

## Terms of Acceptance

Patient \_\_\_\_\_

**When we accept you as a patient into our practice, it is important that you understand the objectives of our care.**

**Chiropractors** provide a **unique service** that other healthcare providers do not offer: the location and correction of subluxations (structural and nervous system stress) in your body.

A **subluxation** is a misalignment or distortion of your spinal column or related structures that can affect your brain, nervous system and overall body function. **Subluxations can cause dis-ease** or loss of proper body function.

**Chiropractors** spend years studying how to locate and correct this destructive condition, first by analyzing your structural system (especially your spine) using various methods. Secondly, we **correct or adjust your subluxations** by using specialized techniques (adjustments). When your structural system, spine and nervous system are free from the deep stress of subluxations **you function more efficiently** and your natural healing ability, **your inner healer**, will better communicate through your body.

**We do not medically diagnose or treat** any disease, symptom or condition. No matter what condition(s) you may have been diagnosed with and no matter what symptom(s) your body is expressing, **you always need a body free from subluxations.**

If, during the course of our chiropractic examination, we encounter unusual findings, **we will let you know.** You may then decide whether you wish to investigate further and discuss your healthcare options with other healthcare professionals. **We will cooperate with you and with them in your goals.**

**To summarize:** the purpose of chiropractic care is not to treat diseases or conditions, nor to suppress symptoms, nor to perform surgery, but rather to make your body function better by **removing structural nerve stress (subluxations).** Therefore we do not prescribe surgery or medications. If you wish to decrease or stop medications you should discuss that with your MD.

Our objective is to **eliminate a major interference to the expression of your physical/emotional health and healing**—subluxations—so that your natural healing ability and **your inner healer may function without this severe form of stress.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read and fully understand the above statements.

Date \_\_\_\_\_