



Newsletter

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2025 Scheduled Board Meetings

Thursday, October 9th @ 8:30 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS

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2025 Legislative Session

The Legislative Session ended on June 3, 2025. Please make note of the changes.

Assembly Bill 513 makes revisions to Nevada Revised Statute 634 as follows, and is effective October 1, 2025.

Section 1 of this bill allows a chiropractic assistant who holds a corresponding license, certificate or registration which is in good standing, to perform the functions of a chiropractic assistant in the District of Columbia or any other state or territory of the United States in which the person resides, to apply for a temporary certificate to work under the direct supervision of a licensed chiropractic physician. The Board's intent is to create a quick temporary licensure for CAs to cover staffing shortages for vacations, illnesses, maternity or paternity leave, etc. Presently, the Board can issue such a time-limited temporary license for a chiropractic physician, but cannot do so for a CA.

Section 3 of this bill removes the membership requirement for a board member who represents the interests of persons or agencies that regularly provide health care to patients who are indigent, uninsured or unable to afford health care. **Note:** The total make-up of the Board will remain unchanged with five chiropractic physicians and two public members.

Section 4 of this bill allows examinations to be held semiannually or at other intervals prescribed by the Board.

Section 5 of this bill requires an applicant for examination to submit to the Board a statement which attests that the applicant has read, understands and will abide by the provisions of existing law and regulations governing chiropractic physicians and providers of health care.

Sections 7 and 10 of this bill eliminates the jurisprudence examination for licensure. Effective October 1, 2025 the licensee will no longer take an exam to obtain licensure, but will be required to sign an attestation. The Board may require that the licensee take the jurisprudence exam in accordance with disciplinary action, which will be administered by the NBCE.

Section 8 of this bill removes the requirement to include at least 12 months of training or the equivalent for CAs.

Section 10 of this bill requires an applicant that is reinstating his or her license from expired to active to attest that they have read, understand and will abide by NRS and NAC 634 and NRS 629. Similar to a new applicant.

Section 11 of this bill is clean up language to eliminate irrelevant fees and properly define when the Board can charge the fee for an application submitted by a course provider for continuing education to include dry needling.

Section 13 of this bill requires that a cease-and-desist order contain a mailing address and email

Assembly Bill 511

AB 511 was approved and is effective January 1, 2026. This bill was not submitted by the Board, however impacts chiropractic physicians. If you have questions please contact the Nevada Chiropractic Association.

Sec. 6. NRS 689A.049 is hereby amended to read as follows: 689A.049 1. If any policy of health insurance provides coverage for treatment ~~[of an illness]~~ which is within the authorized scope of practice of a qualified chiropractic physician, the insured ~~[is entitled to reimbursement for treatments by]~~ *or a chiropractic physician who is licensed pursuant to chapter 634 of NRS [-] and who provides such treatment to the insured, as applicable, is entitled to reimbursement for the treatment provided.*

Sec. 12. NRS 689B.039 is hereby amended to read as follows: 689B.039 1. If any group policy of health insurance provides coverage for treatment ~~[of an illness]~~ which is within the authorized scope of practice of a qualified chiropractic physician, the insured ~~[is entitled to reimbursement for treatments by]~~ *or a chiropractic physician who is licensed pursuant to chapter 634 of NRS [-] and who provides such treatment to the insured, as applicable, is entitled to reimbursement for the treatment provided.*

2. The terms of the policy must not limit:

- (a) Coverage for treatments by a chiropractic physician to a number less than for treatments by other physicians.
- (b) Reimbursement for treatments by a chiropractic physician to an amount less than that charged for similar treatments by other physicians.

address along with the telephone number.

Sections 3, 5, 6 and 12 of this bill provides conforming language at the direction of the Chiropractic Council on Education to include doctor of chiropractic degree program, which broadens the pool of applicants.

Senate Bill 78 This bill was introduced by the Department of Business and Industry and was seeking to restructure Nevada Boards and Commissions, however this bill failed.

Sec. 23. NRS 695B.198 is hereby amended to read as follows: 695B.198 1. If any contract for hospital or medical service provides coverage for

treatment ~~[of an illness]~~ which is within the authorized scope of practice of a qualified chiropractic physician, the insured ~~[is entitled to reimbursement for treatments by]~~ *or a chiropractic physician who is licensed pursuant to chapter 634 of NRS [-] and who provides such treatment to the insured, as applicable, is entitled to reimbursement for the treatment provided.*

2. The terms of the policy must not limit:

- (a) Coverage for treatments by a chiropractic physician to a number less than for treatments by other physicians.
- (b) Reimbursement for treatments by a chiropractic physician to an amount less than that charged for similar treatments by other physicians.

