

Chapter Chir 9

CHIROPRACTIC PRECEPTORSHIP

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Chir 9.01 Definitions. In this chapter:

(1) “Chiropractic student” means a student of an approved college of chiropractic who is eligible for graduation from the college of chiropractic but for completion of a preceptorship period.

(2) “Chiropractor preceptor” means a chiropractor licensed and practicing in Wisconsin pursuant to ch. 446, Stats., who accepts a chiropractic student into his or her practice for the purpose of providing the chiropractic student with a clinical experience of the practice of chiropractic.

(3) “Graduate chiropractor” means a person who has received a doctor of chiropractic degree from a college of chiropractic approved by the board, but who has not taken any licensing examination the results of which have been declared by a licensing authority.

(4) “Preceptorship practice” means the chiropractic practice of a single chiropractor or group of chiropractors in a particular business or clinic, into which a licensed, practicing chiropractor has accepted a chiropractic student for the limited purpose of providing the chiropractic student with a clinical experience in the practice of chiropractic.

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Chir 9.02 Unlicensed practice by chiropractic students and graduate chiropractors. The board may approve the unlicensed practice of chiropractic in this state by a bona fide student of a chiropractic college which offers an approved preceptorship program, if the chiropractic college preceptorship program, the chiropractor preceptor and the practice of chiropractic by the student meet the criteria established by the board. The board may approve the unlicensed practice of chiropractic in this state by a graduate chiropractor in an approved postgraduate chiropractic preceptorship program, if the postgraduate chiropractic preceptorship program, the chiropractor preceptor and the practice of chiropractic by the graduate chiropractor meet the criteria established by the board.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1994, No. 462, eff. 7-1-94.

Chir 9.03 Approved chiropractic college preceptorship programs. The board shall approve a chiropractic college preceptorship program which includes all of the following criteria:

(1) Is operated by a chiropractic college approved by the board. The board shall consider whether the college is accredited by the council on chiropractic education, and shall also consider the degree of consumer protection provided by the defined standards and practices of the chiropractic college’s preceptor program, as well as degree of consumer protection demonstrated by the actual operation of the chiropractic college’s preceptor program.

(2) Is an established component of the curriculum of the chiropractic college.

(3) Certifies to the board, on forms supplied by the department:

(a) That all students who participate in the preceptorship program are in the last semester, trimester, or quarter of their educa-

tion, and have met all requirements for graduation from the chiropractic college except for completion of the preceptorship period, and

(b) That no chiropractor who is a preceptor shall supervise more than one chiropractic student.

(4) Certifies to the board, on forms supplied by the department, that all chiropractors who participate as preceptors are faculty of the chiropractic college.

(5) Certifies to the board, on forms supplied by the department, that the chiropractor preceptor and the chiropractic student have agreed on the goals of the preceptor program to be completed by the chiropractic student.

Note: Forms may be obtained upon request from the Department of Safety and Professional Services, 1400 East Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, Wisconsin 53708.

(6) Provides a list to the board at least 45 days prior to every trimester or academic quarter of the chiropractors in Wisconsin who will be acting as preceptors in the program.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1994, No. 462, eff. 7-1-94; am. (6), Register, July, 1996, No. 487, eff. 8-1-96; CR 03-082: am. (3) (intro.), (4) and (5) Register July 2004 No. 583, eff. 8-1-04.

Chir 9.04 Approved postgraduate preceptorship programs. The board shall approve a preceptorship program for the training of graduate chiropractors which meets all of the following criteria:

(1) Is operated by a chiropractic college approved by the board. The board shall consider whether the college is accredited by the council on chiropractic education, and shall also consider the degree of consumer protection provided by the defined standards and practices of the chiropractic college’s preceptor program, as well as degree of consumer protection demonstrated by the actual operation of the chiropractic college’s preceptor program.

(2) Is an established postgraduate program of the chiropractic college.

(3) Certifies to the board, on forms supplied by the board:

(a) That all graduate chiropractors who participate in the postgraduate preceptorship program have graduated from a college of chiropractic approved by the board, and

(b) That no chiropractor who is a preceptor shall supervise more than one graduate chiropractor.

(4) Certifies to the board, on forms supplied by the board, that all chiropractors who participate as preceptors are faculty of the chiropractic college.

(5) Certifies to the board, on forms supplied by the board, that the chiropractor preceptor and graduate chiropractor have agreed on the goals of the preceptor program to be completed by the graduate chiropractor.

Note: Forms may be obtained upon request from the Department of Safety and Professional Services, 1400 East Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, Wisconsin 53708.

(6) Provides a list to the board 45 days prior to every trimester or academic quarter of the chiropractors in Wisconsin who will be acting as preceptors in the program.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1994, No. 462, eff. 7-1-94; am. (6), Register, September, 1999, No. 525, eff. 10-1-99.

Chir 9.05 Approved chiropractor preceptors. The board shall approve a chiropractor to be a chiropractor preceptor if the chiropractor meets all of the following conditions:

(1) Certifies to the board, on forms supplied by the department, that:

(a) The chiropractor preceptor has been continuously licensed in Wisconsin for the previous 5 years, and that there are no pending disciplinary actions or malpractice claims against the chiropractor preceptor in any state or country. If any discipline has ever been imposed in any state or country on any professional license held by the preceptor, the preceptor shall provide details of the discipline for the board's review.

(b) The chiropractor preceptor is a member of the faculty of the chiropractic college from which the chiropractor preceptor will accept a chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor into a preceptorship practice.

(c) The chiropractor preceptor is responsible for the practice of the chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor the chiropractor preceptor accepts into a preceptorship practice.

(d) The chiropractor preceptor will identify the chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor to the patients of the preceptorship practice in such a way that no patient will tend to be misled as to the status of the chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor, and that each patient or parent or guardian of each patient will be required to provide informed consent to treatment of that patient by the chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor.

(e) The chiropractor preceptor will supervise no more than one chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor at any one time.

(f) The chiropractor preceptor will exercise direct, on-premises supervision of the chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor at all times during which the chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor is engaged in any facet of patient care in the chiropractor preceptor's clinic.

Note: Forms may be obtained upon request from the Department of Safety and Professional Services, Chiropractic Examining Board, 1400 East Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, Wisconsin 53708.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1994, No. 462, eff. 7-1-94; CR 03-082: am. (1) (intro.) and (a) Register July 2004 No. 583, eff. 8-1-04.

Chir 9.06 Termination of preceptorship. (1) A preceptorship shall terminate upon the occurrence of the earliest applicable of the following events:

(a) A chiropractic student participating in a preceptorship program graduates from the college of chiropractic operating the program.

(b) A graduate chiropractor participating in a postgraduate preceptorship program is declared to have passed or failed a chiropractic licensing examination by any licensing authority or the national board.

(c) Six months have passed since the graduate chiropractor graduated from a college of chiropractic.

(d) A chiropractor preceptor is formally charged with a criminal offense, the circumstances of which substantially relate to the practice of chiropractic.

(e) A chiropractor preceptor is formally alleged to have violated the statutes or administrative rules pertaining to the practice of chiropractic.

(f) A chiropractor preceptor is formally complained against in a civil action for malpractice.

(2) If a preceptorship is terminated under sub. (1) (d), (e) or (f), the board may approve a replacement preceptor proposed by the chiropractic student or graduate chiropractor who satisfies the requirements in s. Chir 9.05 (1) (a) and (c) to (f). The proposed chiropractor preceptor need not have been listed by the chiropractic college operating the preceptorship program.

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