Attention: Chair, Chiropractic Board of Australia

I would like to comment on the second draft of the proposed codes and guidelines for chiropractors and also give reference to two responses – one from Dr Mark Postles and one from Dr Gordon Benz, with whom share my sentiment on this matter.

It appears self evident that these codes and guidelines are aimed at other agendas, quite different to governing good practice of chiropractors. If it was the latter then this document would have clear guidelines with clear definitions and no ambiguity, as commented in both Dr Mark Postles and Dr Gordon Benz's responses.

As I am giving reference to both responses, I support all statements made by both Dr Postles and Dr Benz I will not review the same material. I would however like to re-state my concern from my first response, that given these guidelines, I and the rest of the chiropractic profession will be prevented from practicing chiropractic and force chiropractic into a medical "sick" care model, to which it fits like a coke can into a fresh ear piercing. It disturbs me that the many chiropractic families already under care will face these harsh consequences with little or no choice in the matter. Does evidenced based care not take into account the preference of the client? Or are the authors referring to evidence on a "need to back up their agenda" basis.

I am concerned chiropractic will become extinct at the hands of someone who has no understanding of the science and philosophy and art of my life that brings me purpose each day. If the authors of these guidelines had an understanding of chiropractic then they would not be forcing Chiropractic to fit into a medical model/political agenda which is based on symptoms and not of the long term cause and prevention of disease.

Will these same or similar guidelines be directed to the chair of the Chiropractic Registration Board to protect chiropractors from their personal or political agenda?

My desire is to have most if not all of these guidelines erased and new board members elected who have not been tainted by political or personal agendas.

Yours Sincerely

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