

2010 Annual Report



American Medical College *of* Homeopathy
Transforming Lives

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Overview of 2009-2010



Dear Friend of Homeopathy

Overview

This has been a dramatic year of growth and change at the American Medical College of Homeopathy. We are now only a few months away from the start of our doctoral program and have accomplished much of what we need to do before our start date. We continue to need financial support from the homeopathic community as we move forward. AMCH has turned to online technology this year as a means to make homeopathic education more affordable in a year of financial stress. Lastly, AMCH has moved to a new much larger space to meet our needs for expansion and growth.

AMCH Technology

We have begun online programming in the last year.

Students can now participate in our classes from anywhere in the country. We are using a synchronous online format where distance students can participate directly in the classroom environment in real time, interacting directly with the instructor and other class based students. This has significantly extended AMCH's reach and allowed us to begin to use distance faculty in our teaching. We are applying this to both our certificate and doctoral programs.

AMCH Programs

AMCH is dedicated to the success of its programs and community. The 6th Class of our Certificate Program is now in its second year and we plan to start our 7th class in February 2011. In addition, we are significantly expanding our acute care program by offering this in other locations within and outside of Arizona.

In partnership with AHIMA, we plan to expand our 40 hour acute care distance learning course to 75 hours by adding an integrative medicine section. This will help physicians meet licensure requirements to become licensed as a MD(H) in Arizona.

AMCH Partnerships

AMCH has developed a variety of new and important partnerships in

the last year. The ASU College of Nursing and AMCH have worked together to create a combined degree program in homeopathic research. In addition, they are creating a homeopathic clinic at one of the ASU nursing clinics.

AMCH has partnered with the Graduate Institute to offer preceptorship experiences for Graduate Institute students. Through partnering with Homeopaths Without Borders in Haiti, AMCH is creating an acute care program for nurses and doctors there.

AMCH has partnered with the Council for Homeopathic Certification to help provide malpractice insurance for CCH Certificate holders. We have partnered with the North American Network of Homeopathic Educators to create national homeopathic proving standards.

Fundraising and Volunteers

AMCH continues to make progress towards its fundraising goals. **To date, it has raised \$1 million** of the \$1.4 million needed to start the medical school. We need to raise an additional \$400,000 in the next two years to


complete our initial fundraising goal. Once this goal is accomplished, it will then be possible to move on to Phase Two-\$10 million that will be needed to initiate the building of the eventual campus.

Deseret Biologicals has become a corporate sponsor of AMCH this year and is the exclusive sponsor of our new Acute Care Integrative Medicine Course. We are grateful for their support.

In addition to monetary donations we have been gifted with many Books for our library, homeopathic medicines for our medicinal, and historical artifacts to display in our museum. We also have had over 75 volunteers working with us in the last year.

Thank you for your generous support in the last (past) year. This support makes possible all that we do and promotes the growth of homeopathic medicine.

Warmly,



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

AMCH Medical School



AMCH Campus

Overview

The AMCH Doctoral Program encompasses four years and is full time. Our first class is starting in February of 2011. It is offered both on campus and as a synchronous on-line program. Applications are being accepted.

Licensure and Accreditation

The program is provisionally licensed through the Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education. We are in the process of pursuing accreditation.

Faculty

AMCH has recruited over 60 faculty members to teach the medical school program. This faculty will be divided among twelve separate departments.

Track Programs

In addition to the four-year full time program, AMCH is planning to offer two track programs. Graduates of homeopathic programs may be eligible to place out of the homeopathic portion of the doctoral curriculum and licensed medical practitioners may be eligible to place out of medical portions of the curriculum. We are also offering a slower six-year track for those students who wish for a less intensive pace.

Dual Programs

AMCH offers a dual program in acupuncture and oriental medicine through the Phoenix Institute of Herbal medicine and Acupuncture. This six-year program offers combined degrees in oriental medicine and homeopathic medicine. This dual program is also offered in conjunction with the certificate program.

AMCH offers a dual program in research and homeopathic medicine through Arizona State University. This six-year program offers combined degrees in research and homeopathic medicine.

