

Dear ----- College :

I would like to express my strong and sincere desire that the ----- College expand the educational program and teach a full course in medicine. We need to be trained in a broad scope manner similar to the osteopaths. May I point out that they are in all facets of health care, they do not have to worry about job opportunities, income and lack of respect as a health care provider. They are in networks and have no caps on care.

I would also ask "Where are the jobs for DC'S?" Not in hospitals, military, home health care, nursing homes. We have to create our own jobs. The profession has for a long time stated that we are separate and distinct. What this has led up to is being left out of health care planning and finances. The colleges need to face the current reality and get busy in advancing our education. Is this a healing art or a religion? The horse and buggy was the transportation of the day in 1895. Now we have the space shuttle! Are the DC'S going to be forever stuck in the 1895 mind set? Graduates of our college will not refer students nor give financial support in the future, and students are asked to drop out and give no financial support to any college until equal education is provided.

This is not an option, it is a vital necessity! This is not a request, it is a demand! The federal government has stated that the number of medical schools and GP'S needs to be doubled right away. What a golden opportunity for the profession! It is time to take action, living on past accomplishments is not good enough for us. Lets get to work!

What will this result in? Lets take a look into the future: DC'S practicing with out a stigma, being in demand, job opportunities that are real and meaningful, no caps on claims, enrollments increasing at our colleges , no longer going out of practice, not living hand to mouth month by month , not having to be part of unethical practice management programs, being able to opt out of Medicare if one chooses, or if a Medicare provider, getting the same payment as DO'S for service. This is the only way forward to save DC'S and infusing new life into the profession.

Respectfully,