

Objectives

Course Title: Neurology 210c

Subtitle: Title: Chiropractic Subluxation: A Neurologists Perspective

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CE: Two (6) Classroom Hours

Format: Live Lecture Class with Audience Feedback Devices

Class Description:

This is a live class for chiropractic doctor's as a part of their continuing education. The class explores the subluxation from the most practical point of view. What is a subluxation? How is it identified and how is it properly documented to exist. Who treats it and how is it treated. What physical factors are essential for compliance with Federal Medicare Guidelines. Personal response devices ("clickers") are used by class participants to add an interactive aspect to the program. Personal opinions of the speaker are inserted to put a provider's perspective as a practicing chiropractic neurologist for over 25 years. The idea that a subluxation is equivalent to a mini or micro analgic reaction is elaborated.

Class Objectives:

List and discuss the various definitions of the term subluxation.

List and discuss terms used by other health professions for a similar clinical syndrome.

List and discuss the various definitions of spinal adjustment, manipulation, and mobilization.

List and discuss therapies used by other health professions for similar clinical syndromes.

Describe and summarize the Maintland Classification.

Itemize scientific evidence regarding physiologic studies regarding subluxations.

Explain how and why documentation of a subluxation is so important for Medicare patients in chiropractic practice.

Define requirements for chiropractic services to be covered by Medicare.

List and discuss how a subluxation may be properly documented in the medical record for Medicare patients.

Evaluate your understanding of subluxation compared to other chiropractic providers.

List the various types of subluxation which may be demonstrated on xray and are acceptable to Medicare.

List the components of the physical examination which are required by Medicare to be demonstrated in order to verify the existence of a subluxation.

Compare and contrast Organic versus non-organic disease.

Draw out synovial joint anatomy, with emphasis on bony facet joint structure, ligamentous and muscular layers and types of joint receptors found in each layer.

List types and functions of various joint receptors and associated nerve fibers.

Itemize various links between chiropractic diagnostic and adjustive techniques and currently accepted information on joint innervation.

Discuss x-ray and examination findings consistent with antalgic response and categorize subluxations as macro, mini and micro antalgia.

Describe concepts of wind up, central sensitization and long term potentiation in relation to lower back pain.

List and discuss the functional role of muscles.

List and discuss advocated theories of subluxation.