



Partner Profile:

Society for the Promotion of Manual Practice Osteopathy (SPMPO)

SPMPO was established in 2005 and is a professional association of osteopathic practitioners comprised of an all-volunteer six person board of directors. SPMPO currently has twenty members and is growing; its members' are mainly located primarily in British Columbia, Canada. SPMPO's objective is to promote, represent, demonstrate, and inform the public of Manual Practice Osteopathy and the role it plays in health care in British Columbia. SPMPO aims to clarify the present confusion that exists between manual practice osteopaths and osteopathic physicians in British Columbia, to ensure that the best quality of manual practice osteopathy is provided to the people of British Columbia from osteopathic practitioners with high standards of training and expertise. SPMPO provides a code of conduct to demonstrate the Society members' commitment to the establishment and promotion of Manual Practice Osteopathy. SPMPO strives to represent and promote manual osteopathy to governmental, legislative and healthcare bodies to be a liaison with other osteopathic organisations in Canada and worldwide.

SPMPO's major activities include maintaining a register of qualified osteopathic practitioners, keeping abreast of government policy and legislation which has an impact on osteopathic practice in British Columbia, communicating with the Ministry of Health and other health care organisations regarding osteopathy, and promoting the interests of its members and of osteopathy in general by communicating with other osteopathic organisations. Foreign members may join SPMPO if they meet the membership criteria. The SPMPO is a registered non profit Society incorporated under the Society Act in British Columbia.

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