



Chiropractic Board
Visiting chiropractors Policy

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1. VISITING CHIROPRACTORS

1.1. Visiting Chiropractic Educator/Researcher Policy

Introduction

The Board understands that quality chiropractic education and research is a vital necessity to ensure the profession continues to enhance its knowledge base. To facilitate this activity and provide a pathway for qualified chiropractors who are not eligible to apply for registration within the Scope of Practice of Chiropractor to fill limited, non clinical, teaching or research positions, the Board has developed the following Policy to ensure that visiting chiropractic educators/researchers (VCEs) are both registered and hold an Annual Practising Certificate as well as ensuring they understand the professional requirements expected of a chiropractor in New Zealand.

The Board, on a case by case basis and pursuant to Section 22 of the HPCAA, may decide to place one or more of the following conditions on an applicant's scope of practice:

- a. a condition that the applicant practice subject to the supervision of 1 or more nominated health practitioners or health practitioners of a stated class;
- b. a condition that the applicant practice subject to the oversight of 1 or more nominated health practitioners or health practitioners of a stated class;
- c. a condition that the applicant not perform any task of a stated kind or that he or she perform those tasks only in stated circumstances;
- d. a condition that the applicant practice only in a stated capacity, for example, as an employee of a nominated person or a person of a stated class;
- e. a condition that the applicant practice in association with 1 or more nominated persons or persons of a stated class;
- f. a condition that the applicant practice only for a specified period;
- g. a condition that the applicant attain 1 or more further stated qualifications or attain further experience of a stated kind;
- h. any condition that the authority believes on reasonable grounds to be necessary to protect the safety of the public.

In the course of carrying out this activity, the chiropractor must adhere to the New Zealand Chiropractic Board's Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice and any other directives of the New Zealand Chiropractic Board. The chiropractor is also required to abide by relevant Government legislation and common law.

Board Policy Statement

All chiropractors seeking to register as a Visiting Chiropractic Educator/Researcher must comply with the following requirements as set out in this Policy including but not limited to:

1. completing the required application form including declarations satisfying Section 16 of the HPCAA (fitness to practice);
2. holding chiropractic qualifications relevant and suitable for the position;
3. providing written confirmation and details of the teaching or research position;
4. complying with any supervision requirements required by the Board;
5. complying with any conditions placed by the Board on their scope of practice;

6. not engaging in private or clinical practise;
7. not engaging in clinical supervision or teaching;
8. agreeing to have their name removed from the register at the conclusion of the teaching or research period.

2. VISITING CHIROPRACTORS

2.1. Visiting Chiropractic Presenters

Introduction

To ensure that New Zealand registered chiropractors receive the best possible continuing professional development opportunities, the Board understands that it may be necessary to have visiting chiropractic presenters (VCPs) brought in from overseas. To facilitate this activity, the Board has developed the following Policy to ensure that VCPs are both registered and hold an Annual Practising Certificate as well as ensuring they understand the professional requirements expected of a chiropractor in New Zealand.

The Board, on a case by case basis and pursuant to Section 22 of the HPCAA, may decide to place one or more of the following conditions on an applicant's scope of practice:

- a. a condition that the applicant practice subject to the supervision of 1 or more nominated health practitioners or health practitioners of a stated class;
- b. a condition that the applicant practice subject to the oversight of 1 or more nominated health practitioners or health practitioners of a stated class;
- c. a condition that the applicant not perform any task of a stated kind or that he or she perform those tasks only in stated circumstances;
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- g. a condition that the applicant attain 1 or more further stated qualifications or attain further experience of a stated kind;
- h. any condition that the authority believes on reasonable grounds to be necessary to protect the safety of the public.

In the course of carrying out this activity, the chiropractor must adhere to the New Zealand Chiropractic Board's Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice and any other directives of the New Zealand Chiropractic Board. The chiropractor is also required to abide by relevant Government legislation and common law.

Board Policy Statement

Any person who visits New Zealand for a period of 7 days or less for the purpose of presenting to chiropractors, chiropractic students, chiropractic staff or lay persons is required to be registered and hold a current Annual Practising Certificate if they intend to perform, demonstrate or teach clinical application, including but not limited to adjustment and/or manipulation.

The Board requires such persons to meet the following:

1. to satisfy Section 16 of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 be fit to practise chiropractic;
2. to hold chiropractic qualifications relevant and suitable for the activity to be undertaken;
3. to provide a brief overview of the activity they intend to undertake in New Zealand;

4. to provide written confirmation that their professional indemnity insurance, or that of the event organizer, covers them for the activity while in New Zealand;
5. to agree to have their name removed from the register at the conclusion of the 7 day Annual Practising Certificate period.

Applications for this type of registration and Annual Practising Certificate will only be granted for 7 days or less and will not attract a fee.

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