

The following "Competency Rating" system (formerly known as the "Accreditation Program") information is provided from Jones Institute Newsletters, all on one page for your convenience. Be sure to review the entirety of this information for complete details of the program.



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## **New Competency Rating System** (formerly called Accreditation Program)

The Jones Institute will be adopting a new system of rating competency with the Counterstrain technique that will be used with the "Find a Practitioner"/ Referral Program of our website. The referral program is to assist patients searching for a Counterstrain practitioner in their area or a therapist needing to make a referral to a competent clinician in a different state or area.

This new system is called "**Competency Rating**" and Practitioners will now be rated on a 5 level basis.

- Level 1:** Any practitioner that has completed 3-5 JI Counterstrain courses including repeat courses
- Level 2:** Any practitioner that has completed 6 or more JI Counterstrain courses including repeat courses.
- Level 3:** Any practitioner that has completed 4 or more JI Counterstrain courses and has passed the short competency examination ( previously called accreditation exam). A classic Counterstrain and Fascial Counterstrain short competency exam are available and will need to be requested prior to scheduling your exam. Exams can be scheduled through Wendy at the Jones Institute and can be taken at JI course locations, administered by the instructor and through select JI certified therapists (JSCC).
- Level 4:** Any practitioner that has passed the classic Counterstrain certification exam (JSCC) or the soon to be announced Fascial Counterstrain certification exam. Must meet minimum class and years of use requirements to sit for the exam. Exams are 2 days and involve written and practical testing.
- Level 5:** Any Jones Institute Certified Instructor (JSCCI) or any practitioner that has passed both Classic and Fascial Counterstrain certification exams.

With the new Competency Rating system the Jones Institute website will better service the needs of patients in finding a competent clinician and the therapist looking for a more experienced practitioner to refer to or ask questions of. This new system will be part of our new website.



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## **Amended Requirements for Accreditation**

As previously announced on our JI Facebook page we have amended the minimum requirements to sit for the clinic accreditation test. Previously the requirements were SCS I, II, III and one Fascial SCS class (four total classes). We have now added SCS I or II, III and two Fascial SCS classes (four total classes) as another way to fulfill the minimum requirements for testing. This was done to accommodate the clinicians that have concentrated more on the Fascial SCS approaches.

Applications can still be printed from the JI home page; look for the "Forms To Be Printed" box. Completed applications can be faxed to 760-942-0645 or e-mailed to us at info@jiscs.com. Competency testing can be done at any SCS course or by any certified SCS practitioner. Accreditation testing requires an advance three week notice to schedule. To schedule your testing please send an email to info@jiscs.com or contact the JI office and let us know the course and location where you wish to take your test.

-Randy

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Director, Jones Institute*



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.....I am ecstatic about the number of Jones Institute accredited Counterstrain clinic applications we have received thus far. We have close to 100 applications with more coming each day. If you have applied you will be receiving a letter from us soon about competency testing at a course site to complete the process. We have redesigned our logo and are designing a wall plaque for your waiting room to indicate your accreditation as a Jones Institute Counterstrain clinic. If you have not applied yet the application form can be found on the home page of our website in the "Forms to Print" box or you may click the link here: <https://www.jiscs.com/PDFs/JonesInstituteAccreditationApplication.pdf>

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## **Jones Institute "SCS Clinics" Accreditation Program**

I am writing to you about an incredible opportunity that has been offered to the Jones Institute that could benefit you and Strain and Counterstrain (SCS). I and several other accomplished Counterstrainers have been treating a famous bestselling author, lecturer, media personality and life coach guru and he loves SCS. After decades of different types of bodywork he is sold on SCS and swears that it is the only approach that helps him out of his discomfort. He has over three and a half million loyal followers and wants to help us promote SCS to his people and to the public. He has offered the use of his publicist, offered to get us on the Dr. Oz show and would praise the technique at his seminars that have between 5,000 and 12,000 attendees. This of course would be invaluable in helping us achieve our goal of spreading SCS worldwide. To prepare for a potential onslaught of patients we are organizing a network of Jones Institute (JI) accredited "SCS Clinics" that we can confidently refer to as being competent in SCS.

The guidelines to becoming a JI accredited SCS clinic is:

- 1) If the owner of the clinic is a certified Counterstrainer (JSCC) than their clinic is automatically accredited.
  
- 2) If the owner of the clinic has taken at least JI classes SCS 1,2,3 (Spine, Extremities and Cranial) and one fascial SCS class (Viscera, Lymphatic-Venous or Arterial) and is a competent Counterstrainer then they can demonstrate their SCS skills to us by taking a basic skills test (written and practical) which can be taken at any JI sponsored class around the country. These participants would also be required to work toward certification in the future. Accredited clinics with employees that are not certified would be responsible for regular in house SCS training and getting these employees to JI SCS Classes.
  
- 3) If you are not certified and do not own your own clinic but meet the class requirements (as stated in number two above) than you can still apply to take the skills test and if you pass than we will accredit the individual and any patient that comes to your clinic through JI referral would have to be seen by the accredited individual.

It is our goal with the help of the previously mentioned celebrity to market SCS to the public and create patient curiosity, education and eventual demand for our technique. To maintain the reputation that SCS has as a powerful hands on approach applied by a trained medical professional the JI needs to make sure that all the patients seen by JI referral are treated by competent SCS practitioners. It is also our goal that you profit from your expertise by experiencing an increase in new patient flow. The plan is to have over 200 accredited clinics worldwide.

Here is the link to the "SCS Clinic Accreditation Application" which can also be found on the homepage of our website [www.jonesinstitute.com](http://www.jonesinstitute.com). Once complete follow the form instructions to send it to us. After we have had an opportunity to review your application we will contact you if we have any questions or to schedule the basic skills test.

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