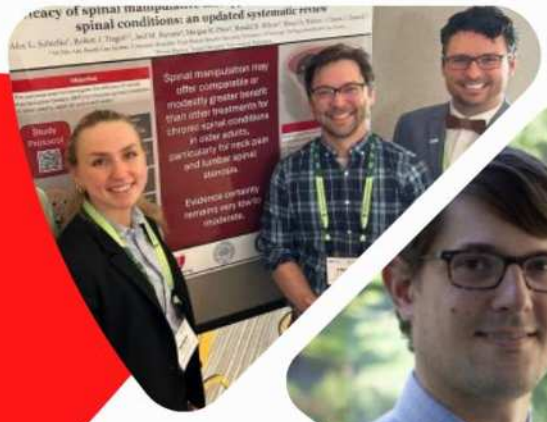
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2026 ANNUAL REPORT









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President's Report



This has been a year of steady, disciplined progress for Clinical Compass. Our Scientific Commission continues to produce and defend high-quality evidence, our finances remain healthy and under budget, our website is being modernized, and our partnerships keep expanding the profession's access to evidence-based resources.

Research That Moves the Profession
Under the leadership of Dr. Clint Daniels, the Scientific Commission produced multiple peer-reviewed publications and letters to the editor, while its members contributed more than 70 additional publications to the broader literature. Their work spans patient safety, shoulder pain, older adults, cost efficacy, and identifying research priorities for the chiropractic profession. The Commission also responded quickly when the field needed it, supplying evidence to the Wisconsin Chiropractic Association after insurers began denying coverage for certain therapies as "experimental," and answering published articles that mischaracterize chiropractic care. Full details appear in our annual research report.

Strong Governance
The board met monthly with full attendance from the Executive Committee and District Representatives, and with regular reports from each of our four pillars: Research, Sustainability, Awareness, and Impact. Our financial position reflects careful stewardship and generous support from corporate partners, state associations, and the President's Club.

A Modern Digital Home
Led by Sarah Tirimacco and Administrator Suzi Anderson, our website is being rebuilt with easier navigation, retired legacy content, and new service providers that give us more control at lower cost. The new site will anchor our renewed outreach.

Growing Partnerships
Our Evidence Center is now supported by the majority of active state chiropractic associations across all five ChiroCongress districts, with new or renewed partnerships this year in Pennsylvania, Maine, Oregon, and Wyoming. We formalized a collaboration with the Texas Chiropractic Association and advanced a faculty training opportunity with Parker University, to be led by Dr. Wilcox. Nationally, we brought 15 registered attendees and a staffed exhibit booth to the ChiroCongress Convention, joined a strategy meeting with Chiropractic Future, and presented at The Summit. Dr. Morgan Young also presented to the Washington State Chiropractic Association as part of our expanding state-level outreach.

Thank you to every volunteer, partner, and donor who made this year possible. Clinical Compass is fiscally and organizationally strong and ready to serve the profession. Please enjoy this Annual Report, and reach out anytime with questions, suggestions, or requests.

With gratitude,

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President, Clinical Compass

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Biographies of Key Personnel



David Paris, DC, MS,
Executive Committee President

Dr. Paris is Chiropractic Section Chief at VA Northern California Healthcare System. He currently serves as Clinical Compass Vice Chair. He is a 2001 Palmer West College of Chiropractic graduate and obtained his MS in Neuroscience from Parker University. Previously he served as the ChiroCongress District 5 Delegate and on the VA Chiropractic Field Committee and Professional Standards Board. He currently serves as Chair of the California Board of Chiropractic Examiners, American Chiropractic Associations House of Delegates (Northern California Delegate), Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE) Academy of Site Team Visitors and the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB) Board of Directors (District IV Director).



Ronald Wilcox, DC,
Executive Committee Vice President

Dr. Wilcox has practiced chiropractic since 1990 and has spent more than three decades helping to shape the profession in Washington State.

