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re: Proposed definitions, guidelines for classifications of care

Dear State Board of Chiropractic:

As a licensed chiropractor for 16 years in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania I would like to have my opinions considered regarding the so-called proposed definitions and guidelines for classifications of care, such as supportive, maintenance, chronic, and acute, etc.

I am TOTALLY against the suggested language of these recommendations as they further limit necessary care to patients. They also create more confusion by conflicting with other definitions and guidelines already in place by various insurance carriers. They also further justify the dual hypocritical standard of care system where a medical doctor can get paid for years for palliative care and palliative drugs paid by insurances with no hope of improvement or even maintenance or restoration of function of the patient.

Once again, like with the so-called "Mercy Guidelines", the chiropractic profession would be shooting itself in the foot and giving further ammunition to undermine our ability to render care and get paid for it.

Please do NOT adopt these proposed guidelines/definitions/regulations.

Sincerely,

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