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Announcement: The ATCMS 2014 Annual Conference

We are pleased to announce that ATCMS will hold our 2014 Annual Conference on Sunday, March 30, 2014, at the Sheraton LaGuardia East Hotel in Flushing, NY. We cordially invite all of our members as well as other TCM colleagues from the New York areas to participate in the event. There are two programs in this upcoming conference:

- (1) **TCM Seminar:** It is also our spring academic activity hosted on the same day from 10:30am to 5:00pm (the registration will be started at 9:30am), at Gallery Room on the 7th Floor. In this seminar, we have invited Dr. Xiaoli Fang to give speech on "The Clinical Application of Conventional Acupuncture and Zheng's Acupuncture-Moxibustion Skills", and Dr. Ling Zheng to introduce "The Revised CMS-1500 Form and ICD Codes". For the detailed seminar information, please read <<The Introduction of the Spring Seminar of 2014>> on this ATCMS Newsletter.
- (2) **Banquet:** The banquet will be hosted at the Phoenix Ballroom, from 6:00pm to 10:30pm, following the seminar, serving traditional Chinese cuisine provided by Sheraton LaGuardia East Hotel. The banquet ticket will be \$40/person, \$350/table (10 people). The discount rate (\$30/person, \$250/table) will be available for attendees who book the ticket by March 20, 2014.

Members are welcome to invite family and friends as guests. Due to the limited seating, please contact Dr. Sophia Liao (Tel. 917-605-5819, Email: sophxhl@yahoo.com) for reservation. Various performances will also accompany the banquet, to entertain our members and guests. We encourage our members and guests to join the performers. To those who would like to perform during the banquet, please contact Dr. Jie Shi at: 516-906-1120 for the arrangement.

We are looking forward to meeting you on March 30, 2014.

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ATCMS Announcement

Dear seminar participants,

Recently, our society has received several phone calls from NCCAOM, in which the NCCAOM would like to verify the truth of the copy of certificates that they received from the renewers. In order to make sure that all seminar participants renew their diploma smoothly with the certificates that our society distributes, we would like to emphasize our policies and suggestions as follows:

1. When you come to attend the seminar, please make sure that you print your name and phone number and sign your name on the registration form as required. Please give yourself enough time to register. We start the registration one hour before the seminar starts. We will distribute the certificates when the seminar is over.
2. Please keep your original certificate and receipt of the registration fee for at least 4 years. When necessary, you may be asked to present them as the proof of your attendance.
3. Please do not lend your certificate to anyone who may use it unlawfully. If anyone forges the certificate using yours as a template, you may be involved in the investigation.

We thank you for your cooperation.

American TCM Society (ATCMS)

Launch of the ATCMS New Board (ATCMS's Announcement)

American TCM Society (ATCMS) held a board meeting in Flushing, New York, on January 19, 2014. Based on the ATCMS By-Laws, the board has approved the nomination of Weiguo Zhang, Shaobai Wang, Helen Zhang, Zhentao Wu, Yujun Shao, Xiaoping Zhou, Zhongzhe Yuan, and Edward Mao as new board members. ATCMS currently has a total of 42 board members and they are Drs. Dazhi Chen, Lihua Chen, Jue Cheng, Corey DiStasio, Magnolia Goh, Yue Han, Nifei Hsieh, Emily Hu, Jing Jiang, Xiaoyan Jiang, Hui Li, Lance Li, Xueguo Li, Zhijun Li, Feng Liang, Sophia Liao, Hongwei Liu, Ming Liu, Edward Mao, Faith Mao, Miguel Maya, Peter Ng, Angel Ren, Yujun Shao, Jie Shi, Hong Su, Dongxing Sun, Kaiwing Wai, Hongxing Wang, Shaobai Wang, Wei Wei, Wanmei Woo, Dadong Wu, Zhentao Wu, Xiujuan Yang, Zhongzhe Yuan, Peijun Zeng, Helen Zhang, Weiguo Zhang, Guoping Zheng, Xin Zheng, and Xiaoping Zhou.

On the same day, the new ATCMS board had its first general meeting and voted Drs. Dazhi Chen, Guoping Zheng, Jie Shi, Kaiwing Wai, Sophia Liao, Ming Liu, Dongxing Sun, Emily Hu, Xin Zheng, Nifei Hsieh, and Hui Li as the new Standing Board members. The new standing board voted Dazhi Chen as the president, Guoping Zheng, Jie Shi, and Kaiwing Wai as the vice-president, Sophia Liao as the secretary-in-general, and Ming Liu and Dongxing Sun as the associate-secretary. Also, the new board elected Dr. Ling Zheng as the member of the Supervision Committee. He will serve for the ATCMS Supervision Committee with Drs. Guoguang Chen (Chair), Yongming Li, John Pai, and Jun Xu.

