledging as well as weighing relevant moral considerations. Persons of integrity impose these restrictions on themselves since they are concerned, not simply with taking any moral position, but with pursuing a commitment to do what is best.
- Education and Study
- Research
- Scholarship
- Practice

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(Please print or type)

Candidates nominated for membership in the West Hartford Group, Inc., must submit a current curriculum vitae and complete the following disclosure statement in order to be considered for membership in West Hartford. Please provide detailed statements attesting to any of the following:

I, _____, hereby affirm that I am not a director or officer or equivalent, in any other corporation, firm, association or other entity which is involved in any contract or other transaction with the West Hartford Group, Inc., except as described below (If none, write "none." Use reverse side of statement if more space is needed.):

Relationships with other Business Entities Entity

I, _____, hereby affirm that I do not have a substantial financial interest in any other corporation, firm, association or other entity which is involved in any contract or other transaction with the West Hartford Group, Inc., except as described below (If none, write "none." Use reverse side of statement if more space is needed.):

Financial Relationships (Brief description) Entity

I, _____, hereby affirm that I am not a director, officer, employee, consultant, owner, or in any other way substantially involved with any insurers, third party payers or other utilization review intermediary, firms or other provider organizations, except as described below (If none, write "none." Use reverse side of statement if more space is needed.):

Date: _____

Signature

Print Name

This disclosure statement is required per **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**, Section G. Invitation to Nominees of the West Hartford Group, Inc. Constitution & Bylaws, ratified by the WHG Board of Directors, December 2006.

West Hartford Group, Inc., 1/2008