# GOV. MSG. NO. **535** JAMES A. PLEISS, D.C., D.A.B.C.O.

#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

#### **BIOGRAPHY**

James A. Pleiss, D.C. has been a licensed chiropractor in the State of Hawaii since 1983. He is a board-certified chiropractic orthopedist, one of the few specialties in the chiropractic profession. He has testified as an expert witness in circuit court, arbitrations, and DCD hearings.

Dr. Pleiss currently serves as the Vice-Chairperson of the Hawaii State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, appointed by Governor Abercrombie until June 30, 2019.

Dr. Pleiss has been an examiner for the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, Part IV Examination, and Part IV Examination Test Committee since 2012. Participation at this level allows Dr. Pleiss to be up to date with the most current state of the art testing standards in the Chiropractic profession.

Dr. Pleiss is certified by the Hawaii State Chiropractic Association as an independent chiropractic examiner and has been performing independent chiropractic examinations since 1985.

Dr. Pleiss' experience includes working in a clinical setting and performing independent chiropractic examinations for over 4 years at Maui Occupational Health Center, a multidisciplinary medical clinic that specialized in the treatment and evaluation of injured workers.

Dr. Pleiss has served on the board of directors of the Hawaii State Chiropractic Association (HSCA), as President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Maui Island Director. He currently holds the position of Maui Island Director. In 1994, he was awarded the prestigious "Chiropractor of the Year" award by Governor Ben Cayetano.

Dr. Pleiss has lectured on the subject of chiropractic documentation to a number of chiropractic organizations and insurance companies in Hawaii. He also has lectured extensively on the topic of "Understanding and Preventing Back Injuries" to numerous Maui Businesses, Fire Departments, Police Departments, Post Offices, Golf Courses, Hotels, Maui County and State of Hawaii Departments.

Dr. Pleiss is currently active in clinical practice in Wailuku, Maui. He is also engaged in consulting work, performing independent chiropractic examinations, impairment ratings, and records reviews.

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#### **LICENSURE**

1983	Hawaii License Number 318		
1983	Minnesota License Number 1929		
CURRENT POSITION			
2015-Present	Clinical Practice: dba James A. Pleiss, DC 2045 Main Street, Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii 96793		
2012-Present	Private Practice dba James A. Pleiss, DC, DABCO Chiropractic Consulting Offices in Wailuku, Honolulu, Hilo and Kona		

#### **EDUCATION**

Northwestern College of Chiropractic (N.W.C.C.), Minneapolis, Minnesota. Degree: Doctor of Chiropractic

College of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota Major: Biology (Pre-medicine) Degree: Bachelor of Arts in Biology

Emergency Medical Technician Course, Mercy Hospital, Fridley, Minnesota

#### PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

2015-Present	Clinical Practice: dba James A. Pleiss, DC
2012-Present	Private Practice: Consulting, dba James A. Pleiss, DC, DABCO
2000-2012	Clinical Practice: dba The Back Center, James A. Pleiss, DC
2000-2012	Hale Makua Extended Care Facility, Staff Chiropractor
1996-2000	Maui Occupational Health Center: Staff Chiropractor Lorne Direnfeld, MD, clinic director
1983-1996	Clinical Practice: dba Kahului Chiropractic Clinic

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1983-84 Lanai Clinic: Staff Chiropractor

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & LICENSING BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

