

CHIROPRACTIC IN CHINA

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ments and the DCs in turn explained the principles of chiropractic care. One morning the group went to an Elementary School where they checked 210 kids. They spent the morning talking to the teachers and children and enjoyed watching them do Chinese paintings.

The second trip to Zigong

A year later Drs Rodnick, Kern and Ugolik made their second goodwill mission to Zigong. In Zigong No. 1 People's Hospital they checked and adjusted about 300 patients. The feedback from the patients was so positive that the hospital now became interested in this "new health care treatment introduced from America. For the first time they became aware there are special colleges in America that train chiropractors by teaching strict scientific courses.

President Deng Longqi, on behalf of Zigong No 1 People's Hospital, and Dr. Corey Rodnick, on behalf of the Michigan Association of Chiropractors, signed an agreement of cooperation regarding chiropractic care in Zigong. Mr. Li Zhi, the former director of the Municipal Public Health Administration, and Mr. Mou Yunchuan, the director of Zigong Municipal Foreign Affairs Office also participated in the memorandum signing ceremony at the No. 1 People's Hospital.



Dr. Deng and Dr. Corey Rodnick and Dr. Steve Kern sign the contract agreement for the First Chinese American Chiropractic Clinic in Zigong.

Zigong delegation visit the U.S.

In October of 2002, at the invitation of Dr. Corey Rodnick, a group from the Zigong medical community with leaders from the No. 1, No. 2, No. 3 and No. 4 People's Hospital headed by Mr. Yang Jun, the director of the Municipal Public Health Administration, and guided by Lan Qing (Sherrie), came to the United States and visited Dr. Rodnick's clinic in Midland, Michigan. They also visited Life University in Atlanta, Georgia,

The idea of a chiropractic clinic is born

With successive goodwill missions to Zigong the medical doctors as well as the local people got to know more

about chiropractic. When Dr. Corey Rodnick and 11 other chiropractic doctors came to the city for their third goodwill mission Dr. Carl Chow and his brother David Chow, who had arranged all their trips to China, accompanied them to Zigong. The vice mayor in charge of public health of the city and the newly selected director of the Municipal Public Health Administration, Mr. Yang Jun, participated in the welcome reception expressing their appreciation to the group.

During this mission, to satisfy the needs from different parts of the city, the chiropractors were distributed into five groups to cover the hospital as well as several schools. They adjusted 1,270 people and checked and/or adjusted 3,900 students.



Dr. Rodnick and Dr. Deng hug each other after the contract is signed. It has taken years to get to this point.

It was during this third mission that there was discussion about setting up a chiropractic center in the hospital.

Establishing the clinic

To establish a Center of Chiropractic Care in the No. 1 Hospital, Dr. Rodnick and Dr. Kern organized five doctors to make the fourth trip to Zigong with the financial support of Life Foundation. On April 1, 2005 a formal agreement was signed to establish the first chiropractic clinic.

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Banners welcome the chiropractic delegation at one of the schools.



Visiting the schools, talking with and adjusting children was always part of the delegations' schedule. Here the doctors explain chiropractic to school children with the help of an interpreter.