RE: National Chiropractic Guidelines

Simo Jovic to NatBoards

Thank you for the extension of consultation period.
I understand and appreciate the tight time line that everyone is given in order to get the guidelines in by 1st July 2010. I appreciate the number of submissions that you have to process as such I wish to keep it simple and straight to the point.

I have found the specific code practice guidelines to be offensive, over reactive and demeaning to the whole profession of chiropractic. The reason being none of the other ten nationally registered professions have done this to their registrants. Why is my profession treated differently to others in particular physiotherapist / manipulative physiotherapist or osteopaths...

This year Chiropractic Masters at Macquarie Alumni are celebrating 20 years of modern chiropractic. I being a proud graduate am amazed that at this day and age the Chiropractic profession is being unfairly persecuted against.

It is a great concern at the haste and manner in which these guidelines lines have been rammed down our throats, which has made the whole process seem a sham.

The solution is simple. I would like to propose that a broad common code be adopted in line with the other health professions. This would be fair to all parties affected.

Kind regards,

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The current codes and guidelines were released on the Board's website on 10 March 2010 and the key stakeholders of the Board were notified on that day. It is acknowledged that the timeframe for consultation is tight; however these are the same for all of the national boards and are necessary to ensure that procedures are established to allow for implementation of the national scheme on 1 July 2010. The Board values the comments it receives through the consultation process and has agreed to the extension of the consultation period until ***5pm on 9 April 2010*** *, no further extensions will be possible.*

Each of the National Boards have developed a number of registration standards, codes and guidelines relevant for the specific profession, the Chiropractic Board of Australia determined in the first instance to develop a Code of Practice (based on existing varying codes of practice which exist in States and Territories), to be used in conjunction with the generic Code of Conduct. The Board will review the Code of Practice in the first year of the national scheme.