

WV Board of Chiropractic Examiners

NEWSLETTER

January 2025

*'Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year...
This new day is too dear, with its hopes and invitations, to waste a moment on the yesterdays.'*

Ralph Waldo Emerson

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Dr. Steve Eddy, who has been appointed to our Board for his initial term, currently serving as Secretary!

And Thank You to Dr. Terry Chambers, who served as our Board's Investigative Officer until his term's expiration, June 30th, 2024!

Thank you to our Board Members for their expertise and dedication to the Chiropractic profession!

Congratulations to 2024 Licensees!

Dr. Emilie Jedamski

Dr. Ereik Gillespie

Dr. Karim Eissa

Dr. Kelsey Martin

Dr. Lee Willis

Dr. Milayns Rivera

Dr. Tyler Kaye

Dr. Zachary Knowlton

POLICY UPDATE

The Board recently updated its policy regarding Dry Needling as follows:

- 1) Licensee must complete a course approved by the West Virginia Board of Chiropractic. The course must include at a minimum of 24 hours of in-person instruction and cover topics such as proper hygiene, needle use and patient selection.
- 2) Licensee must be able to provide written documentation of their training, including certification.
- 3) Licensee must perform dry needling directly and not delegate it to others.

LICENSE RENEWALS

2024–2025 Continuing Education License Renewal Requirements

ALL licensees must complete 18 hours annually for renewal!

In-Person CE's	12
In-Person or Online CE's	6
Total CE's	18

BOARD MEMBERS

Holly L. Harvey, DC
Chairman

Karl C. Boone, DC
Vice Chairman

Jeffrey L. Summers, DC
Investigative Officer

Steve L. Eddy, DC
Secretary

Ruth R. Lemmon
Public Member

BOARD STAFF

Amy B. Farley
Executive Director

IMPORTANT DATES

February 6, 2025
Quarterly Board Meeting &
Jurisprudence Exam

April 14, 2025
Renewal Applications
Mailed

May 2025 (Date TDB)
Quarterly Board Meeting

June 27, 2025
Application Deadline for
August Jurisprudence Exam

June 30, 2025
Renewal Applications Due

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

You've asked, we've answered!

Find this list of FAQ's on our website, www.boc.wv.gov!

<i>Question</i>	How do I start a Chiropractic practice?	<i>Related Code</i>
<i>Answer</i>	Contact the WV Secretary of State's Office (https://sos.wv.gov/business/Pages/Licensing.aspx) The application for business licensing includes a "Verification of Eligibility" form that must be sent to the Board office for verification, and will be returned to you for submission with your business license application to the SOS office.	§30-16-21 §4-1-16 §4-04
<i>Question</i>	What are the requirements for Patient Record Retention? What should I do with patient records if I close my office?	<i>Check for more information:</i>
<i>Answer</i>	The Board does not regulate patient record retention; however, the general rule of thumb is 10 years. Be sure to contact the patient's insurance provider for more information.	<i>Private Insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, etc.</i> <i>Malpractice</i>
<i>Question</i>	Will the Board consider counting live-stream continuing education as "in-person" hours?	
<i>Answer</i>	No.	
<i>Question</i>	How can I become certified in Animal Adjusting?	
<i>Answer</i>	Animal adjusting by a licensed chiropractor in the state of West Virginia is prohibited.	
<i>Question</i>	Where may I find answers to questions about insurance, codes, and reimbursements?	
<i>Answer</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attend continuing education courses 2. Visit www.cms.gov to find codes for reimbursement 3. Contact the WV Chiropractic Society 	

CAUTION IN ADVERTISING!

The primary responsibility and obligation of the West Virginia Board of Chiropractic is to protect the public.

As Chiropractors, it's your responsibility to protect the reputation of the your profession, your practice, and yourself.

It is imperative that any advertising, including but not limited to, practice websites and social media, portray services within the scope of the chiropractic profession.

Things to remember...

Public Perception is important! Don't over-promise and under-deliver.

Chiropractors **do not cure** illnesses or diseases. (§30-16-11.6)

Claims of professional superiority or uniqueness may not be used unless deemed professionally appropriate by the Board. (§4-1-6.4)

If you have questions about advertising, please contact the Board office!

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