# Complementary, Alternative and Integrative Medicines

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# Session 2 "Different Medicines"

Diverse Methods of Treating Illness

### Plan for the Course

- Session1: Definitions of Health and Disease.
- Session 2: Different types of "medicines".
- Session 3: Ancient Asian medical traditions.
- Session 4: Faith/religious healing traditions.
- Session 5: Food as Medicine.
- Session 6: Energy therapies.
- Session 7: Diverse unconventional therapies.
- Session 8: Osher Foundation Integrative Centers.

### Plan for Session 2

- Discuss why both patients and doctors are disillusioned with the current heath system.
- Identify and define some medical treatment systems.
- Analyze the principles of some healing modalities.
- Explore the validity and efficacy of the main alternative medicines.

## Disclosure

#### (Spoiler Alert)

- My descriptions of some treatment modalities do not imply approval or disapproval of any of them.
- My intention is not to impugn or defend any specific type of treatment or the beliefs associated with that variant.
- I apologize if, at any time, anyone feels that their personal favorite theories are under attack.
- The topics are very summarized digests and can not include all aspects of each specific therapy.

## I Just Want to Give You:



The facts, just the facts.



## People Just Want to Feel Better

# Doctors' pills, injections and surgeries:

- Are painful.
- Are expensive.
- Many do not work.
- Have painful and long complications.
- Often the cure is worse than the disease.

## Many doctors have <a href="httle-or-no:"><u>little or no:</u></a>

- Patience.
- Empathy.
- Understanding.
- Listening power.
- Humility.
- Redeeming social grace.

#### Doctors need:

- More time.
- Communication skills.
- Knowledge of patients' needs.
- To get off their pedestal.

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## Patient Complaints (1)

My doctor has many initials after his name, but he's missing S.O.B! I don't
understand
anything my
doctor says, and
he doesn't listen
to anything I say!

Sometimes I see an MD, sometimes an NP, sometimes a PA, sometimes a no name-tag.

None of them know me, I feel just like a number on a list.

## Patient Complaints (2)



#### My doctor is too:

- Judgmental.
- Irascible.
- Unyielding
- Domineering.
- Uncommunicative.



My doctor is intransigent.

- His way or the highway.
- Won't accept new ideas.
- Won't answer hard questions.
- Gets angrier as day goes by.
- He's never wrong!



Sometimes I don't trust what he says.

- Contradicts himself.
- Uses circular reasoning.
- Doesn't update hisknowledge.



LOOONG waiting times!



Expensive tests, procedures and medicines.



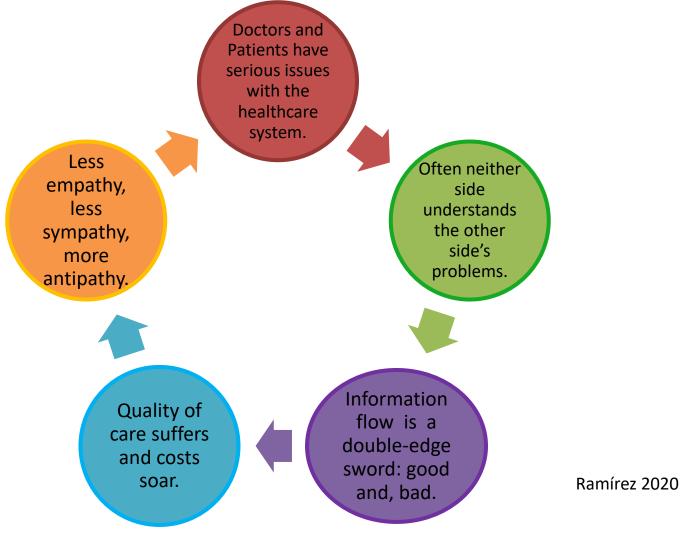
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Treatments have serious side effects.

