Labs ~ Clinical ~ Objectives Presented by: Mark D. Emerson, DC, CCSP

- 1. Laboratory assessment numbers continue to increase each year as techniques and protocols improve. It is important for the DC to have a good baseline understanding of these tests and results. Part 2 gives insight into the clinical implications for these tests and clinical direction for the patient.
- 2. Part 2 is a more comprehensive look into blood lab analysis and results from a nutritional deficiency standpoint that are evaluated within the standard blood tests commonly ordered daily by MD's & DC's.
- 3. To be aware of abnormal values relating to the disease specific process that show on blood lab analysis. Help to determine appropriate referral pathway to specialist.
- 4. Clinical considerations of nutritional deficiencies and imbalances found on blood lab analysis for the detection of inflammation, hypertension, coronary artery disease, diabetes and digestive dysfunction.
- 5. To provide patients with nutritional strategies; implementing supplements, dietary changes and avoidance of high-risk foods or substances using blood lab findings. How the conservative chiropractic paradigm is an integral part of that decision based on their blood lab results.
- 6. Clinical reference points for deficiencies, conditions and specific nutrients.

Labs ~ Clinical ~ Outline

Hour 1-2:

- Overview of Standard Blood Tests that are commonly ordered daily by Healthcare providers.
- Understanding Lab Reporting; Reference Ranges, Normal, Abnormal Results
- Understanding Lab Results with nutritional considerations, high risk values and referral protocols for:
 - Complete Blood Count (CBC)
 - o Comprehensive Metabolic Panel (CMP)

Hour 3-4:

- Understanding Lab Results with nutritional considerations, high risk values and referral protocols for:
 - o Parathyroid Function
 - Renal Function
 - Liver Function
 - Pancreas Function
 - Vascular system arteries
 - o Immune system

Hour 5-6:

- Understanding Lab Results with nutritional considerations, high risk values and referral protocols for
 - Special Chemistry Values
 - o Inflammation
 - o Lipids
 - Arterial Evaluation
 - Gluten Intolerance Tests
 - o Intestinal Permeability Assessment
 - Nutrient Corollaries
 - o Test