



Chiropractic Neurology Frequently Asked Questions

What is Chiropractic Neurology?

Brain based Chiropractic.

The brain controls everything in our body and mind — from thoughts, to heart rate, to muscle tone. Most people have a dominant hemisphere (side) of their brain. We can see these differences either in personality (someone who is artistic, creative or musical vs. someone who is a physicist or mathematician) or those differences may be more subtle to the untrained eye.

Chiropractic Neurologists are specialists in analyzing these differences. When a diagnosis has been determined, a treatment plan is formulated. Treatment may consist of traditional adjustments, visual and/or auditory stimulation, balance therapies and cognitive therapy. Rehabilitative exercises are prescribed so the patient can further their progress at home, allowing them to actively participate in regaining their health.

What are the requirements to become a Chiropractic Neurologist?

Presently, there are just over 500 Chiropractic Neurologists worldwide. There are stringent requirements to attain Chiropractic Neurologist Certification. A Doctor of Chiropractic (DC) needs to complete over 300 hours in post-graduate neurological coursework. The doctor must achieve a minimum of 80% on the board examination to achieve the status Diplomate in the American Chiropractic Board of Neurology (DACNB). In order to stay active with this status, they must continue to study post-graduate studies in neurology.

Dr. Keri Chiappino offers a unique, expanded approach to alternative health care. Her healing spirit is evident in many alternative therapies and in her counseling of the whole individual.

Dr. Chiappino has completed over 900 hours of post-graduate studies and continues to attend conferences once per month in order to bring the newest applications of chiropractic neurology to her practice.

How do you benefit?

- Evaluation of your case with particular attention given to your brain and its relationship to your symptoms
- Diagnosis of the causality of your condition
- Precise treatment of your individual and specific problem
- Accelerated functional improvement
- Advanced care of difficult, chronic and complex cases

Who might find relief?

Those suffering from any of the following:

- Vertigo and balance problems
- Movement disorders
- Aphasia (difficulty speaking and /or reading)
- Visual disturbances and eye fatigue
- Memory and concentration difficulty
- Dystonia
- Peripheral nerve injuries/neuropathies/radiculopathies (numbness and tingling of the arm/hand/leg/or foot)
- Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD)
- Raynaud's Phenomenon
- Learning and attention disorders such as ADD/ADHD, PDD, OCD, Tourette's, Autism
- Chronic pain
- Foot drop

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What types of treatment exist?

Chiropractic neurology incorporates similar training to medical neurology but differs in application, treatments and therapies. Consequently, chiropractic neurologists may recommend treatment or therapies that may not be familiar to other practitioners and will likely be new to you as well. Such treatment, known as afferent stimulation, is the use of elements of the physical environment that are non-invasive and non-surgical. Examples of afferent stimulation include chiropractic adjustments, brain exercises, light, heat, water, sound, and physical therapy modalities. When these afferent stimulation modalities are specifically and correctly applied to your case immediate results are often observed. Your nervous system will begin to regain its optimal function and you will begin to regain your life.

Most people associate chiropractic only with back and neck pain. However, the recent advances in brain research and imaging strongly support the new specialty of chiropractic neurology. This advanced branch of chiropractic offers new hope for those who have not found relief from conventional treatment. On-going education and advanced training allows Dr. Chiappino to assess and provide treatments for difficult, chronic and complex disorders involving the nervous system.

*For more information regarding chiropractic neurological therapies for disorders such as ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder), ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder), PDD (Pervasive Developmental Disorder), OCD (Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder), Tourette's Syndrome and Autism, please call **631-265-1223** or visit: **www.drchiappino.com***