

Whom may we thank for referring you to this office? \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW PATIENT PAPERWORK - GATE CITY HEALTH**

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

HRN: \_\_\_\_\_

**PATIENT DEMOGRAPHICS**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status:  Single  Married Do you have Insurance:  Yes  No Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children and ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Number of Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**HISTORY of COMPLAINT**

Please identify the condition(s) that brought you to this office AND rate your complaints by **circling the number** on a scale of **1 to 10**

**NO PAIN**

**WORST PAIN**

**Primary** or chief complaint is: \_\_\_\_\_ 0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10

**Second** complaint is: \_\_\_\_\_ 0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10

**Third** complaint is: \_\_\_\_\_ 0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10

**Fourth** complaint is: \_\_\_\_\_ 0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10

**When did the problem(s) begin?** \_\_\_\_\_ **When is the problem at its worst?**  AM  PM  mid-day  late PM

How long does it last?  It is constant **OR**  I experience it on and off during the day **OR**  It comes and goes throughout the week

How did the injury happen? \_\_\_\_\_

Condition(s) ever been treated by anyone in the past?  No  Yes **If yes**, when: \_\_\_\_\_ by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

How long were you under care: \_\_\_\_\_ What were the results? \_\_\_\_\_

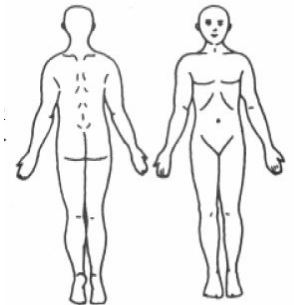
Name of Previous Chiropractor: \_\_\_\_\_  N/A

**PLEASE MARK** the areas on the Diagram with the following **letters** to describe your symptoms:

**R = Radiating B = Burning D = Dull A = Aching N = Numbness S = Sharp/Stabbing T = Tingling**

What relieves your symptoms? \_\_\_\_\_

What makes your symptoms feel worse? \_\_\_\_\_



LIST RESTRICTED ACTIVITY:	CURRENT ACTIVITY LEVEL	USUAL ACTIVITY LEVEL
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Is your problem the result of ANY type of accident?  Yes,  No

Identify any other injury(s) to your spine, minor or major, that the doctor should know about:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**PAST HISTORY**

Have you suffered with any of this or a similar problem in the past?  No  Yes **If yes**, how many times? \_\_\_\_\_

When was the last episode? \_\_\_\_\_ How did the injury happen? \_\_\_\_\_

Other forms of treatment tried:  No  Yes **If yes**, please state **what** type of treatment: \_\_\_\_\_, and who provided it: \_\_\_\_\_

**How long ago?** \_\_\_\_\_ What were the results.  Favorable  Unfavorable→ please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

Please identify any and all types of jobs you have had in the past that have imposed any physical stress on you or your body:

\_\_\_\_\_

If you have ever been diagnosed with any of the following conditions, please indicate with a **P** for in the **Past**, **C** for **Currently** have or **N** for **Never** have had:

\_\_\_ Broken Bone \_\_\_ Dislocations \_\_\_ Tumors \_\_\_ Rheumatoid Arthritis \_\_\_ Fracture \_\_\_ Disability \_\_\_ Cancer  
\_\_\_ Heart Attack \_\_\_ Osteo Arthritis \_\_\_ Diabetes \_\_\_ Cerebral Vascular \_\_\_ Other serious conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE identify ALL PAST and any CURRENT conditions you feel may be contributing to your present problem:**

	HOW LONG AGO	TYPE OF CARE RECEIVED	BY WHOM
INJURIES	→		
SURGERIES	→		
CHILDHOOD DISEASES	→		
ADULT DISEASES	→		

**SOCIAL HISTORY**

- Smoking:**  cigars  pipe  cigarettes How often?  Daily  Weekends  Occasionally  Never
- Alcoholic Beverage:** consumption occurs  Daily  Weekends  Occasionally  Never
- Recreational Drug use:**  Daily  Weekends  Occasionally  Never
- Hobbies -Recreational Activities- Exercise Regime:** How does your present problem affect? (See ADL form)

**FAMILY HISTORY:**

- Does anyone in your family suffer with the same condition(s)?  No  Yes  
**If yes whom:**  grandmother  grandfather  mother  father  sister(s)  brother(s)  son(s)  daughter(s)  
Have they ever been treated for their condition?  No  Yes  I don't know
- Any other hereditary conditions the doctor should be aware of?**  No  Yes: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby authorize payment to be made directly to Gate City Health, for all benefits which may be payable under a healthcare plan or from any other collateral sources. I authorize utilization of this application or copies thereof for the purpose of processing claims and effecting payments, and further acknowledge that this assignment of benefits does not in any way relieve me of payment liability and that I will remain financially responsible to Gate City Health for any and all services I receive at this office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Patient or Authorized Person's Signature**