2019	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated as an Examiner in May 2019 for Part IV Palmer West Chiropractic College, San Jose, California
	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated in the Part IV Test Committee Greeley, Colorado, June 2019
2018	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated as an Examiner in Nov 2018 for Part IV Palmer West Chiropractic College, San Jose, California
	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated in the Part IV Test Committee Greeley, Colorado, June 2018
	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated as an Examiner in May 2018 for Part IV Palmer West Chiropractic College, San Jose, California
2017	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated as an Examiner in May 2017 for Part IV Northwestern Health Sciences University, Minneapolis, Minnesota
	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated in the Part IV Test Committee Greeley, Colorado, June 2017
	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated in the Part IV Test Committee Greeley, Colorado, Nov. 2017
2016	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated in the Part IV Test Committee Greeley, Colorado, June 2016
	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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	Participated as an Examiner in May 2016 for Part IV Northwestern Health Sciences University, Minneapolis, Minnesota	
2015	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated in the Part IV Test Committee Greeley, Colorado, June 2015	
	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated as an Examiner in November 2015 for Part IV Northwestern Health Sciences University, Minneapolis, Minnesota	
2014	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated in the Part IV Test Committee Greeley, Colorado, June 2014	
2013	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated as an Examiner in May 2013 for Part IV Northwestern Health Sciences University, Minneapolis, Minnesota	
	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated in the Part IV Test Committee Greeley, Colorado, June 2013	
2012	National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Participated as an Examiner in Nov. 2012 for Part IV Life West College of Chiropractic, Hayward, California	
2014-2019	Hawaii State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, Vice-Chairperson. Appointed by Governor Neil Abercrombie and confirmed by State Senate 2014. Term ended June 30, 2919.	
2011-2014	Hawaii State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, Vice-Chairperson. Appointed by Governor Neil Abercrombie and confirmed by State Senate 2011	
1983-Present	Member of the Hawaii State Chiropractic Association2014-2019Maui Island Director2007-2014Immediate Past President2005-2007President2012-14Maui Island Director2003-05Maui Island Director	

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	1998-99Vice-President1994-95Immediate Past President1993-94President1992-93Vice-President1991-92Treasurer1988-91Assistant Vice-President (Maui)
1997-2012 2015-present	Provider for American Specialty Health Network
1995-2012 2015-present	Provider for ChiroPlan Hawaii, Maui Representative
1991	Member Academy of Chiropractic Orthopedists
1988-93, 2005 1983-91	Clinical Sciences Faculty Northwestern Health Sciences University Member of the Maui County Chiropractic Society 1984-88 Secretary/Treasurer 1988-91 President
1983-2005	Hawaii State Alumni Representative for Northwestern College of Chiropractic
1979-2008	Member of the American Chiropractic Association
<b>CERTIFICATES</b>	
1995	Certified Red Cross Instructor: "Protect Your Back" Program
1992 1991	Certified in Rehabilitation by Los Angeles College of Chiropractic Board Certified in Chiropractic Orthopedics by the American Board of Chiropractic Orthopedists

- 1985Certified Independent Medical Evaluator by the Hawaii State<br/>Chiropractic Association
- 1982Diplomate of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners
- 1977 Nationally Certified Emergency Medical Technician

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## **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

	<u>EVENT</u>	<b>LOCATION</b>
2019	Longevity Health Center "Documenting the Clinical Encounter"	Maui
2018	In-service to Crum & Forster "Chiropractic Documentation"	Honolulu
2018	Managing Workers' Comp Claims in Hawaii Solutions for 2018 & Beyond Title of lecture: "The 5 Most Frequent Workers' Comp Injuries in Hawaii, Prevention, Mitigation and Treatment Regimens."	Honolulu
2017	Case Managers Society of America Post Traumatic Healing through Chiropractic Treatment in Workers' Compensation	Honolulu
2016	Longevity Health Center "Documenting the Clinical Encounter"	Maui
2014	In-service: Acclamation Insurance Management (AIMS) "Understanding Chiropractic Documentation"	Honolulu
2014	In-service: First Insurance Company of Hawaii "Understanding Chiropractic Documentation"	Honolulu
2013	In-service: First Insurance Company of Hawaii Chiropractic 101	Honolulu
2010	Topic: "Clinical Documentation" ChiroPlan Conference	Honolulu
2009	Topics: "Clinical Documentation" and "Clinical Documentation in Workers' Compensation" ChiroPlan Conference	Honolulu
2006	Topic: "Clinical Documentation in Workers' Compensation, Motor Vehicle Insurance and General Practice"	Honolulu

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	Hawaii State Chiropractic Association Documentation Seminar	
2001	Faculty, Court Annexed Arbitration Program (CAAP) Sponsored by Pacific Law Institute	Maui
1994	Faculty, Court Annexed Arbitration Program (CAAP) Sponsored by Pacific Law Institute	Maui
1993	Faculty, Court Annexed Arbitration Program (CAAP) Sponsored by Pacific Law Institute	Kauai
1993	Faculty, Court Annexed Arbitration Program (CAAP) Sponsored by Pacific Law Institute	Maui

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## **ACHIEVEMENTS**

1994 Chiropractor of the Year Award, Hawaii State Chiropractic Association