A member of both the Washington State Chiropractic Association (WSCA) and the American Chiropractic Association (ACA), he has served for over fourteen years as the District 10 representative on the WSCA Board of Directors. In that time, he helped create two of the association's annual conventions.

His influence reaches into statewide health policy. He contributed to the Washington Health Alliance's work on health plan policies for low back pain. He has also served as chair or subcommittee chair on two Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) committees that set occupational health policies and best practices. For more than sixteen years, he has moderated and presented at L&I educational programs across the state, helping providers put those best practices into use and demystifying the Work Comp process.

Dr. Wilcox currently serves as the Vice President for Clinical Compass, where he helps advance evidence-based standards of chiropractic care nationwide.



Clinton Daniels, DC, MS,
Scientific Commission Chair

Dr. Daniels is Chiropractic Director and Residency Director at VA Puget Sound Health Care System. He received a BS from Purdue University and his DC and MS degrees from Logan University. In 2014 Dr. Daniels was selected to the inaugural cohort of VA chiropractic residents and in 2015 joined the VA Puget Sound medical staff. He is Chair of the Clinical Compass Scientific Commission, Secretary for the Chiropractic Health Care section of the American Public Health Association, and the Research Coordinator for the VA Chiropractic Field Advisory Committee. He has serves on the editorial board of BMC Complementary Medicine and Therapies and the Journal of Canadian Chiropractic Association. He has authored greater than 50 publications on topics ranging from chiropractic integration into veteran and military facilities, postsurgical spine pain, suicide prevention, and chiropractic best practices.



Zachary Cupler, DC, MS,
Scientific Commission Board Representative

Dr. Cupler is a Chief of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation at the Butler VA Health Care System, having joined staff in 2015. He received a BS from Juniata College, DC and MS degrees from Northeast College of Health Sciences, and an MS from the University of Pittsburgh. He leads the interdisciplinary Pain Management Team and provides chiropractic and acupuncture services for acute and chronic pain conditions. Dr. Cupler's research interest spans evaluation and management of acute and chronic pain conditions. His investigations include systematic and scoping reviews as well as retrospective observational cohorts. He has over 30 peer-reviewed publications, and he has served as a subject matter expert for national and multinational clinical practice guideline development for spine condition management. He was appointed as a Clinical Compass Scientific Commission Representative in 2024.



Katherine Pohlman, DC, MS, PhD,
Scientific Commission Board Representative

Dr. Pohlman is currently the Vice Chair of the World Federation of Chiropractic (WFC) – Research Committee, Chair of the WFC's Global Patient Safety Committee and a Senior Fellow of the Chiropractic Academy of Research and Leadership (CARL) program. Her honors include the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) Researcher of the Year in 2020, the World Congress of Women Chiropractors' Leadership Award (2023), and the NCMIC Foundation McAndrew Award (2024). Dr. Pohlman earned her Doctor of Chiropractic (D.C.) degree and M.S. in Clinical Research from Palmer College of Chiropractic and her Ph.D. in Pediatrics from the University of Alberta. Here research expertise includes patient safety, clinical outcomes, and effectiveness and safety of chiropractic care across special populations, including children, adolescents, pregnant and postpartum individuals, and overall women's health.



Scott Mooring, DC, CCSP, ICSC, FICC,
Executive Committee Immediate Past President

Dr. Mooring has been in private practice since graduating from Northwestern Health Sciences University in 2002. He is currently the Chair of the Clinical Compass Executive Board and has served on the Board of Director since 2015. He is a past President of the Minnesota Chiropractic Association, serving on the Board of Directors since 2011, has been part of the ACA House of Delegates since 2015, and currently serves as the Minnesota State Affiliate Representative. He is a clinical educator and has been teaching elective courses at Northwestern Health Sciences University since 2007. Since 2014, he has served as a Team Chiropractor with the University of Minnesota Athletic Medicine Department. He works international sporting events through the Federation of International Sports Chiropractor. His research interests include sport injuries, extremity conditions, and clinical practice guidelines.



