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## California Naturopathic Doctors Association September 2012 Update

### Upcoming CNDA Events

#### Merging Medicine XIII

Naturopathic Roots:  
Practical Applications of  
Nature Cure in Primary  
Practice

October 13-14, 2012  
Estancia Hotel in La  
Jolla, CA

[Learn More Here](#)

[Register Here](#)

#### Pharmacy Webinar 15

Vaccines: Risks,  
Benefits, & Alternative  
Schedules

November 13, 2012  
6:30 - 9:30 PDT

Presented by  
Dr. Candace Aasan, ND

[Register Here](#)



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Dear California Naturopathic Community,

Autumn is upon us and the momentum gained over the summer is propelling the CNDA into a busy new season. From celebrating the Governor's signature on SB1446 and Bastyr's grand opening in CA, to gearing up for our Merging Medicine conference only a couple weeks away, and continuing improvements at our home office, we have some great news to report!

Here's the update...

### Legislative Update

#### SB 1446

If you haven't already heard, our IV Clarification Bill (SB1446)\* was signed by Governor Brown on Friday, September 14th. We are thoroughly pleased with the outcome of the efforts of everyone involved in creating, advocating, and educating our representatives on the necessity of this bill. It was by all standards a successful road, with unanimous votes from three of the four hearings (and still, a resounding 74:4 vote on our final hearing). None of this would have been achieved without your support, phone calls, and letters. Thank you all!

Now that SB1446 has been signed into law it must be codified (integrated into CA codes) in order to go into effect. This will occur on January 1st, 2013. In the meantime, the Naturopathic Medicine Committee is very busy putting together a fact sheet about the implications of this bill and compiling a list of approved providers of IV Therapy training courses. Keep an eye on our [SB1446 CNDA webpage](#) for more information as it becomes available!

# today

## Self-Study

Material Available

[Click here for the latest presentations](#)

### CNDA Links



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There are several IV training courses offered throughout the state. [Click here](#) to see a list of some of the courses offered in CA (*please note, the NMC has yet to approve any providers*).

*\* Passage of SB1446 has clarified that nutritional IM and IV therapy is within the independent practice scope of California licensed Naturopathic Doctors as per the intent of our original practice act SB907 (Burton). [You can read the entire Bill here.](#)*

#### AB 2109

The vaccine exemption bill (AB2109), which was amended to include Naturopathic Doctors as clinicians authorized to sign an immunization waiver if parents choose to avoid vaccinations, passed it's final hearing in the Assembly at the end of August. Now that it has successfully passed both houses of the legislature, it is awaiting Governor Brown's signature by the end of this month. We'll keep you posted as soon as we hear whether it has been signed or vetoed by the governor. [You can read the entire Bill here.](#)

#### SB 690

As we reported in our last update, the health care coverage discrimination bill (SB690) did not make it out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee in August. This bill attempted to mandate that all currently licensable health care providers must be covered or reimbursed by insurance. We hope to see this bill reintroduced in the near future and will be watching all legislation that pertains to this topic. [You can read the current text of the Bill here.](#)

## → October Conference: Merging Medicine 13

Our October Conference is only a couple of weeks away and our home office is busy with final preparations. It will be taking place at the beautiful Estancia Hotel and Resort in La Jolla and the theme this year is "*Naturopathic Roots: Practical Applications of Nature Cure in Primary Practice.*"

If you haven't registered yet, we invite you to come join the California ND community as we enjoy presentations from some of the nation's leading experts in Nature Cure. Saturday night will also include a wine and cheese reception hosted by the nearby Bastyr University *California*. We are very excited for a weekend with you all on the ocean bluffs!

The conference is accredited for 10.5 CEs (*AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*)\* and 10.5 CE hours for CA LAc from the CA Acupuncture Board. [These credits apply to in-person attendees and our webinar attendees.](#)

Visit us at [www.calnd.org/mm13](http://www.calnd.org/mm13) for complete lecture descriptions, speaker biographies, hotel information and registration.

