

# Dr. Steven Lester, B.Kin (Hons)., M.Sc., DC

**Candidate for CCO**

**Electoral District 3: Central East**



I would like to formally announce my intention to rerun as a candidate from district 3 on CCO Council. I have been a chiropractor since 2009 and have treated patients in district 3 for my entire career. My primary practice is in Pickering where I believe that I uphold the values of the chiropractic profession, values such as integrity and respect. I have demonstrated these values throughout my career as I have created a trusting relationship with my colleagues, my patients and my community.

“Chiropractors who are elected will reflect their commitment to the public’s right to safe, effective and ethical chiropractic care.”

If re-elected to the CCO Council I will continue to contribute to the regulation of chiropractic in the public interest in the following ways:

- 1) As advocate for public health and safety:

From 2009-2020 I was not only a chiropractor in Pickering, I also instructed and mentored emerging professionals through my faculty position at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC). Since December 2020, I resigned from CMCC to pursue a passion as a firefighter. As a chiropractor and a firefighter, I have continued to advocate for public health and safety, these positions provide me the opportunity to practice what I preach. Whether it is my current position on CCO allowing me to advocate for patient safety or using my experience and knowledge to promote firefighter safety and injury prevention during training, I have a willingness to help those around me.

- 2) As an active participant, directing my passion for this profession in collaboration with CCO Council and committees, to represent Chiropractic creditably and effectively in strengthening working relations with government and other public agencies to accomplish CCO strategic objectives:

Over the last 3 years on the CCO council I have been able to further my knowledge and experience on the board. I have been an active participant on the patient relations committee, Chair of fitness to practice, and have worked diligently on the discipline committee. Over the last year I have spent time on the executive committee, these positions within the CCO have allowed me to gain further understanding as to the efforts CCO is taking to protect the public. These positions have added to my knowledge and skill set that I wish to continue utilizing helping our council and protect the public.

It would be an honour and a privilege for me to become a representative on CCO Council, I pledge to work hard to fulfill the CCO’s mandate to “build public trust and confidence and promote understanding of the role of CCO amongst all stakeholders”. I kindly ask for your support. If you have any questions, please contact me at [steve@theaimclinic.ca](mailto:steve@theaimclinic.ca).

Sincerely,

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