Suzi Anderson,
Clinical Compass Administrator

Suzi graduated from Oregon State University, with a BS in Biology. After 10 years of sales and sales management, Suzi traded in her briefcase for a diaper bag and raised two incredible kids. She embarked on her journey with nonprofit organizations in 2011. In 2020, she joined ChiroCongress, where she brought expertise in administrative support and oversaw the planning and execution of their annual convention. In addition, Suzi manages Bullfrog Laser, alongside her husband, Rob. Bullfrog Laser is a business specializing in custom laser engraving and sales of promotional products. A lifelong Oregonian, Suzi is passionate about travel, golf, and finding unique locations to enjoy a game of cribbage with Rob. Her multifaceted career and diverse interests underscore her dedication to professional excellence and personal enrichment.

Who is Clinical Compass?

Background:

Clinical Compass is a 501c3 nonprofit, apolitical, evidence-synthesis think tank. We conduct a variety of systematic literature reviews, develop best practice recommendations, maintain a resource Evidence Center that highlights research relevant to chiropractic stakeholders, and provide rapid response letters to the editor to combat inappropriate and misplaced criticisms against the chiropractic profession and interventions used by chiropractors.

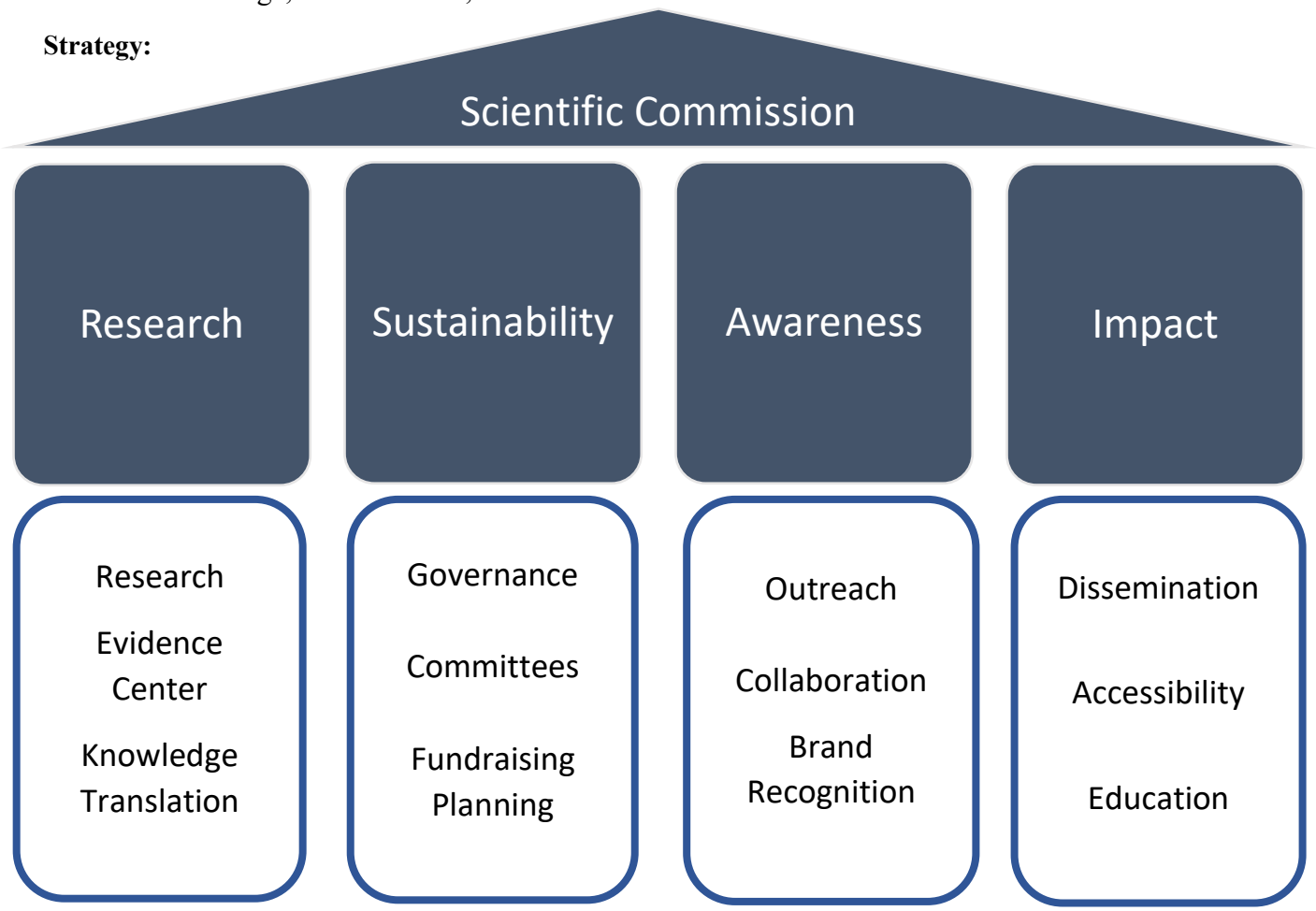
Originally known as Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters (CCGPP), Clinical Compass was formed in 1995 through efforts of ChiroCongress (formerly Congress of Chiropractic State Associations) as a pathway to equip the profession with evidence to engage in discussions with payers, legislators, and other stakeholders on matters relevant to chiropractic. To date, literature generated by Clinical Compass has primarily been utilized by national and state chiropractic associations for practicing chiropractors. Clinical Compass is an established leader in the chiropractic scientific community and is dedicated to supporting the profession through adherence and reliance on evidence and interprofessional collaboration. Some of our long-standing partners include the NCMIC Foundation Inc., ChiroCongress, the American Chiropractic Association, the American Public Health Association, Chiropractic Future, the Association of Chiropractic Colleges, and numerous state associations.