Dr. Ling Zheng, the former President, praised every colleague's efforts and supports during the past two years of his term. He summarized the accomplishments of the 3rd term of the ATCMS board, and hope that the new team will continue to serve the TCM community and run ATCMS based on the democratic principle and the ATCMS By-Laws.

At the end of the meeting, Dr. Dazhi Chen, the new President of ATCMS, declared that the new ATCMS board will try everyone's best to protect AOM professional rights and to provide more benefits to ATCMS members. In the upcoming two years, ATCMS will continually promote the legislative issues related to the acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, in the state and Federal levels.

After the board meeting, the new ATCMS board built up the following working teams and started running immediately:

- (1) Secretariat: Sophia Liao (Secretary-in-General), Ming Liu (Associate-Secretary, to assist the administration affairs), Dongxing Sun (Associate-Secretary, to assist the member registration affairs). Other team members include Weiguo Zhang, Xiaoyan Jiang, Zhongzhe Yuan, and Angel Ren.
- (2) The Academic Sub-Committee: Guoping Zheng (Vice-President, Chair), Xiujuan Yang, Hui Li, Xin Zheng, Hongwei Liu, Helen Zhang, John Pai, Shaobai Wang, Hong Su, Jue Cheng, and Nifei Hsieh.
- (3) The Legislation and Insurance Affairs Sub-Committee: Kaiwing Wai (Vice-President, Chair), Emily Hu (Co-Chair), Ming Liu (Co-Chair), Faith Mao, Magnolia Goh, Xueguo Li, Yujun Shao, Zhentao Wu, and Miguel Maya.
- (4) Members' Relationship and Benefits: Jie Shi (Vice-President, in Charge), Xin Zheng, Yue Han, Lihua Chen, Xiaoyan Jiang, Hong Su, Zhijun Li, Magnolia Goh, Edward Mao, Xueguo Li, and Wei Wei.
- (5) Member Development: Xin Zheng (in Charge), Nifei Hsieh, Faith Mao, Hongxing Wang, Jue Cheng, Edward Mao, Xiaoyan Jiang, Hongwei Liu, Xiujuan Yang, Yongming Li, Hui Li, Hong Su, Jun Xu, Xiaoping Zhou, and Shaobai Wang.
- (6) Treasurer: Sophia Liao (in charge), Angel Ren (Book-Keeper), Xiaoyan Jiang, and Dongxing Sun.
- (7) ATCMS Website: Yongming Li
- (8) ATCMS Newsletter Editors: Ling Zheng (Chief Editor), Xiaoping Zhou, Edward Mao, Yongming Li, Hongxing Wang, and Zhijun Li.

All attending board members and working committee members declared that they will take their responsibility for their position and try their best to serve for ATCMS in the next two years.

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January 19, 2014

ATCMS Spring Seminar on March 30, 2014

Clinical Application of Conventional Acupuncture and Zheng's Acupuncture-moxibustion Skills

**Speaker: Prof. Xiaoli Fang, Dean of Acupuncture and Massage Department,
Gansu University of TCM**

Spring is a time when everything begins to grow in a year. To celebrate this season, ATCMS has invited Prof. Xiaoli Fang, student and academic successor of Prof. Zheng Kuishan, "Northwest Acupuncture King" and father of contemporary Chinese acupuncture research, to visit NYC and share her experience of clinical application of conventional acupuncture and Zheng's acupuncture-moxibustion skills during the upcoming seminar dated on March 30, 2014. Prof. Fang is currently a doctoral advisor and leading personnel in Gansu Province. She has studied under Prof. Zheng Kuishan, well-known domestic and abroad, and has engaged in teaching, scientific research and clinical practice of acupuncture and moxibustion for 28 years. At present she holds the position of Director of Acupuncture and Massage Department in Gansu University of TCM, Deputy Director of Clinical Center for Acupuncture and Moxibustion in Gansu Province, Deputy Head of Gansu Institute of Acupuncture and Moxibustion, Deputy Head and Secretary General of the Research Association of Zheng's Acupuncture-moxibustion Skills, Vice-President of Academy of Huang Fumi's Acupuncture and Moxibustion in Gansu Province, Member of the Section of China Institute of Acupuncture and Moxibustion, Member of the Committee for Natural Therapeutics of WFCMS Specialty Committee.

