



Team Lopez Chiropractic

Terms of Acceptance

When a patient seeks chiropractic health care, and when a chiropractor accepts a patient for such care, it is essential that they both seek and work towards the same goal.

Chiropractic has one goal. It is important that a patient understand this goal and the means that will be used to attain it. In this way there will be no confusion, misunderstanding or disappointment.

Patients usually want their conditions, ailments or symptoms treated. This is not the main goal of the chiropractor. The purpose of chiropractic is to restore and maintain the integrity of the spinal cord and its nerve roots. These vital nerve pathways are housed in and protected by the bones of the spine. Tiny misalignments of the bones of the spine, which interfere with the function of the nerve pathways, are called *subluxations*. They come from many causes and prevent the body from working properly.

By means of a chiropractic adjustment, *subluxations* are corrected, restoring normal nerve function. The goal of chiropractic is to correct these *subluxations* so that every part of the body may have a proper nerve supply at all times. This allows the innate healing ability of the body to work at maximum efficiency.

With proper nerve supply, health improves. In some, symptoms clear up quickly. For others, the process is slower: in some cases it is only partial or none at all.

Regardless of the disease, the chiropractor is not offering to heal, treat or cure it. His or Her goal is to allow the body to do its job as best it can without nerve interference. This goal is accomplished by the correction of the vertebral *subluxation*.

The chiropractic examination and adjustment are not substitutes for other types of health care, just as other types of care do not take the place of chiropractic.

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

X _____
Patient

X _____
Dr. Lopez