Mission: To improve patient outcomes by advancing evidence-based care.

Vision: Transforming healthcare through knowledge translation.

Values: Knowledge, Collaboration, Justice

Strategy:



Clinical Compass Publications (last five years)



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Research Projects in Progress

Completed projects in submission

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Projects underway

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Projects in planning

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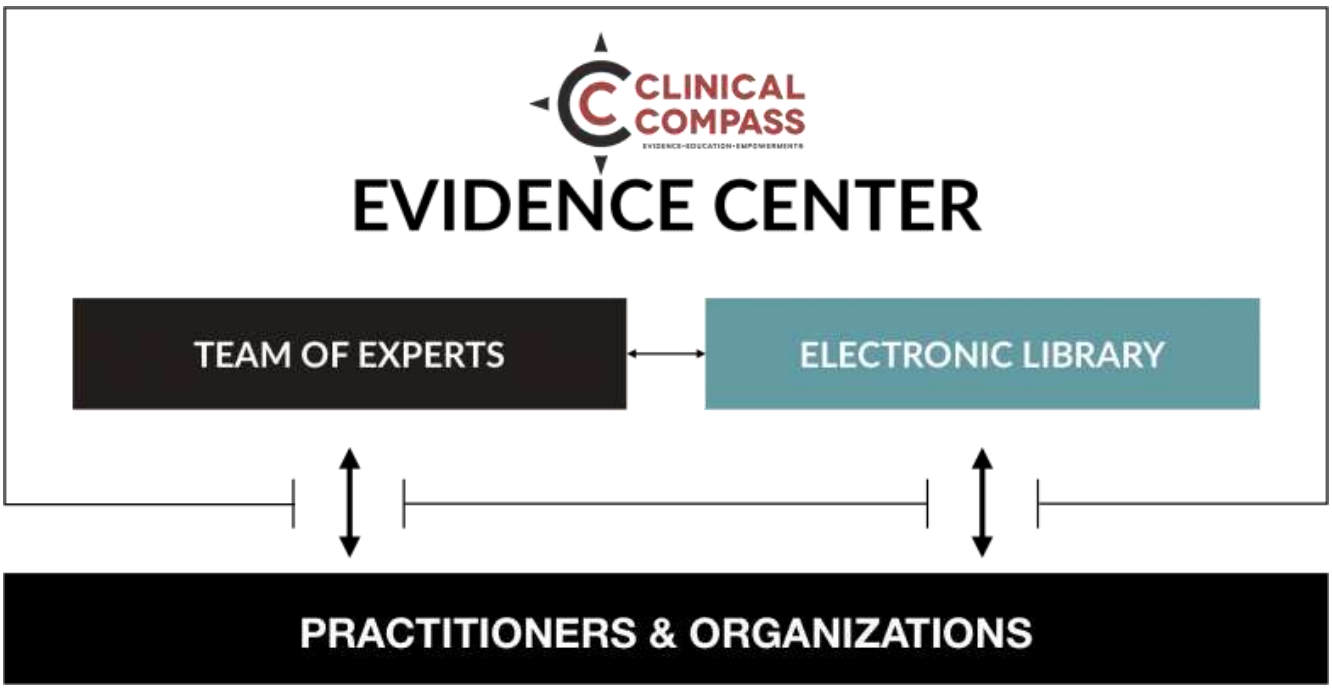
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Evidence Center