Prof. Fang has persisted in combining theory with practice for years. Through long years of clinical practice of acupuncture and moxibustion, she is good at treating various acute and chronic pain diseases, sequela of apoplexy, diseases of five organs on the head (fundus oculi disease, xerophthalmia, tinnitus and deafness, Bell's palsy, acne, migraine and rhinopathia, etc.), enteric disease, cough, asthma, insomnia, vertigo, obesity, menstruation diseases, rheumatism, osteoarthritis and various difficult and complicated diseases with Zheng's Acupuncture-moxibustion Skills, conventional acupuncture manipulation and Holographic Cheek Acupuncture Therapy. On inheriting Zheng's needling techniques of "Guoyan Re" (Heat beyond the eyes) and "Chuanjia Re" (ates the scapula) of "Warming-producing Needling for Removing Obstruction", she has taken advantage of and developed the needling techniques of "Tongdu Re" (Heat through GV channel) and "Zhoutian Re" (Heat via circle of vital energy) to treat various kinds of difficult and complicated diseases with better effect. She has directed, participated in and completed ten scientific research tasks above provincial level. As academic successor of Prof. Zheng Kuishan, she has directed and completed the research tasks on Zheng Kuishan's academic ideas and clinical experience for acupuncture and moxibustion during the Eleventh Five-year Period of National Key Scientific & Technological Project Research on *Academic Ideas and Clinical Experience of Famous Veteran Doctors of TCM like Zheng Kuishan, Yu Jibai and Zhou Xinyou*, and has achieved several awards in scientific research. At present, she undertakes 3 scientific research projects of National Natural Science Fund and State Administration of Traditional Chinese Medicine. She was a chief editor of 2 books, including "A Collection of Zheng Kuishan's Clinical Experience of Acupuncture and Moxibustion", "Therapeutics for Conventional Acupuncture Manipulation", and vice-editor-in-chief of 4 books, including *Prevention and Treatment of Diseases by Pressing Acupoint along Meridian* and *Choice Collection of Huang Fumi's Medical Work*, etc. Prof. Fang also edited 3 books, including "A Treasury of Chinese Acupuncture Techniques", etc. She has published more than 50 papers in national and provincial publications.

The topics of Prof. Fang's lecture on 3/30/14 are drawn from her personal clinical experience in treating common clinical diseases and difficult and complicated diseases, applying conventional acupuncture techniques and Zheng's acupuncture-moxibustion skills. The highlights of the lecture are as follow:

1. Classical traditional acupuncture manipulation: introduce manipulation and clinical application of some classical traditional acupuncture techniques, such as heat-inducing needling, cool-inducing needling, moving Qi along meridians; introduce combination of syndrome differentiation, acupoint selection and manipulation in clinical acupuncture, in light of eight needling methods established by Prof. Zheng Kuishan, that is "sweating, vomiting, purgation, harmonization, warming, elimination, digestion and tonification". For instance, sweating is a treatment technique which applies acupoint prescription in combination with acupuncture manipulation to open striae to sweat and eliminate pathogenic factors so as to treat superficial syndrome. To transpire wind cold: select GB20, GV14, LI4 and SI3 with heat-inducing needling to generate heat and make sweat. Its indications are some exterior cold syndrome, such as common cold, headache, aversion to cold, fever with no sweating, floating and tense pulse.
2. Zheng's family inheriting and innovative acupuncture manipulation: introduce manipulation and clinical application of heat-reinforcement and cool-purgation needling as well as "Warming-producing Needling for Removing Obstruction" of Zheng's innovative acupuncture manipulation. a. Treatment for head, face, five sense organs (tinnitus, deafness, migraine, prosopalgia, Bell's palsy, "Guoyan Re" to treat eye diseases, etc.). b. Utilize "Chuanjia Re" to treat diseases of neck, shoulder and arm. c. To treat Alzheimers and sequel of cerebral infarction.

3. Zheng Kuishan's theory and practice of basic skills of acupuncture: introduce exposition and practice of ways and methods of acupuncturists grasping basic skills and improving curative effect of acupuncture by Zheng Kuishan. Examples are how acupuncturists could self-cultivate and carry out practice of acupuncture, as well as improve their ability of acupuncture manipulation.
4. Principle of clinical application for conventional acupuncture manipulation: Elaborate prerequisite and basic demands for implementation of conventional acupuncture, explain core of acupuncture reinforcement-reduction as well as key to its curative effect in order to enhance clinical efficacy of treating difficult and complicated diseases by acupuncture.

Conventional acupuncture manipulation has been regarded as important step of affecting clinical efficacy of acupuncture. Since Prof. Fang has studied under Prof. Zheng Kuishan and with nearly thirty years of clinical and teaching practice, her mastery and application of conventional acupuncture techniques has reached a high level. She was often invited to give academic reports and demonstration of conventional acupuncture manipulation domestic and abroad. Her manipulation is comfortable and of rapid curative effect with the advantage of less acupoints, quicker effect as well as better effect for difficult and complicated diseases.

This seminar will be held at Sheraton LaGuardia East Hotel (135-20 39th Avenue), in Flushing, NY 11354, from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 30, 2014. During the seminar, Prof. Fang will demonstrate her acupuncture techniques of "Guoyan Re" and "Chuanjia Re" which belong to Zheng's acupuncture-moxibustion school of thoughts.

