

History & Examination of Trauma & Whiplash Patients – 4 Hours
Syllabus
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Objectives

The course will teach how to take a proper history, consult carefully during the history and then properly examine the patient with traumatic neck/whiplash injuries and the most common injuries associated with whiplash injuries. They will be taught how to do a thorough and proper history in order to understand and know what it is they need to examine. Then they will be taught how to properly examine the whiplash patient. There are tests that absolutely need to be done that many doctors have either forgotten or perhaps never learned. The chiropractor will understand that there are far more injuries that patients have during whiplash and that they have a duty of competence required under Section 317 (c) to take a detailed history and perform a proper examination.

Hour 1

The Chiropractor will be instructed why one-third of car accident patients heal completely with only chiropractic care in less than three to four months. Taking a careful history is all about asking the right questions and doctors will be supplied with a detailed list of questions that need to be asked during the history.

Hour 2

When a history is properly done, the doctor will appreciate the difference between simple muscle injuries that should heal in six to twelve weeks versus torn tendons and ligaments which never heal and usually require a referral in order that the Chiropractor does not violate Section 317(w) of the California Board Rules and Regulations. The history must include questions about pain patterns, timing of the pain, location of the pain, quality of the pain and referred pain patterns just to provide the basis of know what and how to examine the trauma patient.

Hour 3

The Chiropractor must consider the history and determine what, where and how to examine the trauma patient. The doctors will be taught physical examination tests and those, combined with the history, will form the basis of the radiological examination of the patient. The history and examination is the basis for determining what to do with the patient after the examination is completed and must be done properly before doing more.

Hour 4

The chiropractor will be taught how to consult with a trauma patient with torn spine (or other) ligaments. How to examine the trauma patient both physically and radiologically. The most respected examinations with courts and jurors are demonstrated and the Chiropractor is taught how to better utilize these examination procedures in order to know exactly what is wrong with the patient.