The Florida Chiropractic Association (FCA) and National Board of Chiropractic Examiners are significant financial contributors to Clinical Compass. In a multi-year financial partnership, FCA has generously sponsored our Evidence Center, and NBCE is supporting awareness and distribution of the Evidence Center to chiropractic programs. The Evidence Center is updated twice a year with the latest research to equip individual chiropractic members and state association members. In the Evidence Center, up-to-date research is available in 17 different health care topics relevant to chiropractic clinicians:

1. Low Back Pain
2. Neck Pain
3. Lower Extremity
4. Upper Extremity
5. Safety and Adverse Events
6. Non-Musculoskeletal Conditions
7. Integrative Care
8. Wellness, Prevention, and Health Promotion
9. Headaches
10. Pregnancy and Labor
11. Pediatrics
12. Geriatrics
13. Soft Tissue Care
14. Diagnostic Imaging
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- Colorado Chiropractic Association
- Connecticut Chiropractic Association
- Florida Chiropractic Association
- Georgia Chiropractic Association
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- Kansas Chiropractic Association
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- Minnesota Chiropractic Association
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- Pennsylvania Chiropractic Association
- SecureCare of Nebraska
- South Dakota Chiropractors Association
- Tennessee Chiropractic Association
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Thank you!

Awareness

Collaboration

Clinical Compass is a proud contributor to the Chiropractic Educators Research Forum (CERF), the Chiropractic Academy of Research Leadership (CARL), Chiropractic Futures, and other efforts to provide scholarship funding for trainees engaged in research and academic pursuits.

We have forged strong relations hips with many professional chiropractic stakeholder groups including:

- American Black Chiropractic Association
- American Chiropractic Association
- American Public Health Association – Chiropractic Health Care section
- Canadian Chiropractic Guideline Initiative
- ChiroCongress
- Chiropractic Future
- Cleveland University – Kansas City
- Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards
- Forward Thinking Chiropractic Alliance
- Motion Palpation Institute
- National Association of Chiropractic Attorneys
- National Board of Chiropractic Examiners
- Parker University
- Process of Integrating Evidence Conference
- World Federation of Chiropractic
- Women in Chiropractic
- State Associations

Social Media and Outreach

In 2026, Clinical Compass continued to grow its media footprint with focused efforts on two platforms: LinkedIn and Facebook. With this messaging, we target chiropractic clinicians, students, academicians, and researchers. Since the 2025 annual report, our LinkedIn followers have grown by **22.5%** to 1,154 and our Facebook followers have grown by **16%** to 1,1294, and a newly launched Instagram page has 259 followers.



Dedication to Service

Clinical Compass is focused on serving our state association partners through providing continuing education content and special advisory or advocacy projects as well as literature reviews. If you or your state association requires advisory or advocacy support please contact admin@clinicalcompass.org.

