Occupational Licensing Study
50 State Comparison

State Board of Chiropractic

Chiropractor

Presented by the Pennsylvania Department of State
2020
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A licensed practitioner of chiropractic.

Chiropractic is a branch of the healing arts dealing with the relationship between the articulations of the vertebral column, as well as other articulations, and the neuro-musculoskeletal system and the role of these relationships in the restoration and maintenance of health. The term shall include systems of locating misaligned or displaced vertebrae of the human spine and other articulations; the examination preparatory to the adjustment or manipulation of such misaligned or displaced vertebrae and other articulations; the adjustment or manipulation of such misaligned or displaced vertebrae and other articulations; the furnishing of necessary patient care for the restoration and maintenance of health; and the use of board-approved scientific instruments of analysis, including X-rays.
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Degree Requirement

Examination Requirement

Degrees:
- Doctorate

States with 1 required examination
- States with 2 required examinations

2020
Training / Experience Requirement

*All chiropractors must complete a practicum in order to obtain their doctorate degree.

Continuing Education Requirement

* To allow for comparison, CE requirements have been adjusted to 2-year reporting cycles.
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**Initial Licensing Fee**

- **LOWEST:** $25.00 (Pennsylvania)
- **MEDIAN:** $250.00
- **HIGHEST:** $700.00 (New Mexico)

*Initial licensing fee comparison excludes examination fees, background check fees, and fingerprinting fees.

**Renewal Fees**

- **LOWEST:** $100.00 (Indiana)
- **MEDIAN:** $389.50
- **HIGHEST:** $1,140.00 (Connecticut)

*To allow for comparisons, all fees have been adjusted to biennial renewal cycles.

*CO is excluded from the calculations for the average and median because Chiropractors are notified at the time of renewal what the fee is and it is not public knowledge.
## States with Reciprocity or Endorsement

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*Alaska, Minnesota, North Carolina, North Dakota, and Texas do not specifically state endorsement or reciprocity, but state that they license through "credentials" and "substantial equivalency".

**Act 41, signed by Governor Wolf on July 2, 2019, allows for portability of out-of-state professional licensees coming to work in Pennsylvania. Act 41 does this by granting all boards and commissions within the Commonwealth the authority to immediately endorse licensees from other states, territories or jurisdictions (with substantially equivalent licensing requirements) who are active, in good standing and without discipline against their license or criminal conviction. If a licensee comes from a jurisdiction that does not have substantially equal requirements for licensure, then the boards/commissions may grant a provisional licenses for a period of such time to allow the new resident to meet the necessary requirements, allowing them access to gainful employment in the interim.
The Following State Regulate Chiropractor Assistants

Alaska
Arizona
Florida
*Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Mississippi
Nevada
New Jersey
North Carolina
North Dakota
Oklahoma
Oregon
South Dakota
Tennessee

* Certificate of chiropractic assistants to perform chiropractic x-ray functions.

States that do not have an individual Chiropractic Licensing Board or Commission

Illinois - State Medical Licensing Board
Kansas – Board of Healing Arts
Virginia - Board of Medicine
Alabama
http://www.chiro.state.al.us/

Alaska
https://www.alaskachiropracticsociety.com/

Arizona
https://chiroboard.az.gov/

Arkansas
http://www.arkansas.gov/asbce/

California
https://www.chiro.ca.gov/

Colorado
https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Chiropractic

Connecticut

Delaware
https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/chiropractic/

District of Columbia
https://health.maryland.gov/chiropractic/Pages/index.aspx

Florida
https://floridaschiropracticmedicine.gov/

Georgia
https://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/14

Hawaii
https://www.pvl/boards/chiropractor/

Idaho

Illinois
https://www.idph.gov/licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Chiropractic

Indiana
https://www.in.gov/pla/chiro.htm

Iowa
https://idph.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Chiropractic

Kansas
http://www.ksbha.org/professions/DC.shtml

Kentucky
https://kbce.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx

Louisiana
http://www.lachiropracticboard.com/

Maine

Maryland
https://health.maryland.gov/chiropractic/Pages/index.aspx

Massachusetts
https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-chiropractors

Michigan
https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334,72600,72603,27529,27531---,00.html

Minnesota
https://www.mn.gov/boards/chiropractic-examiners/

Mississippi
https://www.msbe.ms.gov/secure/index.aspx

Missouri
https://pr.mo.gov/chiropractors.asp

Montana
http://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/chi

Nebraska
http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Chiropractic.aspx

Nevada
http://chirobd.nv.gov/

New Hampshire
https://www.nh.gov/health/chiropractic

New Jersey
https://www.nj.gov/health/chiropractic

New Mexico
http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/chiropractic-board.aspx

New York
http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/chiro/

North Carolina
https://ncchiroboard.com/

North Dakota
https://www.ndsbce.org/

Ohio
https://chirobd.ohio.gov/

Oklahoma
https://www.ok.gov/chiropracticboard/

Oregon
https://www.oregon.gov/obce/Pages/index.aspx

Pennsylvania
https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Chiropractic/Pages/default.aspx

Rhode Island
https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=250

South Carolina
https://llr.sc.gov/chiro/

South Dakota
https://dchealth.sd.gov/service/board-chiropractic

Tennessee
https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/chiro-board.html

Texas
https://www.tbce.state.tx.us/

Utah
https://dpl.utah.gov/chiro/index.html

Vermont
https://governor.vermont.gov/boards_and_commissions/chiropractic

Virginia
https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/medicine/medicine_forms.htm

Washington
https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificate/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/Chiropractor/Licenserequirements

West Virginia
https://boc.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx

Wisconsin
https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/BoardsCouncils/Chiropractic/Default.aspx

Wyoming
https://chiropractic.wyo.gov/