Homeopathic Practitioner Certificate Program

Description

The Homeopathic Practitioner Certificate Program is a 1100-hour part-time program that spans three years. The program prepares students for the professional practice of homeopathic medicine. Classes meet approximately one day per week. It is open to both the general public and to licensed health care professionals. The program is 1/3 clinical and offers training for its students at the AMCH Medical Center. The director for the program is Ben Taati, CCH.



Ben Taati CCH-Program Director

Licensure and Accreditation

This program is licensed by the Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education and fully accredited through the Council on Homeopathic Education.

Enrolling for 7th Class

Currently we have one class of the Certificate Program operating, with 18 students. Class VI is scheduled to graduate in April, 2012. Our next class starts in February 2011.

On-Line Option

This program is also offered now on-line, synchronous with the campus-based program.

Malpractice

AMCH was successful in obtaining malpractice for its graduates this year through Allied Professionals Insurance Services. Annual premiums are approximately \$500 per year.

Revised Curriculum

The curriculum for this program has been revised and updated. The hours for the program have increased from 900 to 1100.

AMCH Distance Learning Programs

Introductory Programs

AMCH offers introductory distance learning programs, the Homeopathic Practitioner Distance Learning Program I and II. The program is CD based with videotaped cases found in Part II. Classes offered focus on the essentials of classical homeopathy. These classes help prepare physicians for the licensing exam with the Arizona Homeopathic and Integrated Medicine Board. These programs are endorsed by the American Institute of Homeopathy. The Program Director is Lesley Hesselmann, DHM.

AMCH Green Healthcare Program

We have partnered with Teleosis Institute in offering a 35-hour distance learning program. It teaches a practical effective way of implementing environmentally responsible actions in the healthcare environment. It includes:

- Greening your workplace

- Become an environmental health advocate
- Providing sustainable healthcare.

The program provides the tools, resources and coaching to support emerging Green Health Care Professionals.

New Integrative Medicine Program

In partnership with the Arizona Homeopathic and Integrative Medical Association, AMCH has established a new 35 hour program in integrative medicine. This will be available in July, 2011.



**Lesley Hesselmann
Program Director**

Acute Care Programs



Acute Care Program-Haiti

AMCH Acute Care Program-Phoenix Campus

AMCH offers ongoing acute care classes in Phoenix, AZ. This 40-hour program is designed to teach the fundamentals of classical homeopathic medicine including first aid and acute prescribing. The Program Director is Debbie Noah, CCH. The course meets for six months, on one Saturday per month. Many of the students who take this course become inspired to go on for further studies, ultimately becoming homeopathic practitioners.

AMCH Acute Care Program-PIHMA

AMCH is offering its acute care program at the Phoenix Institute of the Healing Arts, in Phoenix Arizona. The course instructor is Debbie Noah, CCH.

AMCH Acute Care Program-SWIHA

AMCH is offering its acute care program at the Southwest Institute of the Healing Arts, in Tempe Arizona. We average 40 students per class.

AMCH Acute Care Program-On the Road

AMCH is offering its acute care program around the country. Please contact us if you would be interested in teaching this program in your area.

AMCH Acute Care Program-Haiti

AMCH is offering its acute care program in Haiti for nurses and doctors.

New Veterinary Program

AMCH is working to establish a new 40 hour introductory program in acute homeopathic veterinary medicine.

AMCH Medical Center



Mary Patterson: Clinic Manager

AMCH Clinics

AMCH has been offering quality reduced cost care through the AMCH Clinic, since 1999. This is a teaching clinic designed to help prepare AMCH students for practice. The Clinic Manager is Mary Patterson and the Clinic Director is Todd Rowe MD(H). We are in the process of adding an acute care clinic this year. AMCH also runs a Fertility Clinic.

AMCH Practitioners

AMCH has a rich variety of homeopathic practitioners practicing homeopathy at the AMCH Medical Center. In addition to homeopathic medicine, clinical services offered include:

- General Practice
- Pediatrics
- Gerontology
- Counseling Services
- Naturopathic Therapies
- New Born Counseling

Arizona Wellcare Foundation

AMCH has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Arizona Wellcare Foundation to offer free homeopathic care for indigent mothers and children.

