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DOCTOR/PATIENT RELATIONSHIP IN CHIROPRACTIC

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It is important to recognize the difference between Chiropractic and medicine. They both may be important to your health but for entirely different reasons. Chiropractors seek to restore health through natural means and without the use of medicine or surgery. Although a medical diagnosis may be of great importance to a patient, such diagnosis does not necessarily assist the Chiropractor in his efforts. The Chiropractor's purpose is to restore health through the natural flow of energy in the nervous system. This gives the body maximum opportunity to heal itself. The success of Chiropractic procedures often depends upon underlying causes and conditions. It is important to understand what to expect from Chiropractic and medical services in order that you, the patient, can determine whether either or both may be of benefit to you.

ANALYSIS

A Chiropractor conducts a Chiropractic analysis for the express purpose of determining whether there is evidence of spinal subluxations. When such subluxations are found, Chiropractic adjustments are given to restore proper spinal alignment. It is the Chiropractic premise that proper spinal alignment allows free nerve flow throughout the body and gives the body its best chance to restore health. Due to the complexities of nature, no Chiropractor can promise you specific results. This depends upon the recuperative powers of the body.

DIAGNOSIS

Every Chiropractic patient should be mindful of his own symptoms and secure medical opinion if he has any concerns as to the nature of his illness or injury. Your Doctor of Chiropractic may express an opinion as to whether or not you should take this step, but you should take the initiative if in doubt.

CHIROPRACTIC ADJUSTMENTS

The patient, in coming to the Chiropractor, given the Chiropractor permission and authority to adjust him in accordance with the Chiropractic analysis. The Chiropractic adjustment is usually beneficial and seldom causes any problems. In rare cases, underlying physical defects, deformities or pathology may render the patient susceptible to injury. The Chiropractor, of course, will not give a Chiropractic adjustment if he is aware that such condition exists.

RESULT

The purpose of Chiropractic services is to promote health through the release of maximum nervous energy. Since there are so many variables, it is difficult to predict the time schedule and efficiency of Chiropractic procedures. Sometimes the response is phenomenal. In some cases, there is a more gradual but quite satisfactory response. Occasionally, the results are mediocre and dismal. Two or more similar conditions may respond differently to the same Chiropractic care. Many medical failures find quick relief through Chiropractic. In turn, we must admit that conditions which do not respond Chiropractically may come under control or even be cured through medical science. The fact is, the sciences of Chiropractic and medicine may never be so exact as to provide definite answers to many problems. Both have made great strides in alleviating pain and controlling disease.

QUESTIONS

The patient should discuss any questions or problems with the Doctor before signing the Statement of Policy and fully understand that if care is suspended or terminated, any fees for professional services rendered will be immediately due and payable. Returned checks and balances older than 30 days may be subject to additional collection fees, attorney fees, court costs and interest charges of 1 ½% per month. X-rays will remain the property of this office. If necessary, copies will be made for a charge of \$5.00 per plate which covers duplicating film expense.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I have read the foregoing and understand it. Signed this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

SIGNATURE _____