



# The *AMCH Letter*

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## MESSAGE FROM The President

Dear Friend of Homeopathy,

The American Medical College of Homeopathy has seen much growth in recent months. Since the first publication of *The AMCH Letter* last Fall, we have embarked on a number of new and exciting projects, two of which are described below. Feel free to check out our website for more details.

### Homeopathy Veterinary Program

Homeopathy has a rich tradition of successful homeopathic treatment of animals. The American Medical College of Homeopathy has created a homeopathic veterinary program which will be opening in September of 2008, in Phoenix, Arizona. This is a 500-hour, part-time certificate program that is weekend based and will span two years. The program is licensed through the Arizona Private Postsecondary Board of Education and accredited through the Academy of Veterinary Homeopathy. The Program Director is Richard Pitcairn DVM, PhD, a national leader in the field of homeopathic veterinary medicine. The faculty consists of eight well-recognized homeopathic veterinary teachers in the field, including Diana Bochenski DVM, Glen Dupree DVM, CVH, Wendy Jensen DVM, CVH, Karen Komisar DVM, CVH and Jacqueline Obando, DVM. Clinical training comprises one-third of the curriculum. This program is open to the general public as well as licensed homeopathic veterinary physicians. Financial aid and work-study are available. The program is designed to fully prepare students for national certification and homeopathic practice as licensed homeopathic veterinarians or homeopathic veterinary assistants.

### Alternative Fertility Clinic

It is exciting to inform you about the opening of our new alternative fertility clinic at AMCH. We will be using the three most established alternative healing modalities in the world today: homeopathy, acupuncture, and herbal medicine to address fertility issues for individuals and couples. The focus is holistic in approach, with an emphasis on resolving structural, nutritive, and hormonal imbalances, as well as mental/emotional issues, which may be interfering with the conception process. More information at [www.AMCofH.org](http://www.AMCofH.org) under Clinical Services.

## VISION Statement

To provide the highest standard of education in homeopathic medicine, which transforms health care and improves the quality of life.

## MISSION Statement

To create and maintain a four-year full time homeopathic medical school and build a foundation for the future of homeopathic medicine.

### 2008 Certificate Program Graduates

The AMCH Certificate Program graduated its fourth class on Sunday, January 20th. Fifteen students graduated from this program. Congratulations and best wishes to these graduates! Our fifth class just finished its first year of the three-year program. This will be our last part-time class before the start of the full-time homeopathic medical school.

With warm regards,

Todd Rowe MD, MD(H), CCH, DHT  
President AMCH

# TRANSFORMING Lives

*Life changing stories with homeopathy*



## “A Colicky Horse” by Glen Dupree DVM, CVH

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The only two constants for a farm animal veterinarian are that if there is a holiday, there will be an emergency; and, if there is an emergency, there will be bad weather. Both held true for me on Christmas Eve, 2001.

That particular day the temperature plunged over 30 degrees and the cold front brought in heavy winds and a blowing rain. My phone rang about 6PM with a local farmer saying that he had just checked on his stock and found one of his horses had broken into the feed room of the barn and was colicking.

I arrived at the farm to find a mare in extreme distress. Her abdomen was distended with gas, her mucous membranes were pale and clammy, and, if she was not being forced to walk, her legs would draw to her abdomen causing her to crash to the ground with each spasm of pain. A stomach tube was passed to relieve some of the gas (which did not have the characteristic fermented smell of a colic caused by grain overload) and a warm electrolyte solution was administered for energy and to expand her circulating volume.

At this point I began to think about remedies to correct the problem. Even though she was found in the feed room with several bags of feed strewn about the floor, I didn't think that was the cause of her colic since the stomach gasses were not of that character. Since I had already treated a couple of

other Aconite responsive cases that day due to the weather, I opted to begin with Aconite 200c. Three doses at 5 minute intervals changed nothing.

The farmer was less than impressed with those little white pills and neither was I. I changed to Nux vomica on the same schedule reasoning that I had been wrong about the feed consumption and that this was actually a grain overload colic. Three doses of Nux vomica 200c at 5 minute intervals changed nothing.