### Healthcare Disenchantment

#### A Vicious Cycle



### **DOCTORS' COMPLAINTS**

# **Doctors' Complaints**

| Work<br>overload: | More patients.                            |          |
|-------------------|---|----------|
|                   | Less time per patient.                    |          |
|                   | Less time in the workday.                 |          |
|                   | "Pajama time".                            |          |
| Excessive         | 3 P's: Policies, Procedures, Paperwork.   |          |
| red tape:         | Government rules & regulations.           | BURNOUT! |
|                   | Productivity more important than quality. |          |
| Third             | Exemptions, Exclusions.                   |          |
| party<br>payers:  | Too much control.                         |          |
|                   | Prior approval.                           |          |
|                   |   |          |

## Physician Burnout

#### **Increased**

- Drug/alcohol use.
- Depression.
- Uncertainty and fear.
- Competitiveness.
- Disenfranchisement.
- Aggressiveness.
- Negative family issues.
- Medical mistakes.
- Paranoid ideation.
- Risk of Suicide.

#### **Decreased**

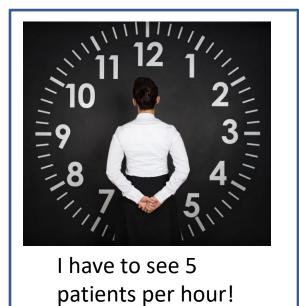
- Professional satisfaction.
- Happiness.
- Productivity & reimbursement
- Medical Accuracy.
- Collegiality.
- Effective teamwork.
- Sleep time.
- Self-worth.
- Quality of personal health.
- Desire to improve/innovate.

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This \*\*\*\*\* computer system is worthless!









# Why People Search for Alternative Medical Systems

They feel that doctors don't care.

They think the system is out to get them.

They are not getting their money's worth.

Friends & family tell them of a better way.

Chronic illness is getting the best of them.

They are not yet ready to give up and die.

# What Do People Get Out of Alternative Medicines?

No complications or side effects.

Enhanced communication with provider.

Satisfaction with results.

Holistic attitude.

Personal involvement and responsibility.

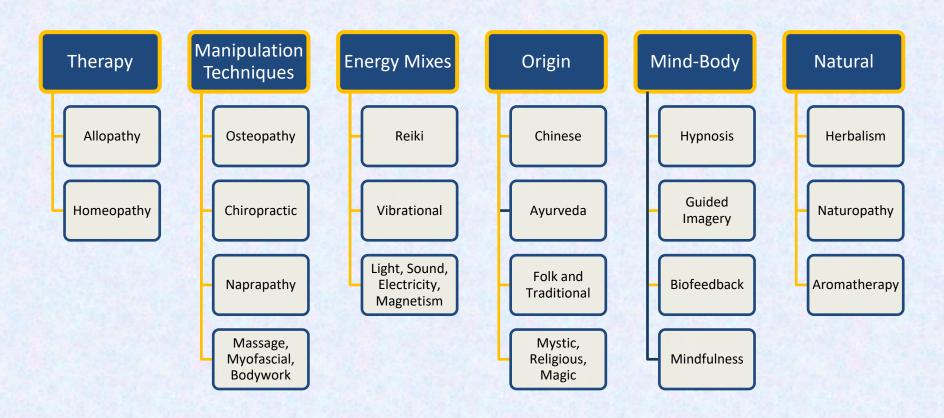
Continuity of care.

# Questions?



## Variety of Medicines

(My Arbitrary Classification)



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# **Healing Systems**

- Allopathic (2)
- Asian/Oriental (3)
- Ayurvedic (3)
- Chiropractic (2)
- Energy (7)
- Faith/Religious (4)
- Folk/Traditional (4)

- Herbal (5)
- Holistic (2)
- Homeopathic (2)
- Integrative (8)
- Naprapathic (2)
- Naturopathic
- Nutritional (6)
- Osteopathic (2)

Numbers correspond to the Sessions.

# COMPLEMENTARY, ALTERNATIVE and INTEGRATIVE MEDICINE

### Medicine

The art, science, or profession of preserving health and of curing or alleviating disease by non-surgical means.

