

HOW WELL EDUCATED IS YOUR CHIROPRACTOR?

Today's Doctors of Chiropractic Have Six or More Years of College

Have you ever wondered just how much education your chiropractor has? The facts may very well surprise you.

Today, at least six years of highly specialized college training are required to graduate and earn licensure, and chiropractic has gained recognition as a comprehensive, scientifically sound force among the healing arts. Chiropractic concerns itself with the interrelationship of structure and body functions, and chiropractic effectively utilizes natural, drugless methods of treatment – primarily spinal adjustments.

The Doctor of Chiropractic readily acknowledges that the early, formative years of chiropractic education – like those of medicine – left much to be desired. But this is true of every science and profession. Look at these typical basic educational requirements for medical school graduates as compared to those for Doctors of Chiropractic.

The chiropractic student must meet stringent educational requirements, including approximately 600 hours of internship, which qualify him or her for licensure in all states and Canadian provinces. In many states, a Chiropractor must pass a basic science examination – the same examination that is given to medical students. They must then also pass a rigid chiropractic board examination. The majority of states and provinces require continuing educational seminars for annual license renewal.

If you have friends who are uninformed about chiropractic education, why not share this knowledge with them. They too may benefit from today's scientific chiropractic care.

You are in good hands with chiropractic!

Medical Class Hours (minimum)	Subject	Chiropractic Class Hours (minimum)
508	Anatomy	520
326	Physiology	420
401	Pathology	205
325	Chemistry	300
114	Bacteriology	130
112	Diagnosis	420
112	Neurology	320
148	Radiology	217
144	Psychiatry	65
198	Obstetrics/Gynecol.	65
156	Orthopedics	225
2,756	TOTAL	2,887

Other required subjects for the Doctor of Chiropractic: adjusting, manipulation, kinesiology, and other similar subjects related to his specialty.

Other required subjects for the Doctor of Medicine: pharmacology, immunology, general surgery, and other similar basic subjects related to his specialty.

Grand Total Class Hours

4,248 Including other basic subjects 4,485

The above class hours were compiled following a review of the curriculum catalogue of 22 medical schools and 11 chiropractic colleges, and updated from the National Health Federation bulletin and other publications' statistics.