Now the farmer was colder and more frustrated and the mare was still just as painful. Having ruled out the two most obvious reasons for the colic, I began to notice her characteristic behaviour of pulling her legs to her belly when the pains hit. This reminded me of Colocynthis (Abdomen, Pain, bending double amel). I dosed her with Coloc 200c and the change was immediate. Her ears came forward, her face softened, her eyes began to show life, and she began to nicker. Within 2 minutes she quit crashing to the ground. Within 5 minutes she expelled a large volume of gas and was nibbling at a pad of hay the farmer had put in front of her. No more doses were needed.

To paraphrase JT Kent - Good intentions fail when the wrong remedy is selected. This mare would have none of my good intentions but responded miraculously when the correct remedy was chosen.



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## EDUCATIONAL Opportunities

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### Annual Homeopathic Conference

AMCH is holding its third annual fundraising conference on March 15th and 16th, 2008 at the Mesa Convention Center in Phoenix, Arizona. The topic for the conference is *This Is Why We Do Homeopathy: Inspiring and Fascinating Cases*, presented by Judyth Reichenberg-Ullman ND, DHANP and Robert Ullman ND, DHANP. There will also be a free Research pre-conference (March 14th) and a free Teacher Training post-conference (March 17th). Please join us as we explore our natural world and celebrate the accomplishments of the last year. Contact [conferences@AMCofH.org](mailto:conferences@AMCofH.org) or (602-347-7950) for more information.

### Acute Care & First Aid Course

AMCH offers a 40-hour introductory course that is designed to teach acute care and first aid prescribing for the public. This class meets one Saturday per month for six months. We are currently offering this program in both Pittsburgh, PA and Phoenix, AZ. Contact registrar at [info@AMCofH.org](mailto:info@AMCofH.org) or call 602-347-7950.

### Rhode Island School of Homeopathy

The Rhode Island School of Homeopathy is an affiliate of the American Medical College of Homeopathy. It offers a 900-hour certificate program in homeopathic medicine that spans three years. The program director is Betsy Reiling, CCH. Contact Betsy at 412-963-9812 or [AMCHEast@gmail.com](mailto:AMCHEast@gmail.com) for more information.

### Distance Learning Programs

We have two distance learning programs that we offer nationally. These are 40 and 50-hour introductory courses that are designed to teach first aid and acute prescribing. They are CD/DVD based and accompanied by an extensive syllabus. Contact Lesley Hesselmann at [DistanceLearning@AMCofH.org](mailto:DistanceLearning@AMCofH.org) or 602-347-7950 for more information.

### Full Time Program

AMCH is planning on starting its full-time homeopathic medical school program in 2011. This is designed to be a four-year full-time training in homeopathic medicine and will provide a doctoral level of training. Graduates will be licensed as doctors through the Arizona Board of Homeopathic Medical Examiners.

## IN THE News

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### New AMCH IRB

The American Medical College of Homeopathy Institutional Review Board was established in January, 2008. Institutional Review Boards (IRB's) review research to determine its ethical and moral qualities. The AMCH IRB oversees both homeopathic research at AMCH as well as accepting submissions from the national homeopathic community. Iris Bell MD, MD(H), PhD is the program chairman. Contact [research@AMCofH.org](mailto:research@AMCofH.org) or 602-347-7950 for more information.

### PIHMA/AMCH Joint Program

The Phoenix Institute of Herbal Medicine and Acupuncture and the American Medical College of Homeopathy have established a dual program. This is the first such program in the country where students can study both Asian and Homeopathic Medicine. PIHMA is a licensed and accredited institution that offers a 3310-hour masters level program in Asian Medicine and 2665-hour program in Acupuncture. Together, we offer comprehensive training in the three most common modalities of alternative medicine in the world today. We have already begun to accept students into this program. Contact 602-347-7950 or [info@AMCofH.org](mailto:info@AMCofH.org) for more information.

### AIDS Homeopathic Clinic Externship

Jeremy Sherr, a well-known British homeopath, is in the process of establishing a homeopathic clinic for the treatment of AIDS in Tanzania, Africa. They hope to open the clinic in September 2008 and are seeking funding to establish this clinic. AMCH plans on offering an externship at this site once it becomes established. Contact 602-347-7950 or [info@AMCofH.org](mailto:info@AMCofH.org) for more information.

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