West Virginia Board of Chiropractic
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Update for 2020-2021 Continuing Education Requirements

This notice is to provide all licensees with an update regarding continuing education requirements for the 2020-2021 renewal year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all licensees are permitted to complete the required eighteen (18) continuing education hours online and/or classroom. As a reminder, all continuing education must be pre-approved by the Board. All approved continuing education courses are posted on the Board's website at www.boc.wv.gov.

Mandated 2020-2021 Continuing Education Hours

Due to COVID-19, the Board will mandate six (6) of the eighteen (18) required continuing education hours for the 2020-2021 renewal year relating to this matter. The online hours approved specifically for West Virginia will be offered by the West Virginia Chiropractic Society. You may contact the WVCS at (304) 345-9219 and/or visit the WVCS website at www.wvchiropractic.org to register. A breakdown of the mandated hours is listed below:

- Hour 1: COVID-19 - An Overview
- Hour 2: Telehealth in light of COVID-19
- Hour 3: Opening your Office in light of COVID-19
- Hour 4: Prevention/Wellness Considerations in light of COVID-19
- Hour 5: Medicolegal Concerns in light of COVID-19
- Hour 6: Future Practice Considerations in light of COVID-19

Guidance for Best Practices in Midst of COVID-19

The Board has received numerous calls from the public with concerns about doctors not wearing face covering masks or shields, and not following precautionary guidelines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and state and local health departments. On the advice of state health experts mandating the use of face coverings, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 50-20, on July 7, 2020, pertaining to this matter:

> ***All individuals age 9 and over within the State of West Virginia shall wear an adequate face covering when in confined, indoor spaces, other than when in one's residence or when actively engaged in the consumption of food and/or beverage, and when not able to adequately social distance from other individuals who do not reside in the same household.***

As a reminder, the Board recommends that chiropractors follow all CDC and state and local health department guidelines. This will ensure a trusted, safe environment for your patients while receiving the essential health care benefits that your office proudly provides.

Let us lead by example!