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# Complementary

 System of treatments that is used side-by-side with conventional medicine.

 The practitioners use judgement and training to choose the options that most benefit the patient.

 The overall goal is to treat the patient as a whole.

## Alternative

 System of treatments that is used instead of conventional medicine.

The approach is mostly holistic.

 Practitioners will choose the unconventional or pseudoscientific therapy that most fits their view of the patent's needs: homeopathy, chiropractic, vibrational, acupuncture, etc.

## Integrative

Joins different therapeutic modalities with a holistic view of the patients and their needs.

Emphasis on prevention and healing.

Requires personal involvement of the patients.

Promotes
wellness,
lifestyle change,
nutrition and
herbal
resources.



## Allopathic (1)

Term introduced by Samuel Hahnemann to contrast with his homeopathic medicine.

Greek : állos = other, páthos = sufering. Combats disease by using remedies which produce effects that are *opposite* or different from those of the treated disease.

Medical doctors treat symptoms and diseases using drugs, radiation, or surgery.

Also called biomedicine, conventional medicine, mainstream medicine, orthodox medicine, or Western medicine.

## Allopathic (2)

Many doctors consider the term pejorative.

 Type of Medicine most often taught and practiced in industrialized countries.

- In the US, mostly used as a differentiation between regular and osteopathic doctors.
  - Allopathic physicians receive an MD degree.
  - Osteopathic physicians receive an OD degree.

# Allopathic Medicine (3) Problems

- · Demise of single or small group doctors.
- Replacement by ancillary practitioners.
- Takeover by large groups/systems/hospitals.
- · Dehumanization of the profession.
- Reimbursement structures.
- Professional liability risks, lawsuits, trials.
- Universalization of therapy.



Many Allopathic mainstream physicians consider all other practitioners...

Just a bunch of QUACKS!!!

## SO WHAT IS HOLISTIC MEDICINE?

### Holistic Medicine

- It is not really a specific type of Medicine.
- It is a framework and an outlook for treating patients.
- Any type of care can be holistic depending on the way it is conceived and administered.
- Also called "wholistic".
- Term has been grossly overused.

## Holistic Care (1)

An approach to health care that addresses the patient's physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs.

It is comprehensive and aims to enhance the overall well-being and quality of life of an individual.

Illness is treated by encompassing the individual as a whole, distinct and unique entity.

The physician, as an equal partner with the patient should recognize the individuality of illness over the universality of its etiology.

## Holistic Care (2)

Optimal health is the primary goal.

Prevention is the best intervention.

Integration of healing systems is effective.

Holistic care is patient-centered medicine.

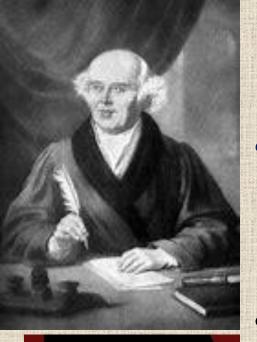
Care should be individualized.

Embrace the healing power of love.

Humans possess innate healing powers.

All experiences are learning opportunities.





# Homeopathy

 Conceived in 1796 by the German physician Samuel Hahnemann.

 Greek: hómoios = like, + páthos = suffering.

Organon of Medicine

Scholar

SELECT

SAMUEL HAHNEMANN

Wrote *Organon of Medicine* stating Philosophy and Doctrine Principles of Homeopathy in 294 Aphorisms

#### "Heroic Medicine" (1)

- Historically, medications, surgery and other traditional therapies (bleeding, purging) often caused more harm than good.
- In "heroic medicine" medications commonly given to patients were arsenic, mercury, castor oil, whiskey and opium.
- Unsanitary surgical practices often resulted in more deaths than cures.

#### "Heroic Medicine" (2)



### First Principle

Aphorism §26



- The Law of Similia (similars):
  - Similia Similibus Curentur ("like cures like").
  - Homeopathic non-toxic microdoses:
    - Can cause symptoms of a disease in healthy people.
    - Can cure sick patients with those same symptoms.
- "A weak dynamic affection is permanently extinguished in a living organism by a stronger one, if the latter is very similar to the former in its manifestations."

