It happened as quickly as people say it does. Within minutes of sneaking outdoors, 2-year-old Matty Fitzsimons was facing death. He had nearly drowned in a pool of water no deeper than an average bathtub. That was Memorial Day 1999.

Doctors reported Matty would be “severely spastic and a vegetable for the rest of his life.” A social worker even told his parents, Paula and Jim Fitzsimons, “God’s not going to do anything for you. You should be home with your other kids.” The Fitzsimons family had four girls and two boys ranging from 2 to 12. But they refused to give up on Matty.

For two months Paula and Jim held vigil at the hospital while doctors tried to determine the source of Matty’s spasms. “His body was completely arched backward,” Paula says. “His head was turned to the right and locked. His teeth were clenched, his arms pulled back, his feet turned out in a ballerina position, and he screamed the whole time. The spasticity was so severe that he kept blowing out his IVs.”

After a semipermanent IV line and feeding tube were inserted, Matty calmed down for a while. “But only because they had him on morphine, Valium, Haldol, clonidine and another three pages of drugs,” Paula says. Eventually, surgeons inserted a pump into Matty’s abdomen to dispense the powerful antispastic drug baclofen into his spine. It wasn’t a solution, but it brought some relief.

The first real ray of hope for the Fitzsimoneses came during a visit by one of the hospital’s occupational therapists. While trying to work on Matty’s unbending body, she said, “I’ve been taking some courses in CranioSacral Therapy. Do you mind if I try it on Matty?” Barely touching him, she placed one hand on his spine and the other on his stomach.

“The spasticity started to break a little bit and he stopped crying,” Paula says. “She was the first person to get Matty to settle down without using medication.” Encouraged, Paula phoned Dr. John Upledger, who helped her find CranioSacral Therapist Mable Sharp, PT, in their area.

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The Visceral Manipulation Report

Using Visceral Manipulation to Affect Global Changes
by Barbara Chang, CMT

In the field of complementary care, the more effective treatment tools we command, the more confidently we affect progress and improvements for our client base. In many diverse clinical applications, Visceral Manipulation is my modality of choice for precisely and efficiently “doing the least and getting the most” global therapeutic effects.

This aspect is especially evident when working on the trunk. Not only are all the viscera contained in the trunk, but the viscera’s interconnectedness to the rest of the body communicates a marvelous, expansive, global understanding of the body and its structures. To illustrate, here are three different clients who each benefitted from Visceral Manipulation.

The Liver Transplant Recipient

Leslie* arrived for her session wearing an elastic support belt around her sacrum. She complained that her sacrum had “gone out” and that she received had two chiropractic “emergency” treatments.

A woman in her mid-50s, Leslie had been the recipient of a liver transplant four years earlier. Recent events included: (1) attending a two-day, strenuous Kundalini Yoga workshop, (2) having a seemingly healthy friend her same age die of a stroke, and (3) helping pack and move her place of employment.

During our session, her body’s global responses to these mechanical-emotional stressors displayed an interesting visceral “network” of interconnected patterns. They indicated that the liver transplant surgery had made minute yet permanent mechanical alterations to her visceral ligamentous systems. Some were primary and some were secondary to the liver.

The particular areas of mechanical fixations included: the right, round ligament of the uterus; the firm fascial-osseous association of this ligament with the right pubic symphysis; the right lesser trochanter; and the right medial condyle of the tibia. The cumulative effect was a second and third lumbar vertebrae anteriorly displaced enough to cause lumbosacral symptomatic pain.

With visceral releases of the mechanical fixations, those vertebrae spontaneously repositioned back into optimal anatomical alignment. As she got on her feet, Leslie said, “Oh, that’s looser. I don’t think I need to wear the support belt!” (She put it on anyway for good measure.)

The Lacrosse Player

Mike* is 16 years old and an active lacrosse player whose mother reported numerous bilateral ankle sprains. At birth, Mike was delivered by C-section and born with clubfeet. He wore braces and splints from infancy through early childhood, and has had continual muscular discomfort in his hamstrings and ankles.

On this particular occasion, Mike overslept for his appointment and arrived with only 25 minutes remaining. As if unconsciously realizing our time constraints, his tissues gave a classic VM “hug the lesion” type of listening evaluation. His left kidney was suctioned superiorly into the spleen, which impeded optimal physiological gliding, rolling, and shearing of both organs in their visceral spatial environment.