Here are a few recent occasions where we have provided expertise and support to state associations and stakeholders:

- Clinical Compass Scientific Commission chair testified to the Oregon Health Evidence Review Commission. The testimony was instrumental in Oregon chiropractors being granted coverage of chiropractic services to manage headache cases.
- Formalized collaboration with the Texas Chiropractic Association and advanced faculty training with Parker University.
- Provided expert assistance to *Virginia Chiropractic Association* as it advocated for Aetna Insurance to provider chiropractic coverage for the pediatric population
- Directed the *Wisconsin Chiropractic Association* to key literature to support coverage for therapies and other chiropractic services.

Compass Speakers Bureau

Clinical Compass has developed multiple presentations focused on best practices and are excited to partner with states to share the evidence with their memberships. Please reach out to arrange, admin@clinicalcompass.org.

State association presentations in the recent past year included Arizona, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, New Mexico, Ohio, South Dakota, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia







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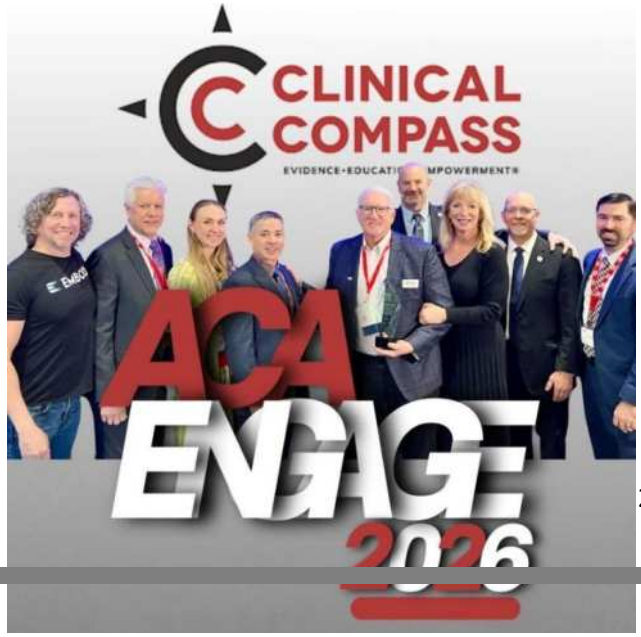
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Ronald Farabaugh, DC

2025 ACA Chiropractor of the Year



Patrick Battaglia, DC

2025 ACA Academician of the Year



Victoria Bensel, DC, MS, MPH
2025 George P. and Jerome F. McAndrews Memorial Research Fund Award





Alec Schielke, DC
Palmer Alumni Awards Top 10 Under 10

Clinton Daniels, DC, MS
Fellow of the American College of Chiropractors





Ronald Farabaugh, DC
South Dakata Chiropractic Association Walter Wolf Award

Voices from the Profession

"Chiropractic has been in a battle for survival, recognition, acceptance and parity for 130 years. We have gone through difficult times when legislation was necessary for licensure and stability. The profession has had its share of litigation to uncover activity designed to contain and eliminate the profession, as well as to exclude equal reimbursement. Today, in the era of 2025 and beyond, it is credible research which provides the foundation for building a "clinical compass" without which we lose our direction.

The profession has been attaining the "cultural authority" that for decades we aspired to achieve. Without a research culture, we fall short as a profession, and only through the continued support of research, will the profession ever achieve parity. Clinical Compass has been a driving force in our research efforts, and the NCMIC Research Foundation is supportive of their goals."



Dr. Louis Sportelli
President -- NCMIC Foundation

Dr. Reed Phillips
Executive Director -- NCMIC Foundation

"With Clinical Compass, we're investing in a future where healthcare decisions are powered by evidence. Our support ensures that clinicians have the tools they need to provide the best possible care, every time."