Listing of Medical Center Practitioners

Carole Eastman, ND
 Marilyn Gradov, HMA
 Alejandra Iniguez, HMA
 Michelle, Kardys, HMA
 Debbie Noah, CCH
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 Margaret Williams MD, MD(H)

AMCH Medicinary and Bookstore

AMCH Medicinary

The American Medical College of Homeopathy Medicinary is the largest and most diverse homeopathic pharmacy in the Southwest Region. Established in 1996, it has provided quality service to the homeopathic community for many years. The inventory contains a stock of over 11,000 items, including a large selection of LM potencies, remedy kits (acute, first aid, desert emergency, pregnancy etc.), flower essences and cell salts. The pharmacy is open to the public from 10AM-3PM Monday through Friday.

AMCH Bookstore

The AMCH Bookstore was established in November 2001. It offers a wide selection of homeopathic books including the latest homeopathic releases and introductory books for patients and practitioners. Its market is focused on student textbooks, books for practitioners in the homeopathic community and public that visit the pharmacy. Students in AMCH classes receive discounts off the regular price. The bookstore is open to the public from 10AM-3PM.



Library

The AMCH Library supports the teaching, learning and research at the American Medical College of Homeopathy. In keeping with its mission as a research library, the AMCH Library acquires primary sources and unique materials. AMCH endeavors to develop a comprehensive level of collection in homeopathic medicine, for advanced level of study in alternative medicine and an advanced level of study in conventional medicine. The American Medical College of Homeopathy Library plays a central role in the development and mission of the college. It is one of the largest homeopathic libraries in the United States

and comprises over 2000 volumes, journals and tapes. The library is a reference library that contains many rare homeopathic books and journals dating back to the 1860's. The core of the library has been assembled from three primary donors:

- Dean Crothers MD
- Ardella Hecht
- Hahnemann Medical College



National Library of Traditional Medicine



AMCH has partnered with the Phoenix Institute of Herbal Medicine and Acupuncture to create the National Library of Traditional Medicine. This library is located in Phoenix Arizona and open to the public.

The library is planned to encompass five separate modalities:

- Asian Medicine
- Homeopathic Medicine
- Mind, Body and Spirit Medicine
- Native and Indigenous Medicine
- Integrative Medicine
 - Orthomolecular
 - Chelation
 - Nutrition

Each modality will encompass two collections: a general collection

and a research collection.

In addition to the collections, the following elements of the project will also be included:

- Administrative Offices
- Career Collection in CAM Modalities
- Computer Research Lab
- Conference Area
- Museum for Each Modality
- Rare Book Collection
- Reference Section
- Research Wing
- Surrounding Gardens
- Tea Room

Online Resources

The library will offer on-line services for both AMCH students and faculty.

Mission

The mission of this library is to create the highest quality and largest traditional medicine library in the country, housing collections for comprehensive and complete energetic systems of traditional medicine as distinguished by culture or modality.

AMCH

Preceptorships



Preceptorships are experiences where students from other disciplines or medical schools visit us to learn about homeopathic medicine. These can be of varied length and intensity. This program helps visiting students develop an appreciation and understanding of the basic principles of homeopathic medicine.

Currently we have arrangements with a number of organizations to provide preceptorships in homeopathic medicine. These include:

- Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine
- University of Arizona Department of Integrative Medicine
- Gladys Taylor McGarey Foundation

- Midwestern University Osteopathic School
- University of Arizona College of Medicine

New Preceptorship Program

AMCH is partnering with the Graduate Institute to create a preceptorship program for their graduate students. Located in Connecticut, the Graduate Institute offers a program in Experiential Health and Healing.



Research



Iris Bell MD, MD(H), PhD-Chair of Dept of Research

AMCH is a national leader in homeopathic research. Research is a core value at AMCH.

AMCH Proving Research

AMCH conducted a proving last fall of *Helix tosta*. The results have been published and are available in book format through the AMCH Bookstore and available in summary format on our website. We plan on conducting another proving in the Fall of 2010.

National Homeopathic Research Conference

AMCH is planning a national homeopathic research conference

in Spring of 2011. Please see our website for details.

AMCH IRB

The AMCH institutional review board (IRB) oversees the ethics of homeopathic research.

Creation of National Homeopathic Proving Research Standards

In conjunction with the North American Network of Homeopathic Educators, AMCH is working on the creation of national standards for homeopathic proving research.