[There is still time for the discounted price... Click here to register!](#)



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## ➔ The Run is Done. Thank you Isaiah and Jeremiah Godby!

The Godby brothers, Jeremiah and Isaiah, ran a collective 1760 miles in the name of Naturopathic Medicine this summer and are now home recovering from their 30+ miles-a-day of running (pew!). This year's Run movement saw much more involvement from California NDs and truly served to educate Californians about their natural health care options.

We at the CNDA want to extend a sincere thank you to the Godby family for this unique and enormous undertaking. We also want to recognize the numerous NDs who stepped up and volunteered to host the boys, give them a meal, create a community event or donate to the cause. After running more than a marathon a day (even in triple digit weather!!), the Godby's are proving to be an unstoppable and valuable asset in the movement for Naturopathic Medicine.

[Click here to see the Godby brothers' interview with KXTV Sacramento just days after finishing their run!](#)



## ➔ Member User Guide

If you are an active CNDA Member, check out this [Member User Guide](#) to take advantage of all of your member benefits. As a member you are exclusively listed on our well-trafficked website, so be sure [to login to your member account](#) and keep your profile updated and eye-catching with a photo and a personal bio.

If you are not a member, but would like more information on joining, email Kasey, our Membership Coordinator, at [coordinator@calnd.org](mailto:coordinator@calnd.org). Or you can check out [our website](#) and apply there.

## → New Additions to the Community

As the number of licensed NDs in California rapidly grows, the CNDA is working hard on improving member benefits and keeping all of our Docs informed about pertinent issues.

We would like to give a sincere welcome to the several new Regular, Associate, and Student members that have recently joined our effort by becoming members. We thoroughly appreciate our loyal members, and the proactive vision they have when choosing to support the CNDA's work.

A big welcome to:

New Member	City
Nicholas Bitz, ND	Los Angeles, CA
Kristy Vermeulen, ND	San Francisco, CA
Monique Chhun- Lum, ND	Elk Grove, CA
Setareh Tais, ND	Fresno, CA
Karis Tressel, ND	Bakersfield, CA
Wendy Clare	San Diego, CA
Serina Aubrecht	San Diego, CA
Natasha Cridler	San Diego, CA
Vyacheslav Pekler	San Diego, CA
Petra Dorfsman	San Diego, CA
Terra Winston	San Diego, CA
Jessica Kliger	San Diego, CA
Thien Nguyen	San Diego, CA
Anjali Barve	San Diego, CA
Atylana Singh	San Diego, CA
Elijah McCarthy	San Diego, CA
Christina Yap	San Diego, CA

## → Community Call for Support: Dr. Charlotte Massey Relief Fund

On August 25th, Magpie Medicine, the Montana clinic of Charlottel Massey, ND, was completely destroyed by a fire. Fortunately, no one was physically hurt by the fire; however, the recovery from the event is likely to be long and challenging on many levels. The cause of the fire is unknown and is currently being investigated as arson. The fire and the destruction it caused has been both emotionally and financially devastating to Dr. Massey and her staff. As many of you know, Dr. Massey relocated from California to Montana a few years ago. She previously practiced in Northern California and was our CNDA legislative chair helping to lead the way for our medicine in the state. For those of you who would like to reach out to Dr. Massey with your thoughts and prayers or contribute to her fire relief fund during this challenging time her contact information and a link to her relief fund are listed below:

Charlotte's Clinic Website  
[www.magpiemedicine.com](http://www.magpiemedicine.com)

<http://gogetfunding.com/project/fire-relief->

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## → Bastyr San Diego

Bastyr University *California* held its official grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony on September 14th.