#### Second Principle

Aphorisms §272-274

- Law of Simplex:
  - Only one medicinal substance is to be administered in a given period of time.
  - Multiple drugs may result in interactions with adverse effects on the body
- Only one remedy can be the most similar at any given time to the condition of the patient.
- If more than one remedy is used the doctor will never know which element was curative.

#### Third Principle

Aphorism §226

- Law of Minimus (minimal dose):
  - Homeopath gives smallest possible dose:
    - To maximize beneficial effects.
    - To minimize negative side effects.
  - In homeopathy, less is better.

- Repeat doses are based on patient's response.
- · Unnecessary repetition may lower the effect.

# Fourth Principle

Aphorisms §105-145

- Doctrine of Proving:
  - Substances tested to determine medicinal effect.
  - Healthy people (provers) get doses of the substance.
  - Everyone carefully records all symptoms produced.
- Consistent symptoms systematically recorded in the Materia Medica.

After proved, drug can be used by practitioners.

#### Homeopathic Remedies

#### Made using homeopathic dilution

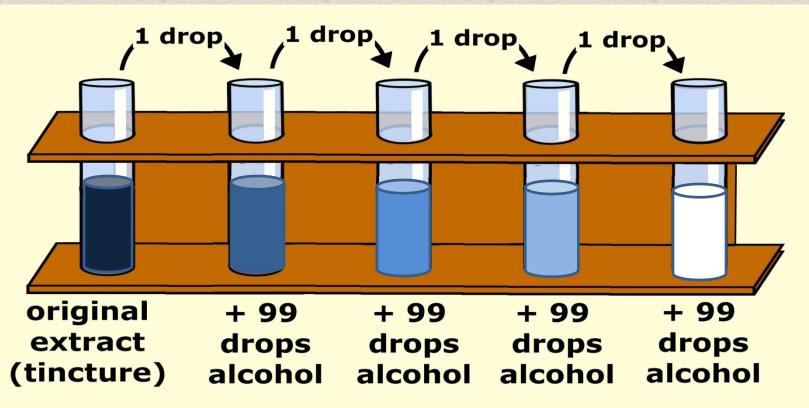
Substance is repeatedly diluted until the end product is chemically indistinguishable from the diluent.

Between dilutions, the product is hit or shaken to make the diluent <u>remember</u> the original substance.

Not even one molecule of the substance is expected to remain in the end product.

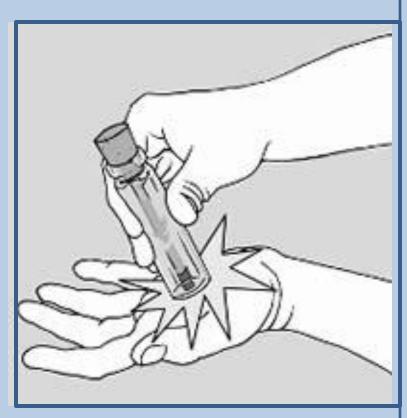
Homeopaths believe these preparations administered orally will treat or cure disease.

#### **Homeopathic Dilutions**



1C 2C 3C 4C etc
"more dilute = more potent"

#### Homeopathic Sucussion



- Process of shaking or striking the bottle firmly.
- To repotentize a homeopathic:
  - Dump the contents of the bottle.
  - Remove all liquid, leaving 1 drop.
  - Add 99 drops of distilled water.
  - Succuss the bottle 100 times.
  - Fill up the bottle with water and alcohol.
  - Succuss 10 times and take the next dose.
- Potency has been raised the potency by 1C.
- This will prevent aggravation or reoccurrence of symptoms.

Remember: More Dilute = More Potent!

## Rise & Fall & Rise of Homeopathy

Very popular in US and Europe since its inception.

Flourished in the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20th century. Declined as scientific medicine flourished.