The second topic of this upcoming seminar will be presented by Dr. Ling Zheng. During his 60-minute-talk, Dr. Zheng will introduce the revised CMS-1500 Form and explain the differences between the revised form and original one. Also, Dr. Zheng will introduce the new ICD Codes and explain how to use these codes correctly. ATCMS will provide every attendee with a free copy of <<The List of ICD-10 Codes Commonly Used by Acupuncturists>>. The reference information listing about 400 new ICD codes commonly used by acupuncturists and the description in both English and Chinese, was selected and edited by Dr. Ling Zheng, based on <<ICD-10-CM>> published by AMA at the beginning of 2014. It should be a useful tool for acupuncture practitioners on the insurance reimbursement. According to regulations of CMS, insurance companies will only accept the revised CMS-1500 Form starting April 1, 2014, and require healthcare providers using ICD-10 codes for medical reimbursements starting October 1, 2014.

There will be 5 NCCAOM CEU available for every attendee. For detailed information, please read <<The Notice of the ATCMS Spring Seminar>> on this newsletter, or contact Dr. Liao at: 917-605-5819.

Moreover, considering some members and other practitioners may be interested in learning Dr. Fang's needling techniques, ATCMS will host a closed-up demonstration on Saturday, March 29, 2014 (see separate detailed notice). Don't miss this rare opportunity!

(American TCM Society, Academic Sub-Committee)

ATCMS Workshop

Considering our acupuncture colleagues' requirement, ATCMS will arrange a workshop and invite Dr. Xiaoli Fang to demonstrate her needling techniques. The agenda are described as follows:

Date & Time: Saturday, March 29, 2014, 6:00pm—8:00pm

Location: 142-32 38th Ave., 2nd Floor, Flushing, NY 11354
(from Union St. turn to 38th Ave)

Demonstration: (1) The classical traditional acupuncture techniques—such as heat-inducing needling and cool-inducing needling; (2) Zheng's needling techniques—"Guoyan Re" (Heat beyond the eyes) and "Chuanjia Re" (Heat penetrates the scapula).

Language: Presented in Chinese and translated in English

Fee: ATCMS member and student: \$60; others: \$75

Registration: Pre-registration required. Please make a check (payable to ATCMS) and mail it with your personal contact information (including your name, telephone number, and email address) to: ATCMS, 14 East 34th Street, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10016.

Due to limited seats, acceptance is based on first-come, first served policy. Please register ASAP. If you have any questions, please email to: firstacu@hotmail.com, or call Dr. Shi at: 516-906-1120.

2014 ATCMS Membership

ATCMS would like to remind every member to pay 2014 membership dues. As usual, each member is required to pay \$50 dues per calendar year (Jan. 1 – Dec. 31). Please make your check payable to "ATCMS", and mail it to: American TCM Society, 14 East 34th Street, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10016. You may also pay your membership dues onsite when you attend an upcoming ATCMS seminar.

Those members who have paid membership will receive a discounted rate for ATCMS seminars and other member benefits. ATCMS offers a free internal handbook <<Acupuncture Billing>> to those members who pay due. If you have never got this handbook from ATCMS, you may require our staff to give one when you pay your membership at the registration desk. Due to the limited number of handbooks available, it will follow a policy of "first come, first served".

ATCMS is a non-profits professional organization registered in New York State. All incomes of this organization, including membership fee, will be used only for those expenses related to ATCMS affairs. Every ATCMS staff serves for this organization as a volunteer. ATCMS has established its financial administrative and reviewing system, and run it based on these regulations. The ATCMS annual financial statement is displayed every year.

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ATCMS Seminar on March 30, 2014

Date & Time: Sunday, March 30, 2014, 10:30am—5:00pm
(Registration: 9:30am – 10:30am)

Location: Sheraton LaGuardia East Hotel, 7th Floor, Gallery Room
135-20 39 Av, Flushing, NY 11354

Title (1): Clinical Application of Conventional Acupuncture and
Zheng's Acupuncture-moxibustion Skills (10:30am—4:00pm)

Speaker: Dr. Xiaoli Fang, Director of Acupuncture and Massage Department,
Gansu University of TCM

Title (2): Introduce the Revised CMS-1500 Form and ICD Codes (4:00pm—5:00pm)

Speaker: Ling Zheng, L.Ac., the former president of ATCMS

Language: Presentation in Chinese with English real-time translation, 20 headsets,
first-come, first-served basis. For reservation: atcmsny@gmail.com

Credits: 5 NCCAOM CEU

Fees: \$50 for ATCMS members and students, \$80 for others

**A free copy of <<The List of ICD-10 Codes Commonly Used by
Acupuncturists>> will be available for every attendee**

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