

## Definition of Chiropractic

### Deutsch

Die Chiropraktik ist ein universitärer Medizinalberuf, der sich mit dem Bewegungsapparat befasst. Chiropraktorinnen und Chiropraktoren sind Fachpersonen in der Diagnostik, Behandlung und Prävention mechanischer Störungen des Bewegungsapparates und deren Auswirkungen auf die Funktion des Nervensystems und die allgemeine Gesundheit. Ein Schwerpunkt liegt auf manuellen Behandlungstechniken einschliesslich der Gelenkmanipulation.

### Français

La chiropratique est une profession médicale universitaire s'intéressant au système musculo-squelettique. Les chiropraticiens sont experts dans le diagnostic, le traitement et la prévention des troubles mécaniques du système musculo-squelettique et de leurs conséquences sur le fonctionnement du système nerveux et sur la santé générale. L'accent est mis sur les techniques de traitement manuel, y compris la manipulation articulaire.

### Italiano

La chiropratica è una professione medica universitaria che si occupa del sistema muscoloscheletrico. I chiropratici sono esperti nella diagnosi, nel trattamento e nella prevenzione dei disturbi meccanici del sistema muscoloscheletrico e delle loro conseguenze sul funzionamento del sistema neurologico e sulla salute generale. L'accento è posto sulle tecniche di trattamento manuale, compresa la manipolazione articolare.

### English

Chiropractic is a university-based medical profession concerned with the musculoskeletal system. Chiropractors are experts in the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of mechanical disorders of the musculoskeletal system and the effect of those disorders on the function of the nervous system and on general health. There is an emphasis on manual treatment techniques including joint manipulation.



### **ECU Definition**

Chiropractic is a profession of healthcare specialists concerned with the musculoskeletal system. Chiropractors undergo extensive education and training, usually in a university setting, involving the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of mechanical disorders of the musculoskeletal system and the effect of those disorders on the function of the nervous system and on general health. There is an emphasis on manual techniques including joint adjustment and/or manipulation, with a particular focus on subluxations.

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### **WFC Definition**

A health profession concerned with the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of mechanical disorders of the musculoskeletal system, and the effects of these disorders on the function of the nervous system and general health. There is an emphasis on manual treatments including spinal adjustment and other joint and soft-tissue manipulation.

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