Because of the precise nature of VM, overtreating is not advised. Indeed, most VM releases are achieved in 20 minutes or less. This lesional display was a perfect match for a VM adjustment, which quickly and easily remedied and improved normal motions of the left kidney and spleen.

The energetics of both organs was enhanced, and Mike affirmed the global effects upon neighboring organs, tissues and structures. They included the left ankle (muscular component), lumbosacral osseous structures, dural components, and pelvic plexi (a central nervous system component).

The Marathon Runner

Darlene* was in her mid-20s. She was a marathon runner who trained three to six times a week, averaging 8-16 miles per run. She complained of stomach bloating that lasted for long periods after eating. Although she appeared fit and trim, her viscera told a different story.

Darlene’s posterior abdominal wall was so rigid and inflexible that spatially the only direction her viscera — especially the loops of the small intestine — could move to accommodate for digestive processes was forward. So she was distended and bloated. This, combined with each hip, knee, ankle and foot repeating the same continuous running motion 4,500-6,000 times in a typical 8-mile marathon, for example, contributed to her symptomology.

After listening to her tissues, I used VM techniques to work on her mesenteric roots and sigmoid mesocolon. I also addressed all five transitional zones of the digestive process (cardia, pylorus, Oddi, duodenojejunal and ileocecal valve/sphincters). And I performed multiple recoils to release the gastrophrenic and left triangular ligaments (liver).

Later I demonstrated effective warm-up and warm-down exercises, and I emphasized the use of CranioSacral Therapy to relax the input to her sympathetic nervous system. The last continued on page 5
CST Eases Toddler's Spasticity

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In August 1999, Matty was finally released from the hospital and the CranioSacral Therapy (CST) sessions with Mable began. One of the first areas Mable focused on was Matty's skull. Two days after the accident, Paula had found a large lump on the back of Matty’s head. “The doctor informed me that it was part of his skull that had always been there.” But Paula knew otherwise. As a mother she knew every nuance of her child's head. And with a degree in health education she also knew pathophysiology. She knew that lump was in the area of Matty’s brain that controls motor activity.

Sure enough, with CST, the bump started going away — and with it the spasticity.

Progress Opens Eyes and Hearts

Matty continued to progress through the coming months. Through subsequent rehabilitation he had the chance to work with several therapists who were performing CST. “I don’t know where Matty would be without the CranioSacral,” Paula says. “CranioSacral Therapy works with getting him reconnected.”

Even Jim, the family skeptic, has come to appreciate the effects of CST in his son’s life. After Matty participated recently in a "Cranio-Sacral Therapy for Pediatrics” class, Jim commented to Paula, “Is it my imagination, or is Matty reaching better and fine-tuning his coordination with his eyes and hands?”

Until then Jim had maintained an “I’m not sure it wouldn’t have happened anyway” attitude about CranioSacral Therapy. “Now it was obvious that CranioSacral had made a difference,” Paula says. In particular, Matty had severe strabismus that “seemed to get better the more CranioSacral Therapy he had.”

Matty, who turned 4 on June 23rd, is now learning to use a walker. “He has really started to exert his independence,” Paula says. “His speech is becoming more spontaneous, and so many things are coming back to him — including how to play many of his favorite games from before.”

All this progress has come from a boy doctors said would be severely spastic for the rest of his life. Paula is quick to encourage parents. “Don’t believe them,” she says. “Educate yourselves. And try CranioSacral Therapy, especially if you’re dealing with a head injury. We intend to make sure everyone knows how important finding the right therapy is.”

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When Symptoms Defy Logic: Using the Body as a Guide

by Signy Erickson, DC, CST-D

I have a vivid memory from my last few weeks of chiropractic college — a feeling that I was supposed to know everything about managing a patient’s care, then realizing full well how little I really knew.

Experience has tempered that expectation. Yet what’s helped me most has been learning to let the patient’s body tell me what it needs instead of relying on my own knowledge and logic.

The concept of the body’s “innate intelligence” is core to the foundation of chiropractic. While some may consider this merely a theory, practice has shown me that the body’s ability to heal is at the heart of virtually all interventions that succeed on behalf of a patient. I believe each of us can use this innate intelligence to help direct our treatments.

