Shen Mantra's Thai Practitioner Code of Ethics Agreement

In order to receive your Diploma from our program, Shen Mantra requires that you agree to abide by and to uphold the following code of conduct of the Northern Thailand Shivago Lineage.

- 1. Study diligently the techniques and the practice of the massage. For our purposes, this means that you agree to keep your practice up to date by seeing clients regularly, practicing, or taking refresher courses. You agree not to perform massages if you are out of practice for an extended period of time.
- 2. Do not practice in a public place or in a place otherwise unsuitable for massage. For our purposes, this means that you agree to respect the privacy and the confidentiality of any and all clients you will see from now forward. You agree not to share any personal information given to you by anyone with anyone.
- 3. Do not ask for any gains.

For our purposes, this means that you agree to charge a fair price for a great service.

- 4. Do not take patients from another practitioner. For our purposes, this means that you agree not to charge money to a client who is working regularly with any of Shen Mantra's students, assistant teachers or teachers without consent.
- 5. Do not boast about your knowledge. For our purposes, this means that you agree not to represent yourself as anything other than a Thai Yoga massage practitioner/therapist. You agree not to claim teacher status without adequate training.
- 6. Ask advice and listen to people who know more than you. For our purposes, this means that you agree to continue to hone your skills as a practitioner by pursuing continuing education through courses, reading, and working with other practitioners. Your practice is a life-long pursuit of knowledge.
- 7. Bring a good reputation to the tradition of *nuad-boran* Thai massage For our purposes, this means that you agree to uphold this standard of ethics, and to refrain from any behaviour that would tarnish the reputation of Thai massage in this country. This includes refraining from any and all sexual massage, and also intoxication during massage.
- 8. Do not give certification in Thai massage to a person who is not qualified. For our purposes, this means that you agree not to teach Thai massage to any person unless certified as a teacher in a recognized teacher training course, and that as a teacher you will uphold the highest standards possible.
- 9. Give thanks to the Father Doctor before and after massage. For our purposes, this means that you agree to endeavour to maintain a spiritual approach to your healing practice, and to continually work through your practice for the betterment of your clients and mankind.