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By Carl Hangee-Bauer, ND, LAc

Greetings and Happy New Year/ New Decade! After the trials, tribulations and struggles of the first decade of the new millenium, I think we are all looking forward to 2010 and the coming years with optimism that better things lie ahead.

This is my first message to you as incoming President of the AANP. As I write this, we have already hit the ground running in 2010 as we prepare for the first Board meeting of the year taking place January 16-17th in San Francisco.

Read the rest of the piece at AANP's blog, "[Physicians Who Listen.](#)"

## → [News From the Office: April 30 - May 1 Advanced Training for State Leadership](#)

By Karen Howard

The challenges we face at the state level reflect the challenges of human nature itself. In order to fully achieve our objectives, we must fully engage. Here at the AANP we are all about providing you the tools to engage your membership, enhance your leadership and inspire your success. On April 30 and May 1 we will hold advanced training for leaders across the county who share a commitment to the advancement of naturopathic medicine. [Read more.](#)

## → [Alliance Update: Expanding Our Advocacy Tools](#)

By Michelle Clark, ND, Alliance Chair

The 2010 legislative season is moving into high gear - already more than 50 bills containing references to naturopathy, naturopathic or naturopathic medicine have been introduced. AANP is preparing to face challenges and pursue opportunities in concert with the leadership of our State Associations. Over the past few years it has become increasingly evident that the issues facing our states are move alike than dislike, even when it comes to licensure vs. increased scope of practice. [Read more.](#)

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We have all been deeply distressed by the news and images of the destruction in Haiti resulting from the earthquake on January 12th. Within our own family, Dr. Sabine Thomas is still trying to establish communication with many of her relatives who live in Haiti. NDI is coordinating with Dr. Sabine Thomas, Bastyr University, National College of Natural Medicine and many other volunteers in the naturopathic community to coordinate a response for the Haitian people. We are now organizing a Naturopathic Haiti Relief Committee comprised of experts from the naturopathic community to develop a response plan and serve as the main contact point for North American based relief efforts in the naturopathic community. Due to logistical issues, we cannot estimate when a team will go, but will keep you updated with the most current information we have as we receive it. If you would like to participate or volunteer in any way, email us at [haiti@ndimed.org](mailto:haiti@ndimed.org).

[Donate now to the NDI Haiti Relief Effort.](#)

## ➤ National University of Health Sciences Awards First Diplomas in Naturopathic Medicine Since 1952

In historic commencement ceremonies on December 17th, National University of Health Sciences awarded three graduates the institution's first doctor of naturopathic medicine degree (ND) since 1952.

The landmark commencement day honored Steven Moore, DC (valedictorian); Carlos Quezada, DC (salutatorian); and Lisa Leonard as recipients of the doctor of naturopathic medicine degree.

National's current ND program opened its doors for the first class of students in the Fall of 2006. The addition of a naturopathic program was a major part of the university's commitment to integrative medicine: providing a collegial environment for students and physicians from differing medical specialties to work together for the advancement of patient care.

National's Assistant Dean for Naturopathic Medicine, Dr. Fraser Smith, who has chaired the program from its inception, said: "We have been waiting for this day for a long time, and it is extremely satisfying to see these fine students from National be the first NDs to graduate in 58 years."

## ➤ Unique residency program accepting student applications until 1/22/2010

Integrative Therapeutics (ITI(r)) and the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians (AANP) are again seeking candidates to join this unique naturopathic residency program for naturopathic graduates. **Students need to apply quickly, Deadline is January 22, 2010.**

The STAIR residency provides invaluable, real-world experience for new naturopathic graduates. As residents, they will participate in the whole spectrum of clinic life, from patient care to the daily financial workings of the practice creating a well-rounded experience in practice management.

ITI is proud to support this hands-on knowledge that helps shape the future of naturopathic medicine. [Learn more.](#)

### ➤ **Order the Clinicians' and Educators' Desk Reference On the Licensed Complementary and Alternative Healthcare Professions**

This guide to the 5 licensed CAM professions, written by vetted experts, is a desk reference for clinicians and a textbook and resource for educators and students. Also included is information on emerging fields of traditional world medicines, holistic nursing and holistic and integrative medicine.

"This information will be very useful to patients, healthcare professionals, educators, students and those responsible for future clinical research and healthcare policy," says David Eisenberg, MD, of Harvard Medical School.

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### ➤ **Stay In the Know: AANP News Clipping Service**

The AANP currently provide a daily media clipping service to our members. Receive a digest of the day's big stories on naturopathic medicine, health care reform, and alternative medicine.

To sign up for the clipping service, email [jenna.huntsberger@naturopathic.org](mailto:jenna.huntsberger@naturopathic.org).

### ➤ **NCNM Dean Named President of Council on Naturopathic Medical Education**

Dr. Rita Bettenburg, dean of the School of Naturopathic Medicine at National College of Natural Medicine (NCNM), has been appointed president of the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education (CNME). The CNME is the programmatic accreditor for degree programs in naturopathic medicine and is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Bettenburg continues in her duties at NCNM, and will not participate in CNME accreditation processes concerning NCNM during her tenure as president.

The CNME is the accrediting agency responsible for setting and overseeing programmatic standards for four-year residency degree programs leading to the Doctor of Naturopathic Medicine degree, which prepare students for professional licensure to practice naturopathic medicine within the U.S. and Canada. [Read more.](#)

### ➤ **Members in the Spotlight - Daniel Seitz**

Daniel Seitz, Executive Director of the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education-the U.S. Department of Education-recognized accrediting agency for doctoral programs in naturopathic medicine-has worked for 20 years in the field of complementary and alternative medicine education, accreditation and regulation. He recently received an EdD (doctorate in education) from UMass-Boston in Higher Education Administration and Leadership. His dissertation for the doctorate is entitled: Integrating Contemplative and Student-Centered Education: a Synergistic Approach to Deep Learning. [Read More.](#)

### → Corporate Member Spotlight: Vital Choice

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## Events

Emergency Procedures for the Naturopathic Clinic  
Doing IV's, Prolo, or Trigger Point injections? Is your crash cart ready to roll? Do you know what to do if your patient passes out? This

course will run through multiple scenarios of emergency situations that may effect patients in a naturopathic clinic who are undergoing injection or IV therapy. The course will present the most common complications and solutions to prevent and treat those complications. This is a hands on course, and class size is limited to 15. [Visit www.oanp.org/events.php](http://www.oanp.org/events.php) for more information.

**Integrative Healthcare Symposium.** The Integrative Healthcare Symposium, held at the Hilton New York, NYC, February 25-27, 2010 is the gathering place for practitioners and professionals seeking the latest research and clinical pearls to improve patient care and expand their practice. AANP members receive an additional 15% discount when you use priority code 100130 during registration. Register today at [www.ihsymposium.com](http://www.ihsymposium.com)!

### → Opportunities - Visit AANP's New Job Bank

The AANP has a new online job bank, where you can post your help wanted, residency opportunities, and practice for sale ads. Monthly postings are free for members, and \$100/month for non-members. If you have questions about the job bank, email [jenna.huntsberger@naturopathic.org](mailto:jenna.huntsberger@naturopathic.org).

[Visit the job bank now.](#)

This Month in the Job Bank:

- [Naturopathic Oncology Consultant Position at Cancer Treatment Centers of America \(CTCA\) at Midwestern Regional Medical Center, Zion, IL.](#)
- [Practice For Sale in Lakewood WA](#)

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