Dr. Norman Ouzts
CEO – National Board of Chiropractic Examiners

"Research is the currency of any health profession but it only works when there is consistent application into clinical practice in an evidence-based, people-centered environment. Clinical Compass supports chiropractors in navigating the evolving landscape of scientific evidence, translating it into accessible, practical guidance and applying it with confidence to optimize patient care."

Professor Richard Brown
Former Secretary General – World Federation of Chiropractic

"Clinical research walks a path of hope—to tirelessly seek answers so that others may find a better tomorrow. Dedication today writes the success stories of the future. Clinical Compass is to be supported by all in the profession"

Dr. Leo Bronston
Former President – American Chiropractic Association

Í have been reference the work of Clinical Compass for at least the past decade, and am honored to have participated in the Delphi process that helped develop some of the guidelines. When I lecture on chiropractic, I always reference Clinical Compass papers or at least their conclusions. The quality gives chiropractors a great benchmark for those interested in evidence based practice."

Dr. Rob Leach
Chair – American Public Health Association

"As a leader, educator, and practitioner, Clinical Compass is one of my favorite resources. In a rapidly evolving healthcare landscape, staying current with the latest research and best practices is essential for practitioners. One of the most valuable aspects of Clinical Compass is the empowerment of chiropractors with the tools, education, and support needed to provide the highest standard of care and the enhancement of patient outcomes."

Dr. Kris Petrocco-Napuli
President – Activator Inc.

"Clinical Compass serves a critical role in advancing the chiropractic profession. In a healthcare environment that increasingly values conservative approaches, their commitment to science and research fosters broader acceptance and utilization of chiropractic care. Their work supports me in private practice, strengthens my teaching at MPI, and benefits our profession as a whole. I am grateful for their dedication and contributions."

Dr. Mark King
President – Motion Palpation Institute

"Through the postgraduate coursework I teach, my lifelong mission has been to read, distill, and share meaningful research that both improves patient outcomes and elevates chiropractic.

Clinical Compass serves as a steward of the chiropractic evidence base by curating, clarifying, and catalyzing the research that guides our profession. By translating complex data into clear, evidence-informed recommendations, Clinical Compass equips doctors of chiropractic to provide the safest and most effective care.

Their work not only advances patient outcomes, but also elevates professional standards and ensures that chiropractic remains firmly anchored in science."

Dr. James Demetrious
Founder and CEO – PostGradDC

"Clinical Compass played an integral role in demonstrating the safety and efficacy of chiropractic care through rigorously vetted scientific evidence and expert testimony. Their team's responsiveness and dedication to clarity strengthened informed *decision-making and ultimately led to service in the best interest of the public."*

Dr. Lisa Kouzes
Vice President – Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards

"Clinical Compass provides up-to-date information on the clinical responsibilities of chiropractors. Their newest paper, "Best Practices for Chiropractic Management of Adult Patients with Mechanical Low Back Pain," contains evidence-based recommendations designed to assist you in practice.

It covers every aspect of patient care, from history-taking to proven interventions. I continually reference Clinical Compass recommendations within the ChiroUp software and during my continuing education presentations."

Dr. Brandon Steele
Founder – ChiroUp

"ChiroUp is exceptionally grateful for the Clinical Compass resources. Our team looks forward to new releases and updates since the information is always accurate and practical. Having access to this invaluable tool streamlines our work. And knowing the quality and dedication of the Clinical Compass team allows us to publish and practice with greater confidence.

Your team is essential in helping us empower DCs with knowledge and confidence, for improved clinical outcomes. The chiropractic profession is fortunate to have the benefits of learning from a trusted source of best practice protocols. You are moving the needle on our shared mission to advance our profession."

Dr. Tim Bertlesman
Founder – ChiroUp

"As an expert on compliance and documentation I rely heavily on the contributions made by Clinical Compass. When I need defensible, reliable support for my presentations, or when I work with a consulting client or an attorney, I know I can find the guidelines and resources I need.
They are my "brain trust" and I don't know what the chiropractic profession would do without the evidence-based material that Clinical Compass provides."

Dr. Evan Gwilliam
Clinical Director - PayDC



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