Sec. 29. NRS 695C.178 is hereby amended to read as follows: 695C.178

1. If any evidence of coverage provides coverage for treatment ~~[of an illness]~~ which is within the authorized scope of practice of a qualified chiropractic physician, the insured ~~[is entitled to reimbursement for treatments by]~~ *or a chiropractic physician who is licensed pursuant to chapter 634 of NRS [-] and who provides such treatment to the insured, as applicable, is entitled to reimbursement for the treatment provided.*

2. The terms of the policy must not limit:

- (a) Coverage for treatments by a chiropractic physician to a number less than for treatments by other physicians.

- (b) Reimbursement for treatments by a chiropractic physician to an amount less than that charged for similar treatments by other physicians.

2025 Chiropractic Assistant Certificate Renewal

The 2025 chiropractic assistant renewal period will begin October 1, 2025. All chiropractic assistants must renew their certificate online before 11:59 P.M. PST, December 31, 2025. Once renewed, certificates are valid from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.

Chiropractic Assistants will receive a postcard by mail and email reminders to renew by December 31, 2025. To renew online, visit the Board's website at (<https://chirobd.nv.gov>), select the "Licensee Portal" to log in. Each user must have a unique email address on file with the Board. Please login to the Licensee Portal now, to ensure the Board has your current email and mailing address on record. Once you are logged in you will see the menu shown on the left. If you do not believe the Board has your correct email on file, or if you have difficulties logging in, please email cpbn@chirobd.nv.gov or call 775-688-1921, so that we can locate your record/email prior to renewals.

Renewal Fee: \$120.00

If the Chiropractic Assistant received their:

- ↳ Initial Certificate from January 1, 2025 to May 31, 2025, the renewal fee is \$60.00.
- ↳ Initial Certificate from June 1, 2025 to December 31, 2026, the renewal fee is waived.

You may pay your renewal fees with a Visa, MasterCard or Discover.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

All CA's should be prepared to attest to the completion of the required, 12 hours of continuing education on their renewal applications. If this is your first renewal, you are **not** required to submit continuing education.

- **PACE approved CE is not accepted at this time**
- **Please refer to the Board's website for approved continuing education courses.**
<https://chirobd.nv.gov/CE/>
- **Four (4) hours of free CE can be obtained by attending a regularly scheduled Board meeting, which can be found at <https://chirobd.nv.gov/Meetings/>**

Licensee Portal
Log-In

Chiropractic Assistant Applications submitted prior to October 1, 2025

Applicants who submitted a Chiropractic Assistant application and received their certification prior to October 1, 2025 will be grandfathered in and maintain their certification to include X-Ray/Radiology. There is nothing further that you need to do. A new Wall Certificate will be issued with your same number, with the following prefix: CA-P-R

Chiropractic Assistant Applications/Examinations

Effective October 1, 2025 there will be two applications for chiropractic assistant certification.

↳ Chiropractic Assistant **without** X-Ray/Radiology (CA-P (Physiotherapy)#####)

Chiropractic Assistants who submit an application on or after October 1, 2025 and will not be performing x-ray/radiology will not be required to take an exam; however, they will attest to reading, understanding and will abide by the provisions of NRS 634, NAC 634 and NRS 629.

Upon completion of on-the-job training and once the Board is in receipt of the Evidence of Training signed by the supervising chiropractic physician the certificate will be issued.

↳ Chiropractic Assistant **with** X-Ray/Radiology (CA-P (Physiotherapy)-R (Radiology)#####)

Chiropractic Assistants who submit an application on or after October 1, 2025 and will be performing X-Ray/Radiology will be required to take an examination and will attest to reading, understanding and will abide by the provisions of NRS 634, NAC 634 and NRS 629. Upon completion of on-the-job training and once the Board is in receipt of the Evidence of Training signed by the supervising chiropractic physician will be provided the instructions to take the examination. The X-Ray/Radiology examination will be administered by the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, who will also collect the examination fee.

↳ The X-Ray/Radiology Examination Resources are as follows:

Yochum and Rowe

The Practicing Chiropractors Committee on Radiology Protocols

↳ Chiropractic Assistants who submitted an application prior to October 1, 2025 and are in pending status will follow the existing rules. Upon completion of on-the-job training and once the Board is in receipt of the Evidence of Training signed by the supervising chiropractic physician the applicant will sit for the Chiropractic Assistant practical examination and the law examination, which will be administered by the Board and continue to be offered on-line or in-person with a 75% pass rate. The \$75.00 examination fee will continue to be collected by the Board.