For me, the key to following the body’s lead was in refining my palpation skills. We all learn how to palpate in school. Most chiropractors are quite good at it. But even more than palpating joint play and muscle tone, I’m talking about tuning in to the fascial system — including the dura mater as a specialized form of fascia.

If one considers the fascia a continuous, three-dimensional web that envelops most body structures, it isn’t hard to imagine how a restriction in one part of this system could affect other areas. Learning to palpate these restrictions is key to finding potential problems and being able to treat them.

**Palpating to Free Restriction**

The training that put me on the path to increasing the subtlety and discernment in my palpation was CranioSacral Therapy (CST), developed by osteopathic physician John E. Upledger. Practitioners are taught to palpate and treat with pressures as little as 5 grams (the weight of a nickel).

It may seem impossible to accomplish anything with such delicate pressure, yet it’s remarkably effective. Gentle palpation allows the practitioner to work at a level generally quite comfortable for the patient, which leads to less guarding. It also enables the practitioner to acquire more sensitivity in the hands. With diligent training and practice, one can even learn to “feel” throughout the patient’s body from any location. Once a tissue restriction is discovered, the practitioner can then release it using the same light forces.

**How does this relate to innate intelligence?**

By using light touch and tuning into the patient’s body, the body can tell you what it needs. In practice, it feels as if the fascia pulls me right to where the body needs me to be. Then it lets me know how firmly and how long to hold the position. Treatment becomes akin to a dance between patient and practitioner. My role is simply that of facilitator. I “listen” with my hands, “follow” the tissues where they take me, and “hold” to allow the tissues to release.

With CST, I no longer need to know everything, or even figure out what to do on my own. That’s a good thing, because my hands are often drawn to areas that don’t appear to have any logical relationship to a patient’s symptoms.

**Working on All Ages**

Case 1. A 55-year-old male presented with severe suboccipital pain and stiffness. He attributed the sudden onset to a stressful situation he had recently confronted. Treating the symptomatic area on the first visit provided some minor relief. At the second visit I was drawn to work intraorally. I found a significant compression and torsion in the bones of the hard palate.

Upon further questioning, the patient remembered an injury he had suffered previously. He had been holding a large nail in his mouth while working. Suddenly a board fell and hit the nail, jamming it into his palate. At the time he removed the nail and thought nothing more of it.

As I treated the remnant mechanical lesions in his palate, the suboccipital pain went away and he gained full cervical ROM. At the one-week follow-up he reported that his neck pain and stiffness had completely resolved.

Case 2. A 5-month-old infant was brought in presenting with persistent colic. (Colic generally subsides by three months.) The child was crying and appeared to be uncomfortable.

Examination revealed multiple restricted sutures in his skull and very little amplitude to the cranial rhythm. As I gently treated each of the involved sutures, the baby cried less and less. By the end of the session he was asleep. At the follow-up one week later, his parents reported he had been doing fine ever since our first visit.

**Integrating Approaches for Better Patient Care**

Using CranioSacral techniques in my practice has dramatically expanded my ability to treat patients like these.

I believe we as chiropractors excel at treating functional neurological problems, especially those stemming from the spinal cord and peripheral nerves. But why stop at C1? How about the cranial and its contents? What about the role of fascia in establishing and maintaining joint restrictions? In each of these cases, I would not have been able to adequately treat my patients had I only treated the area of symptoms or been unable to treat the cranium.

Certainly, a systematic and logical approach is often needed. But for the many patients whose signs and symptoms simply don’t fit logical patterns, CST has been crucial in my ability to help with those especially challenging cases.

In my practice I generally treat adults in 45-minute sessions (30 for children). I use CST as the primary modality and then add anything else I feel may help — including high-velocity adjustments. Compared to some chiropractors, I see relatively few patients. And there’s another wonderful side effect for the CST practitioner: It is much easier on the therapist’s body than the traditional high-volume, high-velocity-adjustment practice.

If applying CST simply demands more time and patience than a chiropractor can provide, then referring to a CST practitioner — or simply setting up two or three CST days or afternoons — is a viable option.
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I saw Darlene she was just fine, and I assume she’s running comfortably about her life today.

