Code of professional conduct for chiropractors 9th April 2010

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Submission to Chiropractors Board of Australia

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The Code of Conduct for Registered Health Professionals is well written, articulate, open and positive in its framing and a chance to further our professional standards across all the health professions.

The Code of Professional Conduct for Chiropractors is poorly written, restrictive, insular and negative in it framework.

It is an amalgam of codes from many frustrated state boards working to remove rogue elements from the profession and its inclusion will only hamper the proper development of new and necessary guidelines as the challenges confronting the new Board, functioning under new legislation, become apparent. It will restrict the Board's ability to be creative, innovative and proactive in finding new solutions to old problems, and will in fact transfer many, diverse and at times incompatible old solutions on to the new board.

I would respectfully suggest that the entire Code of Professional Conduct for Chiropractors be removed and that the Code of Conduct for Registered Health Professionals be used as the basis for the development of a profession specific code if and when the new Board deems one to be necessary.

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