National Homeopathic Research Network

AMCH is working on the construction of a national homeopathic research network. This network would create long term data focusing on clinical outcome studies and cost effectiveness of homeopathic treatment. Contact AMCH if you are interested in participating.



Financial Department



Katherine Gray-Financial Director

AMCH Financial Committee

AMCH has formed a financial committee this year to oversee its investments and endowments.

Financial Aid

We are very pleased to be able to offer limited financial aid for our students starting in the Spring of 2011. This applies to both our certificate and doctoral programs.

Veteran's Tuition Reimbursement

AMCH is approved to offer tuition reimbursement for US Veterans. Veterans, if eligible,

can be reimbursed up to \$15,000 of their tuition per year. In addition, they receive assistance for housing, books and fees. Please see our website for further information.

Scholarships

We are pleased to have assisted several students this year to successfully apply for scholarships. These scholarships are used to defer the cost of student tuition.

Work Study

AMCH currently has several work study students. In exchange for administrative and technological assistance, these students receive tuition reductions.

Student Services



Display cases for museum holdings

Student Housing

AMCH has contracted with Gray Development Group to help provide apartments for students relocating to Arizona. In addition, we partner with local realtors to provide assistance with home purchase options.

American Museum of Homeopathy

AMCH plans on displaying a portion of its historical collection in the building. We continue to seek out donations for the museum and hope to eventually make this a free standing building.

Community Gatherings

AMCH has been sponsoring community meetings over the last year. These gatherings help to build community and provide networking opportunities for participants.

Student Discounts at Partner Schools

AMCH has partnered with the Phoenix Institute of Herbal Medicine and Acupuncture, Southwest Institute of the Healing Arts and Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine to provide discounted clinical services for students, faculty and staff.

Discounts on Clinical Services, Pharmacy and Books

AMCH students, faculty and administration receive 20% discounts on clinical services, pharmacy and books.

State Membership Organization

AMCH doctoral students will be eligible to become full members of the Arizona Homeopathic and Integrative Medical Association.

Public Information

General Information

AMCH serves as a general clearinghouse for information about homeopathic medicine locally, nationally and internationally. We provide introductory talks to the public, publish quarterly newsletters and house a library that is open to the public.

Public Talks

AMCH offers public talks which are available both at the AMCH Campus and at remote locations.

Facebook and Blog

AMCH has focused on social marketing strategies in the last year and can now be found on Facebook. In addition, we are opening an AMCH Blog in the next few months.

Study Groups

AMCH supports several study groups on homeopathic medicine in the local homeopathic community.

Website

The AMCH Website is a popular visitor's site for inquiries about homeopathic medicine. We receive nearly 200 daily visitors with over 200,000 page views per



New Mural in Kid's Waiting Area

Partners and Supporters

Partners

To assist in its mission, AMCH has formed partnerships and alliances with many entities. Those listed directly assist AMCH in fulfilling its mission.

American Institute of Homeopathy
Arizona Homeopathic and Integrative Medical Association
Arizona Private School Association
Arizona State University Dept. of Nursing
Council for Homeopathic Certification
Council for Homeopathic Education
Consortium to Advance Integrative Healing
Gladys Taylor McGarey Foundation

Graduate Institute
Midwestern Osteopathic School
National Center for Homeopathy
National Library of Traditional Med
Phoenix Institute of Herbal Medicine and Acupuncture
Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine
Southwest Institute of the Healing Arts
Univ. of Arizona Dept. of Integrative Medicine
Wellcare Foundation

Combined Program with Southwest Institute of the Healing Arts

AMCH is partnering with the Southwest Institute of the Healing Arts to create acute care programs that are both campus based and on-line.



Partners and Supporters

AMCH Fundraising

We look to the community to support us in our mission of creating a college that offers special programs that train and educate the finest homeopathic practitioners. We have successfully raised \$1 million of our initial \$1.4 million goal. Every donation counts, be it large or small. As a non-profit 501c3 corporation, all contributions are tax deductible.

Sponsorship

Corporate sponsors are recognized for their contributions to AMCH.