Talking and Listening to the Tissues

As you can see, Visceral Manipulation is a great asset to the palpation repertoire. Just as Dr. John Upledger likes to “talk” to tissues, French osteopath Jean-Pierre Barral, developer of Visceral Manipulation, is a magician at emphasizing the importance of “listening” to the viscera.

CST and VM palpation, techniques and releases are distinct and different. Yet together they blend beautifully into a comprehensive “talking-and-listening” program that respects the inner knowledge of structures to achieve noninvasive, tissue-specific, lasting releases for the body.

*Names were changed to protect patient confidentiality.

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Dear colleagues and friends,

Since early 2000, complementary therapies have piqued the interest of mainstream media like never before. Modalities such as Craniosacral Therapy and Visceral Manipulation have found an audience through TIME magazine, CNN news and other venues.

Now it is up to us to keep that momentum strong. Everything we do today will impact the way healthcare is practiced in the future. If we are to make a lasting difference, it will require daring on our part.

We must continue to have the courage to step beyond the bounds of conventional wisdom and be open to exploring all the wonders of the human body. We must be willing to set aside our egos each day to let the patient be the guide. And we must seek new ways to return the element of compassion to the healthcare equation.

You help us accomplish that by supporting The Upledger Foundation’s research projects and community outreach programs. Your dedication combined with our innovative techniques has made a difference in countless lives. After all, true healing extends beyond body parts to encompass all of body, mind and spirit.

Please remember us with your gifts and donations this coming year. Your support makes a world of difference.

Sincerely,

John E. Upledger, DO, OMM

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### Compassionate Touch

Last year I told you about the Compassionate Touch program — our project to bring caring touch into schools, our goal of reducing violence among children, and the remarkable behavioral improvements at one Midwest school after just one program.

This year we took all that great work — and purposely took a step back. We’ve taken some time to put together a formal package for other therapists who want to bring Compassionate Touch to children in their own communities.

We’ve created a manual that outlines the program from beginning to end. It explains how to approach a school board. How to talk to parents, teachers, principals and kids. What terms to use (and which to avoid). Even how to use the evaluations. Now we’re in the final stage of creating a visual presentation that can easily be implemented at school board meetings.

Once all this is finished, The Upledger Foundation will launch a two-day training class to teach healthcare practitioners precisely how to run this program. Our goal then is to fund the program, projected to cost about $5,000 each, at 10 elementary schools over the 2001-02 school year. We believe those results will help us bring the benefits of Compassionate Touch to schoolchildren around the world.

### Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder

We’ve received a lot of publicity this year for our successful intensive therapy programs addressing Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in Vietnam veterans. Now we’re moving into the next phase of development: addressing the needs of many other people who may suffer from PTSD.

Some of the most common causes of PTSD are found not on battlefields but in homes and schools across the country. Women who have been raped or battered. Children who have been kidnapped or molested. People who have suffered unspeakable acts, and until now have had to live with the results for years — and sometimes lifetimes.

Through clinical research and hands-on results, we have shown the efficacy of using CranioSacral Therapy and related modalities to relieve PTSD. Now we intend to help others benefit — but the costs are undeniably high. Each program requires about $10,000 per person, for a total of $60,000 per two-week program. Your contributions can make a real difference here.

### BioAquatic Explorations

Our BioAquatic Exploration programs aboard the Dolphin Star vessel are going beautifully. We now offer four classes structured for participants at different levels of experience — from the layperson to the advanced practitioner of CranioSacral Therapy.

Each four-day program is designed to help you develop a holistic, cooperative relationship with the ocean and its healing resources. It also brings an enhanced awareness of CranioSacral Therapy within the bioaquatic context. And each one begins with a structured dolphin swim, so therapists can explore the dynamics of dolphin-assisted therapy. [See "BioAquatic Exploration: An Adventure in Personal Discovery."]

The Upledger Foundation is also working on plans to reintroduce dolphin-assisted therapy. While all these projects cost a great deal to run, their educational and therapeutic value appears to be priceless.

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BioAquatic Exploration:
An Adventure in Personal Discovery

by Mariann Sisco, PT

The Upledger Foundation’s BioAquatic Explorations provide excellent opportunities to experience new dimensions in healing using CranioSacral Therapy. While exploring is essentially a personal process, I discovered in a recent Bahamas workshop aboard the Dolphin Star boat how that exploration occurs at many levels for each of us.