\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_  
**Date Completed**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Doctor's Signature**

\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_  
**Date Form Reviewed**

PATIENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ HR#: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACTIVITIES OF LIFE

Please identify how your current condition is affecting your ability to carry out activities that are routinely part of your life:

ACTIVITIES_	EFFECT_			
Carry Children/Groceries	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Sit to Stand	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Climb Stairs	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Pet Care	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Extended Computer Use	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Lift Children/Groceries	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Read/Concentrate	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Getting Dressed	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Shaving	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Sexual Activities	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Sleep	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Static Sitting	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Static Standing	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Yard work	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Walking	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Washing/Bathing	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Sweeping/Vacuuming	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Dishes	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Laundry	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Garbage	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Driving	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform
Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (can do)	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful (limits)	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Perform

List Prescription & Nonprescription drugs you take: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Patient signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Please mark P for in the Past, C for Currently have, or N for Never

- |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Headache                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant (Now)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness        | <input type="checkbox"/> Prostate Problems        | <input type="checkbox"/> Ulcers               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neck Pain                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent Colds/Flu     | <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of Balance  | <input type="checkbox"/> Impotence/Sexual Dysfun. | <input type="checkbox"/> Heartburn            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jaw Pain, TMJ                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Convulsions/Epilepsy   | <input type="checkbox"/> Fainting         | <input type="checkbox"/> Digestive Problems       | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Problem        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shoulder Pain                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Tremors                | <input type="checkbox"/> Double Vision    | <input type="checkbox"/> Colon Trouble            | <input type="checkbox"/> High Blood Pressure  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Upper Back Pain                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain             | <input type="checkbox"/> Blurred Vision   | <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea/Constipation    | <input type="checkbox"/> Low Blood Pressure   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mid Back Pain                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Pain w/Cough/Sneeze    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ringing in Ears  | <input type="checkbox"/> Menopausal Problems      | <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Low Back Pain                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Foot or Knee Problems  | <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Loss     | <input type="checkbox"/> Menstrual Problem        | <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty Breathing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hip Pain                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sinus/Drainage Problem | <input type="checkbox"/> Depression       | <input type="checkbox"/> PMS                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Lung Problems        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Back Curvature                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Swollen/Painful Joints | <input type="checkbox"/> Irritable        | <input type="checkbox"/> Bed Wetting              | <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney Trouble       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scoliosis                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Skin Problems          | <input type="checkbox"/> Mood Changes     | <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Disability      | <input type="checkbox"/> Gall Bladder Trouble |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Numb/Tingling arms, hands, fingers | <input type="checkbox"/> ADD/ADHD               | <input type="checkbox"/> Eating Disorder  | <input type="checkbox"/> Liver Trouble            |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Numb/Tingling legs, feet, toes     | <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies              | <input type="checkbox"/> Trouble Sleeping | <input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis (A,B,C)        |   |

### QUADRUPLE VISUAL ANALOGUE SCALE

**Please read carefully:** circle the number that best describes the question being asked.

**Note:** If you have more than one complaint, please answer each question for each individual complaint and indicate the score for each complaint. Please indicate your pain level right now, average pain, and pain at its best and worst.

#### 1. What is your pain RIGHT NOW?

No pain      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      worst possible pain

#### 2. What is your TYPICAL or AVERAGE pain?

No pain      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      worst possible pain

#### 3. What is your pain level AT ITS BEST (How close to "0" does your pain get at its best)?

No pain      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      worst possible pain

#### 4. What is your pain level AT ITS WORST (How close to "10" does your pain get at its worst)?

No pain      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      worst possible pain

**OTHER COMMENTS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner \_\_\_\_\_

# Informed Consent

## INITIAL BELOW

### REGARDING: Chiropractic Adjustments, Modalities, and Therapeutic Procedures:

\_\_\_\_\_ I have been advised that chiropractic care, like all forms of health care, holds certain risks. While the risk are most often very minimal, in rare cases, complications such as sprain/strain injuries, irritation of a disc condition, and although extremely rare, minor fractures, and possible stroke, which occurs at a rate between one instance per one million to one per two million, have been associated with chiropractic adjustments. Treatment objectives as well as the risks associated with chiropractic adjustments and all other procedures provided at Gate City Health have been explained to me to my satisfaction and I have conveyed my understanding of both to the doctor. After careful consideration, I do hereby consent to treatment by any means, method, and or techniques, the doctor deems necessary to treat my condition at any time throughout the entire clinical course of my care.

