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National Guidelines for Chiropractic Registration?

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Dear Dr. Donato,

We wish to make a contribution to the development of chiropractic and the new guidelines. We are happy to see national registration is coming into effect, however we differ in opinion on some points raised as follows.

* Working with children- Our practice sees many children and in my 21 years of practice we see amazing results with a diverse range of health problems. I acknowledge the amount of research supporting the link between Chiropractic care and health in children is relatively limited. However, there is a vast amount of clinical evidence together with an ever increasing knowledge of the value of neurological health in whole health.

* Xray Screening- In my opinion, I have found it to be unsafe and unwise to treat adult clients without recent screening X-rays'.

I acknowledge that the cost benefit for children is different. Our practice policy is that children under 16 require significant pathological concerns to justify an Xray.

* Professional obligations- I realise it is important to inform a client of any procedures that involve risks, however, to publish this in advertising can be misconstrued as to the real risks to the public.

* Working with the broader community- Chiropractors should always act in a professional manner, and if a client appears ready to make a commitment to their health, I believe that they should be able to book an appointment during a promotion. As long as they are motivated and not scared, the client should have the convenience to book on the spot.

*Chiropractors who breach professional privilege in a promotional setting should be disciplined by the registration board.

Between the Margaret River and Karrinyup Wellness Centres, we have seven chiropractors who share these views. I would be more than happy to discuss these issues at any time.

Please feel free to contact me directly on 0409 684 024 or my associate Alex Siegwart on 0405 298 793

Kind Regards,

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