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## **The Council on Chiropractic Education Announces Changes in Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws**

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In March 2009 the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE) Board of Directors and representatives from Member programs voted and approved changes to the CCE Articles of Incorporation. In addition, the CCE Board of Directors approved revisions to the Bylaws facilitating changes in the governance structure. As a result of these changes, the CCE Board of Directors and Commission on Accreditation are joined into one body called the Council. The Council structure incorporates all members from the Board and Commission into one body that will address the Standards for Doctor of Chiropractic Programs, accreditation actions, and governance functions. This change helps align CCE with the organizational structure of other accrediting agencies, allows for the same body to approve and apply the Standards, provides broader representation and input into accrediting actions, and allows for improved use of financial resources.

In addition to allowing the creation of the Council, the Articles of Incorporation also provide verbiage that would allow for the CCE to pursue meaningful discussion, and possible action, in the area of international accreditation. While the option for CCE to enter the arena of international accreditation is now a possibility, further dialog is needed with key constituents before there will be movement into the accreditation of programs outside the U.S.

Newly elected members of the Council's Executive Committee include: Council Chair, David Wickes, D.C.; Council Development Committee Chair, Craig S. Little, D.C.; Council Finance Committee Chair, Lawrence M. Gerstein, D.C.; Site Team Academy Committee Chair, Joseph Pfeifer, D.C.; Bylaws, Standards and Policy Committee Chair, Charles E. Sawyer, D.C.; and Councilor At Large, Roger A. Pope, D.C. Non-voting members of the Executive Committee include: Past Board of Directors President, Sandra N. Mooney, CPA; and CCE President (previously named Executive Director), Lee Van Dusen, D.C.