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## MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

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**Board Office Hours:** 8:00-5:00, M - F  
**Time Zone:** Central

**Exam Dates:** require NBCE Part IV Exam

**Application Deadline:** None  
**Transcript Deadline:** None  
**Application Fee:** \$ 240 (non-refundable)  
**Initial License Fee:** \$ included in application fee  
**Criminal Background Check:** Yes  
**Require Fingerprinting:** Yes  
**License Renewal Fee:** \$ 150  
**Term:** Annual

**Preceptor/Intern/Extern Program:** Students may practice under licensed D.C. if enrolled in Preceptorship program approved by Board. No temporary permits for graduated doctors to practice under licensed D.C.s.

**Require supervised practice prior to full licensure:** No

**License(s) Required for Practice:** Chiropractic  
**Optional Certifications:** Acupuncture (100 hours required to be certified to use Meridian Therapy, Acupressure and Acupuncture). Chiropractic Insurance Consultant (100 hrs. required to be certified). Manipulation Under Anesthesia (24 didactic academic hrs. and 6 proctored MUA procedure hrs). Contact Board to apply.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION:

**Requirements:** To renew a chiropractic license in 1998 and each year after that, the required number of postgraduate hours shall be twenty-four (24).

**Program Criteria:** Physician level instruction, sponsored by CCE accredited colleges or approved by Board. Contact Board for Application for Course Approval. See 4 CSR 70-2.081 (1) for details of chiropractic subject matter approved.

**Board accepts the uniform continuing education form:** no

**Board requires sexual boundaries training:** Beginning in 1998, all licensees must have 4 hours of continuing education in boundary training or emergency procedures.

**Board requires AIDS awareness / risk prevention training:** All licensees must have 4 hours of continuing education in HIV or infectious diseases, boundary training or emergency procedures.

**Other special areas of specific CE training required:** 4 hours x-ray, 4 hours differential or physical diagnosis, or both. Licensees who hold specialty certifications must have 12 hours in their specialty field. MTAA certified chiropractors must have 12 hours in acupuncture; Insurance consultants must have 12 hours in Insurance claims review.

**Optional Certifications:** Certifications available for Insurance Consulting and MTAA (Meridian Therapy / Acupressure / Acupuncture). 12 hours of CE in specialty to maintain certification.

### CONDITIONS FOR RECIPROCITY/ENDORSEMENT:

State laws and examinations must be equivalent to Missouri, state must reciprocate with Missouri. \$300 fee. The Board may require an applicant to successfully complete the SPEC examination if the applicant's licensing authority does not grant equivalent reciprocal licensing to Missouri licensees, or if the requirements for securing a license in the other jurisdiction are not equivalent to those required for licensure in Missouri.

### EXAMINATIONS ADMINISTERED BY STATE:

Missouri Law examination administered as an open book exam.

### NATIONAL BOARD EXAMINATIONS:

**Part I:** required  
**Part II:** required  
**Part III (WCCE):** required  
**Part IV:** required  
**Physiotherapy:** required

**SPEC:** Reciprocity/Endorsement: can use now\* see conditions for reciprocity/endorsement  
 Reinstatement of Lapsed License: under consideration  
 Disciplinary Cases: under consideration  
 Impairment Review: under consideration

*\*SPEC Exam can also be used for reciprocity if the applicant has previously taken and failed the MO exam 3 times but has subsequently passed an exam in another state and wants to use that license to reciprocate. In this situation the applicant can use the SPEC Exam for reciprocity, or be required to pass the section of the MO Exam which he/she previously failed.*

**PHYSIOTHERAPY:** Termed either Physiotherapy or Physical Therapy

**Certification:** Included in chiropractic license  
**Additional Education:** As per CCE requirements  
**Additional Examination:** Must have NBCE Physiotherapy exam  
**Additional Fee:** None

#### EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

**Min. # yrs pre-professional education required for licensure:** 60 credit hrs leading to a baccalaureate degree. No requirement for a 4-year degree planned.

**Accreditation for Chiropractic Programs/Institutions:** Council on Chiropractic Education

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATES OF FOREIGN COLLEGES:** Transcripts must be in English, or have a certified English translation attached. Schools with CCE Reciprocal Agreement accepted.

#### SUMMARY OF SCOPE OF PRACTICE: (Contact State for precise definition by state law)

The science and art of examination, diagnosis, adjustment, manipulation and treatment of malpositioned articulations, and structures of the body, both in inpatient and outpatient settings. The adjustment, manipulation, or treatment shall be directed toward restoring and maintaining the normal neuromuscular and musculoskeletal function and health. It shall not include the use of operative surgery, obstetrics, osteopathy, podiatry, nor the administration or prescribing of any drug or medicine nor the practice of medicine, within the meaning of

Chapter 334, RSMo, and not subject to the provisions of the Chapter. A licensed Doctor of Chiropractic may practice chiropractic as defined in subsection 1 of this section by those methods commonly taught in any chiropractic college recognized and approved by the Board. Doctors of Chiropractic may advise and instruct patients in all matters pertaining to hygiene, nutrition, and sanitary measures as taught in any chiropractic college recognized and approved by the Board.

#### OTHER REFERENCE INFORMATION:

**Board regulates specialty council certification:** no  
**Board permits or authorizes travel-to-treat requirements:** no  
**Board permits or authorizes telemedicine practices:** no  
**Licensees required to carry malpractice insurance:** no  
**Additional legally accepted terms for chiropractor (in addition to Doctor of Chiropractic, D.C., Chiropractor, Chiropractic Doctor):** Chiropractic Physician  
**Peer Review:** no board peer review  
**Chiropractic Assistants:** No licensing authority for Chiropractic Assistants.

#### BOARD MEMBERS / TERMS (where available):

Board handles both licensing and disciplinary functions.

**Lawrence M. Gerstein, D.C., Pres.:** 819 W. 5th St., Washington 63090, Exp. 1/2001

**Mary A. Holyoke, D.C., Sec'y.:** 112 N. Main Street, DeSoto 63020, Exp. 1/2002

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**Lee Richardson, Jr., D.C.:** 11801 Troost Avenue, Kansas City 64148 Exp. 1/2004

**Charlotte Castillon Hill:** 446 W. 56th Street, Kansas City 64113 Exp. 8/2003

#### STATISTICAL INFORMATION

**Active Licenses as of 12/00:** 1917

**New Licenses:** 135

**Resident Licenses:** 1589

**Non-Resident Licenses:** 328

