



Terms of Acceptance – Informed Consent for Care

When patients seek chiropractic care, and when we accept patients for such care, it is essential that we are all working towards the same goal to prevent confusion or misunderstandings. It is therefore important that the patient understands the goal and the means used to attain it.

The goal of chiropractic is to find vertebral misalignments that interfere with the nervous system's proper function (vertebral subluxations), and to remove that interference so that the body can heal naturally.

These interferences to the nervous system are removed by means of chiropractic adjustments, an application of specific and well directed forces over the spine, by hand or by instrument, with the goal of restoring normal nerve function, improving brain-body connection, and optimizing health.

The results of chiropractic care in most people are phenomenal. However, the time necessary to get those results may vary. Since there are so many variables, it is difficult to predict the time schedule and efficiency of chiropractic procedures. In most people, health returns quickly. In some, there is a more gradual response. The speed of your return to health or performance improvement is dependent on your physical condition, fractures and, the rarest, vertebral artery injuries that could lead to a stroke.

Prior to receiving chiropractic care in this office, a health history and physical examination will be completed to assess your specific condition, your overall health and in particular, your spine/nervous system health. These procedures will assist us in determining if chiropractic care is needed, or if any further examinations or studies are required. In addition, they will help us determine if there is any reason to modify your care or provide you with a referral to another health care provider. All relevant findings will be reported to you along with a care plan prior to beginning care.

This office does not engage in the medical practice of diagnosis or treatment of disease. Regardless of what the disease is, we do not offer to treat it. Our only practice objective is to remove nerve interference so the body can heal itself naturally. Our only methods are specific adjustments to correct vertebral subluxations. However we may use other procedures to help your body maintain proper alignment and brain-body communication.

I _____ have read the above, understand it fully, and undertake chiropractic care on this basis.

Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____