↳ Upon receipt of an application a confirmation letter is sent from the Board to the CA and their Supervising DC confirming receipt of the application to include any outstanding items. Please be sure to read this email and respond timely.

An employee who will perform CA duties is required to submit an application within 15 days of starting CA duties.

Changes to the Examinations

- ✧ Effective October 1, 2025, the Doctor of Chiropractic jurisprudence examination will no longer be required to obtain licensure. The exam will be replaced by an attestation through the application process confirming that the applicant has read, understands and will abide by the provisions of NRS 634, NAC 634 and NRS 629.
- ✧ In the event that the Board orders disciplinary action against a chiropractic physician the Board may require the licensee to take and pass the jurisprudence examination, which will be administered by the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, who will also collect the examination fee.
- ✧ Effective October 1, 2025 the Chiropractic Assistant examination and law examination will no longer be required for certification. The law examination will be replaced by an attestation through the application process confirming that the applicant has read, understands and will abide by the provisions of NRS 634, NAC 634 and NRS 629.
- ✧ Chiropractic assistants who will perform X-Ray/Radiology will be required to take an X-Ray/Radiology examination, administered by the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners who will also collect the exam fee.
- ✧ The Board will **no longer** collect the examination fee for those applicants who submit their application on or after October 1, 2025.
- ✧ The Board will collect the examination fee for those applicants who submitted their application prior to October 1, 2025.

Preceptor Program

Attention: Chiropractic Physicians

If you are interested in participating in the preceptor program, you will need to reach out to the chiropractic college to apply and complete their requirements. Upon approval from the chiropractic college, visit the Board's website and select the New Applicant portal link to complete the application process through the Board.

NAC 634.337 Application procedure for licensee; requirements to act as preceptor. ([NRS 634.030](#), [634.137](#), [634.1379](#))

1. A licensee who wishes to act as a preceptor must submit to the Board an application for approval to participate in the preceptor program. The application must include, without limitation:
 - (a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the licensee maintains malpractice insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and not less than \$3,000,000 in the aggregate;
 - (b) Written evidence that the licensee has been accepted to serve as a preceptor by the college of chiropractic at which the student who will be supervised by the licensee is enrolled; and
 - (c) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the licensee meets the requirements set forth in subsection 2.
2. A licensee who applies to participate in the preceptor program must have not less than 5 years of experience as a licensed chiropractor, at least 2 years of which must have been as a chiropractic physician licensed to practice chiropractic in Nevada.

3. In determining whether to approve an application to participate in the preceptor program submitted by a licensee, the Board will review the disciplinary history of the licensee.

Technique Talk

If you are in question about whether you are able to perform a specific technique?

1. The technique should be taught in an accredited, chiropractic school or college.
2. Refer to your malpractice insurance carrier for guidance regarding a technique either taught in an accredited chiropractic school or college or post graduate program. For example, the ring dinger.
3. The Board does not advise a chiropractic physician on how to adjust their patients' using techniques, hands-on or with instruments.

Social Media

Please be aware.....

☞ That if you are including patients on your social media page you must disclose during your social media post that you have received the patients written consent.

☞ If you are treating a patient outside of your clinic you are required to maintain sufficient records, from taking the patients history, to the examination prior to touching the patient.

Disciplinary Action

Shannon Darrow, DC – License No.
B01852

On July 10, 2025 Dr. Darrow entered into a Settlement Agreement and Order with the Board. Dr. Darrow will, pay the Board's fees and costs in the amount of \$7,731.73 and a fine in the amount of \$2,500.00. Dr. Darrow may not seek to reinstate her license to practice chiropractic medicine unless and until she provides written evidence of the following: (a) Payment of all fees and costs and fines; (b) Completion of 24 hours of continuing education related to billing, record keeping, fraud prevention, and ethics and boundaries; and (c) Completion of Fraud, Unprofessional Conduct, and Professional Standards assessments offered by EBAS.

Bennett Patterson, DC – License No.
B01929

On July 10, 2025 Dr. Patterson entered into a Settlement Agreement and Order with the Board. Dr. Patterson's license shall be on probation for a period of one year commencing upon the effective date of this Settlement Agreement and Order. Within 90 days of the effective date of this Settlement Agreement and Order, Dr. Patterson will provide written evidence of successful completion of four hours of continuing education in the making and keeping of chiropractic medical records and six hours of continuing education related to obtaining and documenting informed consent from patients and two hours of ethics and boundaries. Dr. Patterson shall pay the Board's fees and costs in the amount of \$3,865.86.

Questions?



Please contact the Board office if you have any questions.

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