The levels are as follows:

- Copper: \$5000
- Silver: \$10,000
- Gold: \$20,000
- Platinum: \$75,000
- Diamond: \$150,000

Sponsors

Deseret Biologicals
 National Center for
 Homeopathy
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 Standard Homeopathic / Hylands

Major Individual Donors

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 Iris Bell
 Dean Crothers
 Mikhail Deputat
 Sonny Cave & Stefanie Workman
 Michael Quinn
 Karl Robinson
 Todd & Thelma Rowe
 Dan Thompson

Volunteer Opportunities

With over 75 current volunteers, AMCH relies heavily on its volunteer program. There are many volunteer opportunities both locally and nationally to assist us in our mission.

Thank You to Deseret Biologicals

We want to thank Deseret Biologicals (www.desbio.com) who has become our most recent major corporate sponsor for AMCH. They are the exclusive sponsor for new Introduction to Integrative Medicine Program.

AMCH Donates

AMCH has donated to many organizations in the last year. These in part have included:

- Homeopathic Library of Jhansai
- Homeopaths Without Borders
- Los Angeles School of Homeopathy
- National Library of Traditional Med

Accomplishments 2009-2010

- Recruitment and preparation for first class of AMCH Doctoral Program
- Graduated 6th Homeopathic Practitioner and HMA Certificate Program Class
- Initiated AMCH/Arizona State University Dual Program in Homeopathic Research
- Expanded AMCH Faculty to 65
- Sunset legislative hearings for continuance of Arizona Board of Homeopathic Medical Examiners
- Held North American Network of Homeopathic Educators conference at AMCH
- Expanded staffing to 5.0 FTE's
- Increased volunteers to 75
- Achieved Provisional Licensure for AMCH Doctoral Program
- Grand Opening of National Library of Traditional Medicine in partnership with PIHMA
- Fund Raising to date of \$1,000,000
- Conducted and published Proving of *Helix tosta*
- Began exploring partnership with sister homeopathic schools from around the world
- Expansion of AMCH Acute Care Program into PIHMA and SWIHA
- Revision and dissemination of AMCH Strategic Plan
- Expansion of AMCH Board of Directors
 - Cataloging and increased holdings of AMCH Library
 - Expansion of AMCH Pharmacy holdings and establishment of AMCH Pharmacy Newsletter
 - Renewal of AMCH accreditation through the CHE for AMCH Homeopathic Practitioner Cert. Program
 - Expansion of AMCH presence through 2010 LIGA conference
 - Submitted Letter of Intent to Higher Learning Commission
 - Monthly Introductory Talks/Webinars and Brown Bag Lunches
 - Relocation to facilities that have doubled our size
 - Initiated AMCH online technology and programming
 - Began regular AMCH Departmental meetings
 - Establishment of AMCH social networking sites
 - Hire SRUSA for student recruitment
 - Began Teaching Haiti Acute Care Program



AMCH Goals **2010-2011**

- Begin First Class of the AMCH Doctoral Program
- Begin 7th Class of the AMCH Homeopathic Practitioner Certificate Program
- Establish AMCH Financial Committee
- Opening of AMCH/SWIHA Online Acute Care Program
- Opening of AMCH/SWIHA Homeopathic Medical Assistant Program
- Continued expansion of AMCH Board of Directors
- Formation of AMCH Integrative Medicine Program in partnership with AHIMA
- Formation of AMCH Acute Care Veterinary Program
- Expansion of AMCH Acute Care Program-National Extensions
- Arizona Sunrise legislation for Doctor of Homeopathy Program
- Improvement of Arizona exemption legislation
- Conduct 15th AMCH Homeopathic Proving
- Hold AMCH National Homeopathic Research Conference
- Expand AMCH Faculty to 90
- Initiate Academic Council, Curriculum Committee, Effectiveness Committee
- Fundraising of an additional \$200,000



- Establishment of Student Loan Program
- Expansion of partnerships with international homeopathic programs
- Expansion of AMCH Database
- Creation of AMCH Blog
- Expand staffing to 6.0 FTE's
- Creation of National Homeopathic Proving Research Standards and Research Network
- Completion of Commission on the US Department of Education Recognition for the CHE
- Establishment of AMCH Acute Care Clinic
- Submission of Preliminary Information Form to the Higher Learning Commission

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