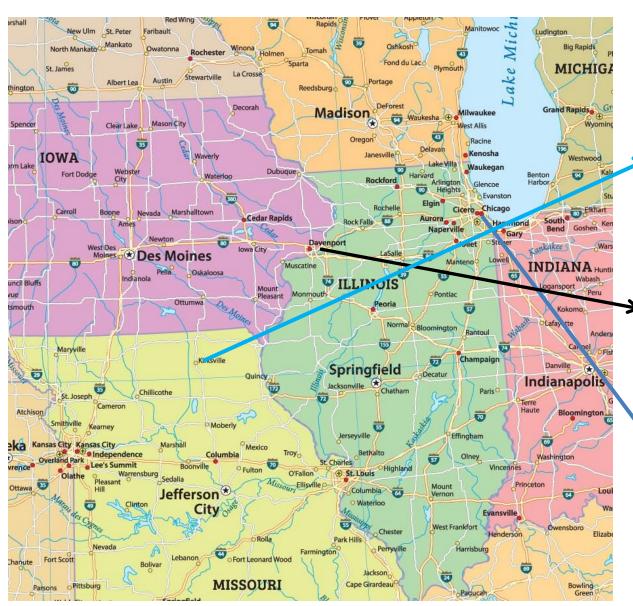
Last US homeopathic Medical school closed in 1920. Rebirth in 1970's with New Age movement and use of "natural products." Several
countries now
exclude
homeopathy
from
government
reimbursement.

### Questions?





#### Midwest USA



# Cradle of Manual Medicines

Kirksville, MO, 1874
Osteopathy

Davenport, IA, 1895 Chiropractic

Chicago, IL, 1905 Naprapathy

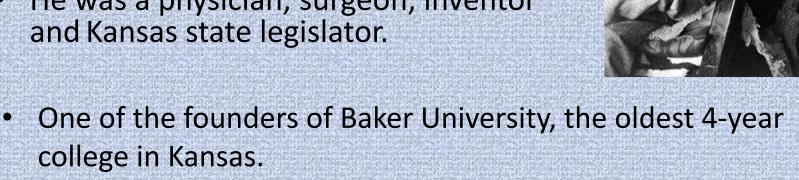


#### Osteopathic Medicine (1)

Greek: osteon = bone and pathos = suffering.

college in Kansas.

- Andrew Taylor Still, MD, DO created osteopathy and osteopathic medicine.
- He was a physician, surgeon, inventor and Kansas state legislator.





#### Osteopathic Medicine (2)

- A. T. Still thought that the body would operate smoothly into old age, if properly maintained.
- He believed that every organism can produce all the necessary chemicals and materials to cure itself of ailments.
- A.T. Still founded the American School of Osteopathy (A.T. Still University), the world's first osteopathic medical school in Kirksville, Missouri.

#### Osteopathic Medicine (3)

Promoted the idea of preventive medicine.

 Advocated the philosophy that physicians should focus on treating the disease rather than just the symptoms.

 A.T. Still believed that the patient should be treated as a unit.

### Osteopathic Medicine (4)

#### **Principles**

1. The body is an integrated unit of mind, body, and spirit.

2. The body has self-regulatory mechanisms to defend, repair, and remodel itself.

3. Structure and function are reciprocally interrelated.

4. Rational therapy is based on the first three principles.

#### Osteopathic Medicine (5)

- Belief in continuity of a myofascial tissue layer that "links every part of the body with every other part".
- Osteopaths diagnose and treat "somatic dysfunction" by manipulating a person's bones and muscles.
- They practice Osteopathic Manipulative Therapy (OMT) which involves stretching, massaging, and moving a person's musculoskeletal system.

