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I am writing to express my surprise and disappointment at the proposed code of practice for chiropractors put forward by the National Board for Chiropractors. I find the guidelines very restrictive, demeaning, cynical, and overbearing to any profession and I am having a hard time accepting that they are in the best interest of the public or the Chiropractic profession.

Furthermore, where was the notification to all Chiropractic registrants regarding the intended guidelines? I have found out about them only by chance on the eve of the deadline for any responses from the profession to be accepted and have no time to formulate a detailed response to each section addressed.

In my opinion the guidelines seem to addressing chiropractic as if it were the allopathic profession and does not take into account Chiropractic professional philosophy or the scientific rationale supporting chiropractic practice. The proposal seems to assume that chiropractors will by default conduct themselves in an unethical way and it appears that the role of the Board is simply to be a "watch dog" for the unsuspecting public who should be a aware of the tricks and traps from which they need to be protected.

In any and every profession lies the potential for abuse of privilege and position and therefore the need for a code of practice as currently exists that covers the health professions as a whole. I find it difficult to see why the Chiropractic profession has been deemed worthy of a further specific code of practice.

My opinion is that the code is excessive and unnecessary and damaging to the profession and the public and should be removed from consideration by the National Board for Chiropractors.

Sincerely,

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