### REGARDING: X-rays/Imaging Studies

**FEMALES ONLY** → *please read carefully and check the boxes, include the appropriate date, then sign below if you understand and have no further questions, otherwise see our receptionist for further explanation.*

The first day of my last menstrual cycle was on \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ (Date)

I have been provided a full explanation of when I am most likely to become pregnant, and to the best of my knowledge, I am not pregnant.

\_\_\_\_\_ By my initialing here I am acknowledging that the doctor and or a member of the staff has discussed with me the hazardous effects of ionization to an unborn child, and I have conveyed my understanding of the risks associated with exposure to x-rays. After careful consideration I therefore, do hereby consent to have the diagnostic x-ray examination the doctor has deemed necessary in my case.

### REGARDING YOUR RIGHT TO PRIVACY and OFFICE POLICIES

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received copies of both Gate City Health Patient Privacy Notice and Office Policies. I understand my rights as well as the practice's duty to protect my health information, and have conveyed my understanding of these rights and duties to the doctor. I further understand that this office reserves the right to amend this "Notice of Privacy Practice" at a time in the future and will make the new provisions effective for all information that it maintains past and present. I am aware that a more comprehensive version of this "Notice" is available to me and several copies kept in the reception area. At this time, I do not have any questions regarding my rights or any of the information I have received. 'Office Policies' a two page document, the first page of which I have read and retained. This second page is recognized by me as the signature page and will be retained by the practice as evidence of my receiving and understanding this 'Notice'. I further acknowledge that any concerns regarding these 'Policies' as well as all my questions have been answered by a qualified member of the staff to my complete satisfaction.

### REGARDING: MASK REQUIREMENT

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand Gate City Health is following NC Executive Order 147 which requires masks and outlines exceptions.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand Gate City Health is honoring the mask exceptions outlined in the mandate. Exceptions include, but are not limited to, trouble breathing, medical/behavioral conditions, and disabilities.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand some patients and staff at Gate City Health may not be wearing masks because of exceptions and I assume the risk of entering into such an environment.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand if I am not wearing a mask because of an outlined exception, I will not be asked to put one on or provide paperwork as proof, according to the Executive Order.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand if I am uncomfortable entering into an environment where others may not be wearing masks, I have the option to seek care in another facility.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness Initials

# GATE CITY HEALTH NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICE

This office is required to notify you in writing, that by law, we must maintain the privacy and confidentiality of your Personal Health Information. In addition we must provide you with written notice concerning your rights to gain access to your health information, and the potential circumstances under which, by law, or as **dictated by our office policy**, we are permitted to disclose information about you to a third party without your authorization. Below is a brief summary of these circumstances. If you would like a more detailed explanation, one will be provided to you. In addition, you will find we have placed several copies in report folders labeled **'HIPAA'** on tables in the reception. Once you have read this notice, please sign the last page, and return only the signature page (page 2) to our front desk receptionist. Keep this page for your records.

## PERMITTED DISCLOSURES:

1. Treatment purposes - discussion with other healthcare providers involved in your care.
2. Inadvertent disclosures - open treating area mean open discussion. If you need to speak privately to the doctor, please let our staff know so we can place you in a private consultation room.
3. For payment purposes - to obtain payment from your insurance company or any other collateral source.
4. For workers compensation purposes - to process a claim or aid in investigation.
5. Emergency - in the event of a medical emergency we may notify a family member.
6. For Public health and safety - in order to prevent or lessen a serious or imminent threat to the health or safety of a person or general public.
7. To Government agencies or Law enforcement - to identify or locate a suspect, fugitive, material witness or missing person.
8. For military, national security, prisoner and government benefits purposes.
9. Deceased persons - discussion with coroners and medical examiners in the event of a patient's death.
10. Telephone calls or emails and appointment reminders - **we may call your home and leave messages** regarding a missed appointment or apprise you of changes in practice hours or upcoming events.
11. Change of ownership- in the event this practice is sold, the new owners would have access to your PHI.

## YOUR RIGHTS:

1. To receive an accounting of disclosures.
2. To receive a paper copy of the comprehensive "Detail" Privacy Notice.
3. To request mailings to an address different than residence.
4. To request Restrictions on certain uses and disclosures and with whom we release information to, although we are not required to comply. If, however, we agree, the restriction will be in place until written notice of your intent to remove the restriction.
5. To inspect your records and receive one copy of your records at no charge, with notice in advance.
6. To request amendments to information. However, like restrictions, we are not required to agree to them.
7. To obtain **one copy** of your records at no charge, when timely notice is provided (72 hours). **X-rays** are original records and you are therefore not entitled to them. If you would like us to outsource them to an imaging center, to have copies made, we will be happy to accommodate you. However, you will be responsible for this cost.