#### Osteopathic Medicine (6)

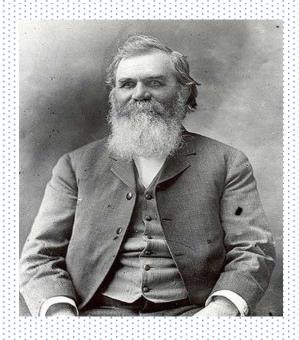
- In the US, Doctors of Osteopathy (DO's) have education, training and licensure similar to regular MD's.
- In Osteopathic medical schools they do rotations in Pediatrics, OB/GYN, Surgery and Internal Medicine.
- Additionally, they have 300-500 hours of training in OMT.
- After graduation they can do residencies and fellowships alongside regular MD's.

#### Doctors of Osteopathy vs Osteopaths

 Practitioners who do not have the required education are allowed to practice Osteopathic Manipulation Therapy (OMT) as Osteopaths.

 They are not considered physicians and can not practice medicine.





Diagnoses and treats musculoskeletal mechanical disorders, especially of the spine.

Invented by David Daniel Palmer (1845-1913) a baker in Davenport, Iowa in 1895. From the Greek: *cheir* = hand and *praktos* = done, thus "Done by Hand".

Chiropractic says that such disorders affect general health via the nervous system. Main treatments involve manipulation of the spine, other joints, and soft tissues.

May also include exercises and health and lifestyle counseling.

#### **DD Palmer**

He was a magnetic healer (Mesmerism).

Had interest in phrenology (diagnosing disease based on the bumps of the skull).

Believed in the vitalistic notion that health stems from the flow of a spiritual life force.

Developed chiropractic along a very metaphysical model.

Never researched his theories, just practiced and taught them.

#### 33 Core Foundational Philosophical Tenets

# 1. The Major Premise: A Universal Intelligence is in all matter and continually gives it all its properties and actions and keeps it in existence.

3. The Union of Intelligence and Matter: Life is necessarily the union of intelligence and matter.

25. Character of Innate forces: The forces of Innate intelligence never injure or destroy the structure in which they work.

28. Conductors of Innate forces: The forces of Innate Intelligence operate through or over the nerve system in animal bodies.

# 20. Innate Intelligence: A "living thing" has an inborn intelligence within its body, called Innate Intelligence.

21. The Mission of Innate Intelligence:

To maintain the material of the body of a "living thing" in active organization.

30. The causes of Dis-ease:
Interference with the transmission of Innate forces causes incoordination or

dis-ease.

31. Subluxations –
Interference with
transmission in the
body is always
directly or indirectly
due to subluxations
in the spinal column.

For most of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, Chiropractic was relegated to the fringes of American medical and religious orthodoxy mainly because of its metaphysical philosophical principles:

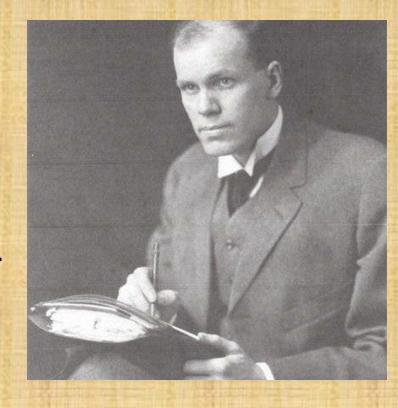
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- 2. The Chiropractic Meaning of Life The expression of this intelligence through matter is the Chiropractic meaning of life.
- 3. The Union of Intelligence and Matter Life is necessarily the union of intelligence and matter.
- 4. The Triune of Life Life is a triunity having three necessary united factors, namely: Intelligence, Force and Matter.
- 5. The Perfection of the Triune In order to have 100% Life, there must be 100% Intelligence, 100% Force, 100% Matter.

- Stormy history with schisms between:
  - Traditionalists (straights) who believe in the "one causeone cure" [subluxation-adjustment] dogma.
  - Mixers who reject the religiousness of the profession, use other treatments (homeopathy, acupuncture, iridology).
  - Reformers who want to do only manipulation and stay away from diagnosing and treating diseases other than musculoskeletal issues.
- Many Conservative Christians nowadays embrace chiropractic as a God-given method of pain relief.

