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The Canada Games is a high level multi-sport event held every two years, alternating between the Canada Winter Games and the Canada Summer Games. Athletes are amateur only, and represent their province. February saw 3,000 of the best young athletes in Canada in Halifax, Nova Scotia for the 2011 Canada Winter Games.

A team of sports chiropractors served athletes at the polyclinic and the satellite clinic. However what was unique about these games was that Dr. Brian Seaman of Halifax, a member of the Board of Directors of the Royal College of Chiropractic Sports Sciences (Canada), served as Chair of Medical Services (CMS) for the Games.

This was the first time a chiropractor had served in the lead position for host medical services at the Canada Games. From the time of his appointment in August 2008 Dr. Seaman was responsible for all aspects of the host medical services, including selection of the Chief Medical Officer and manager of the polyclinic.

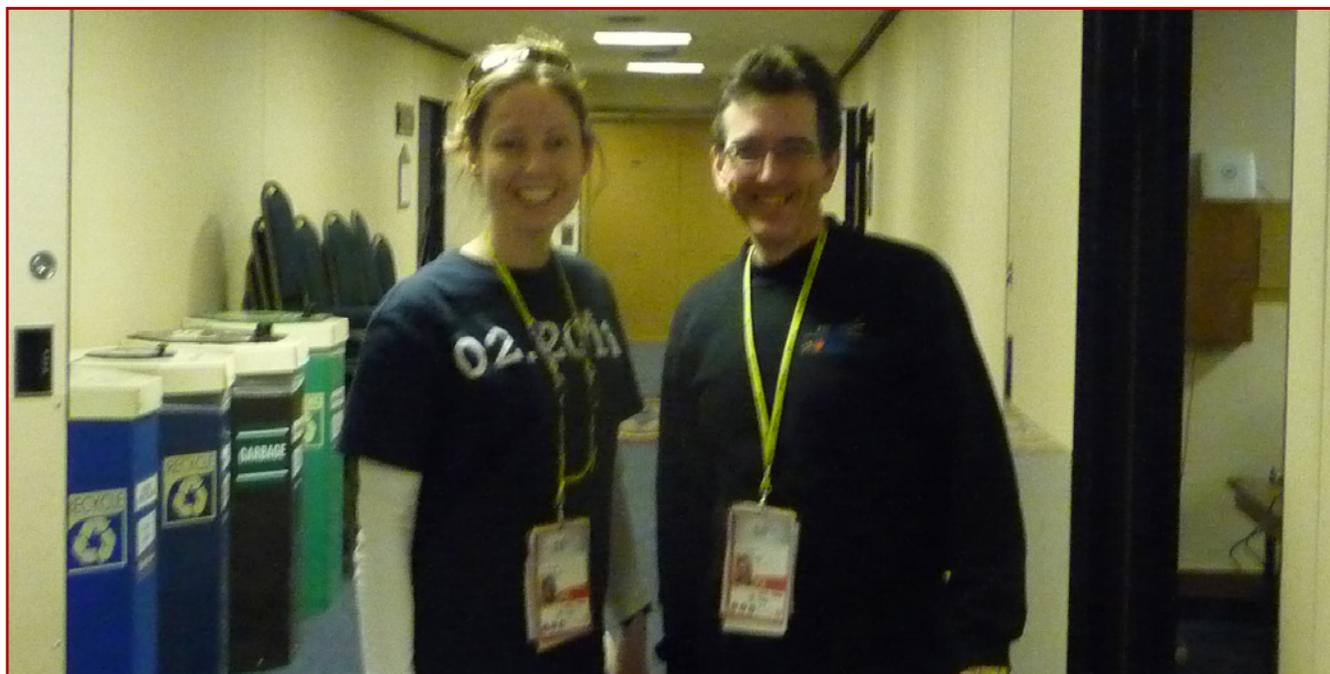
Dr. Seaman's performance, before and during the Games was seen as a complete success and drew praise from many quarters. In the words of RCCSS(C) President, Dr. Glen Harris in April:

"The RCCSS(C) congratulates Dr. Brian Seaman on his outstanding performance as Chair of Medical Services for the 2011 Canada Winter Games. Dr. Seaman's team was responsible for the healthcare services for almost 3,000 athletes plus another 1,500-2,000 support staff like coaches, managers and mission staff.

This was a tremendous commitment involving more than 275 meetings, spanning several years and is an unparalleled and extraordinary accomplishment for a chiropractic sports specialist. This is a first in chiropractic sports sciences history, to have a Fellow appointed as a Chair of Medical Services for a Canada Games.

The feedback from the Canada Games officials has been overwhelmingly positive and has been described as 'hit a home run'. We could not have selected another member from our organization, who would have been more suited for this undertaking, as Dr. Brian Seaman. Excellent work Brian!"

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Dr. Brian Seaman with Dr. Sonja McVeigh, Chief Medical Officer of the 2011 Canada Winter Games.