We are very excited to welcome a California school of naturopathic medicine, as it marks a significant step forward for our profession in the state. We look forward to working synergistically with Bastyr to continue educating the California populace and moving Naturopathic Medicine forward in CA! [Bastyr University California Website](#)

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## → Seeking Wine Connections

The CNDA is seeking a few connections to wineries in California that would be interested donating wine to support our tradition of wine and hors d'oeuvres receptions at our biannual CNDA conferences. We usually have about 5-6 cases donated for our conferences, and if anyone has any relations in the wine world out here, we would really appreciate you sending us their information or your facilitating a connection.

Thank you!

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## → Senator Negrete McLeod is running for Congress

Senator Negrete McLeod is running for the Congress for the Western San Bernadino county (35th District). A long-time supporter of Naturopathic Medicine, she has authored our IV Clarification Bill (SB1446) and previously authored the Bill that secured our right to hire Naturopathic Assistants and perform CLIA waived testing in office (SB1246). If you are interested in learning more about Senator Negrete McLeod's campaign for Congressional office, please visit [her website](#).

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## → Scope of Practice Reminder of the Month: RN vs. NA

We have many newly practicing docs in California and have received feedback that it would be helpful to remind you of the "Dos and Don'ts" of California ND Practice Scope. We will now feature a scope highlight every month. A complete overview of ND Scope of Practice can be found on [this page of our website](#).

- In 2011 the Naturopathic Medicine Committee saw a significant spike in complaints against NDs who were giving orders to a Registered Nurse (RN) as opposed to a Naturopathic Assistant (NA). **Naturopathic Doctors are legally prohibited from hiring or giving orders to any assistants (including RNs, LVNs, NPs, and PAs) other than a Naturopathic Assistant.**
- This law still applies if your NA has training beyond their scope (i.e. if your NA is also a RN) as defined by SB1246. As a Naturopathic Doctor, you can only give an order to a NA *while that NA is practicing within his/her scope.*

[You can learn more about the scope and training of Naturopathic Assistants here.](#)

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## Fundraising Help and Donations

2012 has been an incredibly active year so far for the CNDA. We are very pleased with our great strides in professional advocacy, legislative work (SB1446), and public education on behalf of the California Naturopathic Doctor Community as well as the profession at large. All of this work requires a tremendous amount of financial support. If you have a background in fundraising experience or are simply interested in helping us raise money to support Naturopathic Medicine in California please contact the home office at [coordinator@calnd.org](mailto:coordinator@calnd.org).

We now have a new [donate page](#) on the CNDA Website to help raise awareness for the opportunity to provide financial support to the CNDA and keep this great work going. Please consider adding a link from your practice website to this page to encourage your patients and community to support the growth of your profession. We encourage everyone from within the California ND Community to also contribute above and beyond membership dues. Every dollar makes an impact on what we can accomplish together.

We are so very grateful to each and every one of you who have donated this year. To see the full list of your peers and community that have supported Naturopathic Medicine in California this year please visit our [2012 donor appreciation page](#).

Join the list of financial supporters with a financial contribution today! We thank you!

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## Committee Participation

For all of you out there who are passionate about moving our profession forward and would like to be more involved in working alongside your community to make this happen, join a committee of interest!

The CNDA committees that currently need help: (meetings are 1 hour per month by phone)

- Membership - deals with enlisting as many doctors and students as possible to keep our numbers strong, increase member benefits, and work on practice development aids for members. To join the membership committee contact the chair Dr. Lilian Au at [lja0510@yahoo.com](mailto:lja0510@yahoo.com).
- Legislative - scope expansion work, tracking bills that may affect NDs, supporting the Naturopathic Medicine Committee in Sacramento. To join, contact Dr. Minna Yoon at [minnayoon@gmail.com](mailto:minnayoon@gmail.com).
- Professional Development - planning the fabulous Merging Medicine Conferences as well as the Pharmacy and Business Basics Webinars. To join, contact Dr. Emily Dashiell at [emilydashiellnd@gmail.com](mailto:emilydashiellnd@gmail.com).

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