# NAPRAPATHIC

#### Naprapathy (1)

- Invented by Oakley Smith, a former lowa medical student who had studied Andrew Still's osteopathy in Kirksville, MO.
- He trained in chiropractic under D. D.
   Palmer in Davenport in 1899.
- Smith rejected the Palmer concept of vertebral subluxation and developed his own connective tissue doctrine of Naprapathy.



Naprapathy is a popular form of manual medical therapy, in the U.S. and Scandinavia.

#### Naprapathy (2)

- From Czech naprivit = to rectify + Greek pathos = suffering.
- Literally means "to rectify the cause of suffering."
- Smith discovered a contracted, scarred connective tissue that entraps nerves and blood vessels on November 17, 1905 at 11:45 PM and called it *Ligatite*.
- Ligatite Day is celebrated annually by naprapaths around the world as the birthday of Naprapathy.

#### Naprapathic Education (1)



- In 1908, Smith started the 1<sup>st</sup> Naprapathy school in Chicago, at Belmont & Milwaukee.
- John F.A. Howard started a 2<sup>nd</sup> school in 1949.
- The two schools joined in 1971.

#### Naprapathic Education (2)

#### Doctor of Naprapathy (DN) degree in Illinois:

- 2years of general college
- 4 years training in the discipline (may do in 3 years).
- Last year is clinical practice.
- Curriculum should be:
  - 130 credit hours: 66 hours of basic sciences and 64 hours of clinical sciences.
  - Internship includes 1,000 hours of clinic practice and 350 full-credit evaluations.
- First-time licensure is by examination

#### Naprapathic Education (3)

#### Doctor of Naprapathy (DN) degree in New Mexico:

- 2years of general college
- 4 years training in the discipline (may do in 3 years).
- Last year is clinical practice.
- Curriculum should be:
  - 132 credit hours: 66 hours of basic sciences and 66 hours of clinical sciences.
- Examination by the National Board of Naprapathic Examiners is required of all candidates except for those licensed in another state or in Sweden, Norway or Finland.

#### Naprapathy is Ubiquitous

















#### Massage

Swedish: Long gentle strokes, kneading, deep circular movements, vibration and tapping to make person relaxed and energized.

Deep: Slower, more-forceful strokes target the deeper layers of muscle and connective tissue after trauma to help with muscle damage.

**Sports:** Help prevent or treat sports injuries.

**Trigger point:** Areas of tight muscle fibers formed after injuries or overuse.

Thai: Patient's body is moved the into a variety of positions; includes compression of muscles, mobilization of joints, and acupressure.

Lymphatic Drainage: Helps increase the circulation of lymph with light pressure and gentle, long strokes along the skin.

Hot Stone: Warmed stones placed on areas of the body, such as acupressure points.
Soothing and relaxing as stones transmit heat deep into the body.

#### A spa day without leaving home



Relieve neck and shoulder pain with this soothing, heated neck massager.

It has 3 different modes and 15 power levels for the perfect massage experience.

# Manual Therapies Comparison

Chiropractic deals with restoring the flow of innate energy through the nervous system by correcting subluxations..

#### **Naprapathy**

corrects impaired blood flow and nerve functioning. through hands-on manipulation and stretching of connective tissue.

They **all** deal with improving health and lifestyle, and give dietetic recommendations.











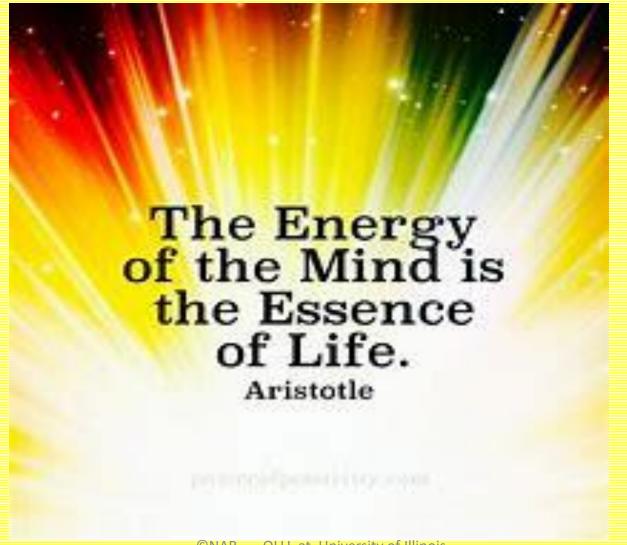
Osteopathy deals with decreased flow of blood though impaired arteries because of bone misplacement.