## COMPLAINTS:

If you wish to make a formal complaint about how we handle your health information, please call Laura Dantoni at **(336) 763-9878** If she is unavailable, you may make an appointment with our receptionist to see her within 72 hours or 3 working days. If you are still not satisfied with the manner in which this office handles your complaint, you can submit a formal complaint to:

DHHS, Office of Civil Rights  
200 Independence Ave. SW  
Room 509F HHH Building  
Washington DC 20201

## OUR OFFICE POLICIES - WELCOME TO GATE CITY HEALTH

As a potential new patient, we feel it is important that you understand our office policies regarding, how patients of this practice are cared for, and the various methods we offer to facilitate payment for that care. Please read each policy carefully so there is no misunderstanding as to what you can expect as a patient of this practice, and what we expect in return. Once you have read "Our Office Policies", if you have any questions or any of these policies are unclear to you, and you would like further explanation before submitting your **Application for Care**, please let our front desk know and a member of our staff will be happy to discuss them with you further. We believe it is in everyone's best interests to provide potential new patients as much information as possible about how the doctors at this office practice chiropractic so that an informed decision can be made as to whether they wish to become a patient.

Over time, individuals who are accepted, as patients at this office, gain a greater understanding as to the purpose of chiropractic. Since the majority of patient care occurs in an open bay area, patients have a unique opportunity to observe firsthand the positive results that are achieved and the benefits derived from being under chiropractic care. This knowledge and awareness reaps a positive environment that promotes healing and encourages families to maintain good health. We want your experience with us to be an exceptional one, so help us to help you and together we can make affirmative changes in your life and the lives of those you care about.

**PATIENT PRIVACY** – Since the majority of patient care takes place in an open bay area it is important to understand that any conversations you have with the doctor can be overheard by other patients. In order to maintain patient privacy it is the policy of this practice to refrain from discussing any confidential matters with patients during treating hours while patients are being adjusted. If you have a confidential matter you wish to discuss please let us know and we will schedule time for you to speak to the doctor in a private consultation room. These consultations must be scheduled in advance.

**YOUR CARE** - When a patient seeks chiropractic health care and we agree to provide that care, it is essential for the patient and the doctor to be working toward the same objective. Chiropractic care at **Gate City Health** is rendered primarily to minimize and reduce subluxations, which are a major interference to the expression of the body's innate wisdom. The doctor uses a myriad of techniques to accomplish this goal, including but not limited to corrective care through Pettibon, Diversified, Thompson, and Arthrostim. It is important that you understand both the objective and the method(s) so there is no confusion or disappointment. Tremendous progress has been made in the rehabilitating and correction of spinal problems. Where in the past, chronic spinal structural problems could not be reversed or corrected, today they can. Your doctor will outline a course of treatment that will take you beyond simple pain relief, through two distinct phases of care to make a structural correction to your spine that will enable your central nervous system to function optimally, thereby improving your overall health.

**FIRST THINGS FIRST**- Prior to receiving chiropractic care at this office, a health history and examination will be completed. Imaging studies as well as any other necessary diagnostics may also be ordered, to confirm the true nature of your condition and exact location of subluxations. The results of these procedures will aid in assessing your presenting problem, your overall health and, in particular, the condition of your spine. They will also assist the doctor in determining the type and amount of care you will need. All relevant findings will be reported to you along with care plan recommendations so that you can make the best possible decision regarding your health care needs. Our gold standard for care is to ensure the reduction of subluxation while teaching patients what they need to do in addition to being adjusted to maintain their health for a lifetime.

**PATIENT'S REPORT OF FINDINGS** – To enhance your understanding of the chiropractic approach that will be used to manage your health, immediately following your first adjustment, you will be scheduled for a 'Doctor's Report of Findings'. The information you receive at this appointment will be both informative and clinically relevant to your case, therefore attendance is required for individuals who wish to become new patients of this practice. Because the results of your x-rays and all examinations as well as the doctors' recommendations for care, will be discussed at that time, we strongly urge new patients to invite their spouse or significant other to attend. We know from experience that when a patient's family understands the goals and objectives of chiropractic care and how restoring and maintaining good health can affect their lives as well, they become infinitely supportive and helpful in making important decisions concerning treatment options.