National chiropractic legislation

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I was appalled to discover some of rhe items in the current proposals for national registration of the chiropractic profession.

In fact, there are so many aspects of that legislation that are appalling that I do not even know where to begin. And I am absolutely certain that many,many chiropractita and students would object to this legislation if they only knew about it

1. Why was a summary of the draft not emailed or sent out by post to ever chiropractor registered on the state boards to inform them about the monumental decisions being made about our profession - decisions that will dramatically affect chiropractic for many years to come

2. Why are many laws being put in place in regards to chiropractic that are mot required to be kept by other professions. Laws such as the requirement to post my clinic hours on a notice outside my clinic - perhaps 4 break ins in as many months might be a reason why I no longer put up such a notice - and what is going to be my "punishment" when I refuse to comply with that idiotic piece of legislation. And who is going to go around and check that every physiotherapy clinic, every dentist, every GP has a similiar notice on their front door - and if they don't need to do this, why is this being required of chiropractors. Perhaps your neighbourhood is supersafe, but many are not and hhis is probably the least important aspect of the legislation that I object to.

3. I don't know who wrote the draft, but the entire tone of the legislation is applling and demeaning. It is written in a " found guilty before anything has even been done" tone of voice. Totally appalling and biased against the profession right from the start. Any chiropractor that had a hand in writing that should be ashamed of themselves

4. The advertising restrictions are archaic - especially the inability to compare one type if therapy or treatment over another - so I am unable to quote on my website the efficiacy of SMT as opposed to medications or back schools or physiology or ear candling or whatever - how absurd is that, and who's interests doHattiehat best serve - certainly not potential patients and certainly not chiropractics. Then the inability to use a patients testimonial - have you guys ever looked on the net recently do a google search on shoulder injuries, BPC and a ton of other conditions - almost every physio website, surgeons, dentists medical specialists etc use them - again, another piece of the legislation that actually acts in the best interests of those that seek to curtain chiropractic

I could go on for hours - this legislation is appalling and needs to be discussed in much more detail by those that it affects the most - chiropractors and their patients

more time is needed and I for one strongly object to much of it

regards
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