Massage treats injured or sore muscles & tissues.

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#### Energy (1)



#### Energy (2)

Energy is Everything, and that's all there is to it.

Match the frequency of the reality you want and you cannot help but get that reality.

It can be no other way.
This is not Philosophy.

This is Physics.

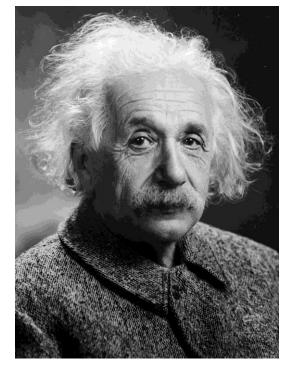
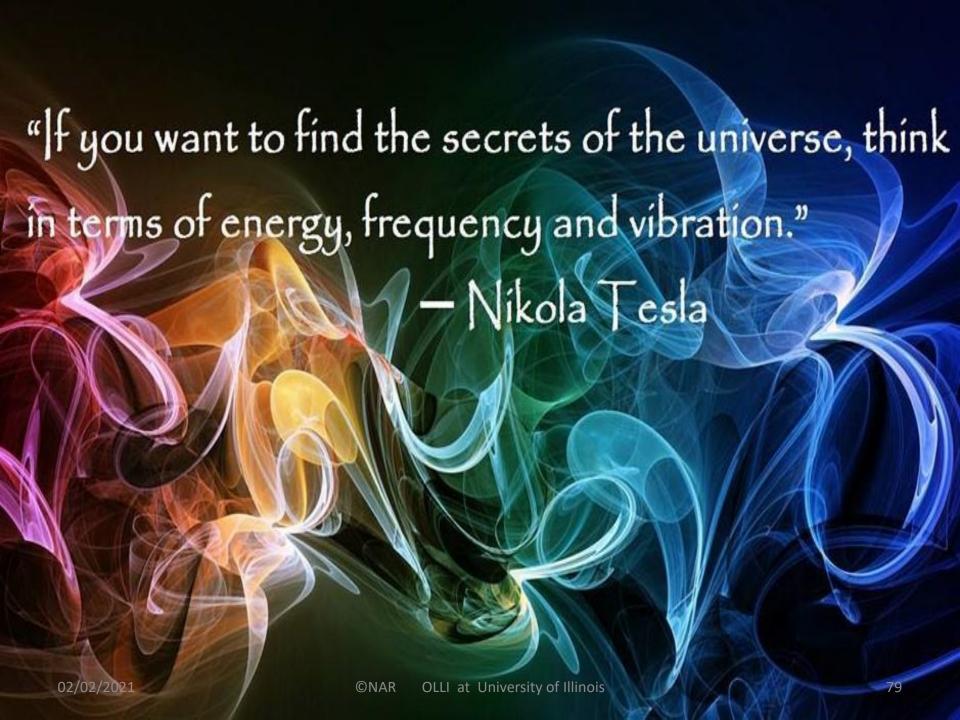


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#### Albert Einstein.



#### **Energy Therapies**

- Topics like:
  - Reiki.
  - Vibrational Medicine.
  - Magnetism.
  - Chakra healing.
  - Sound.
  - Radiant energy transfers.

Will be dealt with in Session 7

## **Healing Systems**

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#### Recap of Session 2

Disenchantment with healthcare system.

Definitions of types of healing modalities:
 Allopathy & Homeopathy.

 Manual Healing: Osteopathy, Chiropractic, Naprapathy, Massage.

### Diversity of USA



#### Final Questions or Comments?



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