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Re: The Hour on December 4, 2007
George Stroumboulopoulos and his
interview with Adam Dreamhealer

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Dear Mr. Carlin:

This letter concerns the December 4, 2007 broadcast and cablecast of the CBC show *The Hour*, hosted by George Stroumboulopoulos. I believe that the CBC has allowed a charlatan to be interviewed on one of the CBC's most important programs.

The show was clearly biased and unfair in the way that Adam Dreamhealer, (his real name is Adam McLeod), and his family were portrayed. If you are going to do an interview, the first thing that he should have done is to ask simple questions. Some of them should have included:

1. Identify this man with a real name.
2. What are his professional qualifications?
3. Has he ever cured Ronnie Hawkins of "cancer" or anyone else for that matter?
4. Why has he refused testing by experts?

George's staff was contacted last week and they refused to reply at all to several experts in the field of quackery. One e-mail was from the famous author and investigator of health and faith-healing fraud James Randi. He offered McLeod a one-million dollar prize if they could prove his powers. George was also contacted by me about the various false claims that Adam has made over the years, and he ignored those.

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In addition, two unidentified clients who allegedly were helped greatly by Adam was never confirmed. These woman had chronic neurological conditions, and of course if you have MS, there can be fluctations in your condition. This was never challenged at all.

I personally know someone who went to see him in Vancouver a few years ago because of terminal cancer, and he didn't make it through the winter.

The show was totally one-sided. The usual bogus claims were made about curing Ronnie Hawkins of his non-proved pancreatic cancer, and of course his mother, Liz, has NEVER had another attack of trigeminal neuralgia and she no longer has MS because ADAM cured her by seeing a green-light inside her brain when he was 15 years-old or so.

What happened to the McLeod family's claims that after having been cured of trigeminal neuralgia and MS, Liz then developed a brain tumour? Why didn't George ask to see her about that, and look for the "scar" on her head?

Why didn't George ask to talk to the McLeod's daughter about all of this? Certainly there was zero attempt to do any research before the producer's taped. All the CBC crew did was to tape interviews of people who would gladly give testimonials. The fact that Adam says that there are hundreds of video clips, that are also testimonials, on his blog and web sites means diddly-squat.

The claim that Adam received all of his knowledge of the universe from a four-foot high black bird on Nootka island was never discussed. The bizarre stories about his ability to see energy and perform distant healing was never addressed.

The usual names were dropped about the famous people that he knows, the places he has spoken, and all of that. But, he was never asked once what happens to the thousands of suckers who have plunked down from \$99 to \$119 to attend his workshops.

A curious comment made by Adam was that he said that he doesn't care if he makes any money. The ABC TV show that aired earlier this year mentioned that Adam probably made over \$1 million over the last year or so. George never got an answer from Adam about this.

The show was strictly entertainment, but the CBC is owned by the people of Canada and they do have a responsibility to present a balanced picture on any topic. This was not balanced at all. The CBC made no attempt to interview anyone who has not been cured by Adam. The producers of the show made no attempt to respond to e-mails from scholars, researchers and others about the show prior to December 4th, or even since it aired.

Over and over again, he repeated the false notion that people can heal themselves with intent. The host never once asked for proof.

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The CBC claims that it has a duty to provide consistent, high-quality information upon which all citizens may rely. The Journalistic Standards and Practices provide the policy framework within which CBC journalism seeks to meet the expectations and obligations it faces.

I expect that your office will spend time reviewing the many complaints that you are going to receive about this program. I am looking forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Terry Polevoy, MD