Seeing Ourselves in the Dolphins

The first day began with a structured swim with the dolphins. What a wonderful way to practice “being neutral.” That swim set the tone for the four days by allowing each of us to connect with the characteristics of the dolphins that resonated most deeply within us.

Many of my classmates were exhilarated by the joy and playfulness of the dolphins. Others found their own strength and ability to be in the moment expanding within them as they connected with those traits in the dolphins.

Day two began with a group discussion in which we all shared our intentions for the exploration. After the session we proceeded to the ocean where we performed “multihands” therapy in groups, much as we did for the remaining days. Yet as each day progressed, we began relating more like a pod of dolphins ourselves. We worked together, shared together, ate and played together, enjoying each other and the sense of community the environment brought out in us.

Inviting the Sea Into the Process

The therapeutic use of the water in multihands therapy was also unmatched. The sea allowed our bodies to assume more global, three-dimensional movements for releases that just aren’t available on a table.

At one point my own body began to move as if in a ballet, complete with gracious leaps through the sea. Others found that the water facilitated deep releases associated with the birth process. Indeed, the ocean seemed to accelerate the various stages of release, whether physical, emotional or spiritual. The result was deep healing with great ease. Noticeably absent was the struggle — a welcome change for us all.

The supportive energy of our pod also contributed to the effortlessness. As with all groups, we all saw some of ourselves in each other. Fortunately, when one heals, we all heal.

Bringing the Benefits Back Into Practice

After attending any Upledger seminar, we take the knowledge, bodily experience and inner healing back to our practices. Our skills move up a notch and our patients are the beneficiaries.

These seminars are known for their quality, in part because the teaching staff is so rigorously trained. Our instructor, Roy Desjarlais, LMT, CST-D, provided an incredible energetic space that allowed each of us to embrace, trust, surrender, and easily be in the moment. Our preceptor, Terry Kalayjian, LMT, held a space of safety for us to process our personal work. Even our skipper saw to it that we stayed out of harm’s way, both at sea and when docked.

The Upledger Foundation BioAquatic Exploration programs are offered for various levels of CST practitioners, from introductory to advanced. If you’re ready to experience a new level of excellence within yourself and have fun discovering it, this adventure is for you.

Enjoy. It’s time!

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| AZ: Tucson       | Nov. 16-18, '01     |
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## Study Groups

### Share Your Experiences and Sharpen Your Techniques in a Supportive Environment

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To receive an application to form a UI-approved study group, call 1-800-311-9204, ext. 89011. All study groups shown here were approved as of August 1, 2001. To have your group listed in our next newsletter, your application must be submitted to UI and approved no later than November 15, 2001.

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- AVM = Adv. Visceral Manipulation
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- CST = CranioSacral Therapy
- CST-D = CranioSacral Therapy for Pediatrics
- CSII = CranioSacral Therapy II
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- CSII = CranioSacral Therapy II
- OT = Ocean Therapy
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- SERI = SomatoEmotional Release I
- SERII = SomatoEmotional Release II
- TBS = The Brain Spaks
- VM = Visceral Manipulation
- VMIA = Visceral Manipulation IA
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Dear Friends,

It is with equal parts horror and hope that we reflect on the recent terrorist activity that’s taken place in the United States. While these tragedies feel almost surreal, we cannot overstate the very real toll they are taking on thousands of American families and, through them, millions of others worldwide.

It is true, our lives will be forever changed as a result of the actions of a few heartless fanatics. Yet even as we grieve the most horrendous attack ever to take place on American soil, we are uplifted by the outpouring of support we have received from around the world. Upledger friends from Canada to Switzerland, from Great Britain to Brazil, from Spain to Singapore and scores of countries in between have phoned and e-mailed us with their messages of hope, love and prayer.

Ironically, through this devastating tragedy, it appears we have all become united like never before. Please join us in taking that spark of hope and allowing it to light our path as we continue to place one foot in front of the other — more determined than ever to make our lives and those around us more meaningful.

With love and encouragement,

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— Swarn Khalsa, NCTMB, CST-D

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