

Hello to all,
California DCs update Oct 1st 2021: PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE EMAIL

The Dept of Consumer Affairs granted a waiver on Sept 23rd 2020, that allows DCs to take their Live Seminars Online, as long as it consists of Internet or web-based courses that allow participants to concurrently interact with instructors or presenters while they observe the courses, (ZOOM).

What this means: For any DC that needs to make up their Live CE from their last relicensing cycle OR the current cycle you can now take ZOOM seminars from Back To Chiropractic to fulfill your Live in person 12hr requirement.

PLEASE read this before calling or emailing me!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

DO I HAVE TO TAKE MY CE?

YES. CE requirements are NOT being waived. You MUST still complete 24 hours (see below for details).

MARCH 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2021 BIRTHDAYS, WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Make-up hours FOR 2020. YOU HAVE UNTIL January 26th 2022 TO COMPLETE

First make-up the hours you have yet to complete. Take 12 hours online and complete the live 12 hour requirement with us via ZOOM, see our website for course offerings.

Your next CE cycle, 2021.

We suggest completing your current cycle as well, so take your usual 24hrs. Take 12 hours online and complete the live 12 hour requirement with us via ZOOM, see our website for course offerings.

OCTOBER 2021 BIRTHDAYS, WHAT SHOULD I DO?

YOU HAVE UNTIL March 28th 2022 TO COMPLETE

NOV 2021 BIRTHDAYS AND AFTER THAT, WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Current cycle. We suggest completing your current cycle as well, so take your usual 24hrs. Take 12 hours online and complete the live 12 hour requirement with us via ZOOM, see our website for course offerings.

Once you enter your next cycle, take the ZOOM now as we do not know how long it will be around.

DO WEBINARS AND ZOOM SEMINARS COUNT AS LIVE?

YES. The Chiropractic Board IS allowing computer-driven courses to replace live seminar hours at this time, **as long as it consists of Internet or web-based courses that allow participants to concurrently interact with instructors or presenters while they observe the courses, (ZOOM).**

HOW LONG WILL ZOOM COURSES BE ACCEPTED?

The Board will accept them as long as the Dept of Consumer Affairs continues with this new waiver.

WILL MY LICENSE BE IN GOOD STANDING WITH ALL THESE CE ISSUES?

Yes. Licensees will be in good standing. Be sure to document what you've done and you will be compliant.

IS MY LICENSE RENEWAL DATE EXTENDED TOO?

NO. You must still renew your license by the end of your Birthday month. It can be done with a credit card on the Board website. chiro.ca.gov, with no service fee. When asked if you've completed your CE requirements, the Board has advised to answer **NO** if you haven't completed your CE by the end of your birthday month. If it does not allow you to continue the process, contact the Board: chiro.info@dca.ca.gov

ARE LIVE SEMINARS CANCELLED?

For all upcoming months we are not offering Live in person seminars, as we can complete them via ZOOM. We will continue to use ZOOM until the in class courses are reinstated.

State public health directives prohibit professional, social and community gatherings. Gatherings are defined as meetings or other events that bring together persons from multiple households at the same time for a shared or group experience in a single room, space, or place such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, or other indoor or outdoor space. They pose an especially high danger of transmission and spread of COVID-19.

WHEN WILL LIVE SEMINARS ACTUALLY START AGAIN?

Nobody is sure. It all depends on COVID, the Governor's orders, social distancing and meeting sizes allowed.

IF WE GO BACK TO LIVE SEMINARS, WHAT SAFETY PRECAUTIONS WILL BE TAKEN?

State and county guidelines will be followed. Social distancing requirements will make it difficult to offer indoor events. I am also considering hosting outdoor seminars. If you have an outdoor venue that would accommodate a live seminar please contact me.

CAN I JUST TAKE ALL 24 HRS ONLINE and NOT take ZOOM?

NO, with one exception, if you have a physical disability. (of course this will not work for most DCs). According to Chiropractor Rules and Regulations, Section 364(e), Notwithstanding Section 361(c), a licensee who is unable to attend in-person continuing education courses due to a physical disability and provides written certification from a primary health care provider, may earn all 24 hours of continuing education credits for the period of the license renewal through Board-approved distance learning courses, as defined in Section 363.1.

The standard definition of a physical disability: "... a limitation on a person's physical functioning, mobility, dexterity or stamina. Other physical disabilities include impairments which limit other facets of daily living, such as respiratory disorders, blindness, epilepsy and sleep disorders."

Process to take all 24 hours of your CE online if you have a physical disability:

Go to your primary care provider (an MD or Chiropractor) and get a medical exemption letter to certify your disability. You cannot write the note yourself and I can't write it for you. The Boards Rules and Regulations don't require a medical diagnosis to be identified or disclosed on a medical exemption certification/letter submitted by a licensee. The certification should be submitted to the Chiropractic Board at chiro.info@dca.ca.gov on the primary care provider's letterhead and must specify the timeframe during which the licensee will be unable to attend CE courses. Include your license number and address to receive a hard copy for your records. The exemption request must be submitted for each renewal period.

For any questions email the Chiropractic Board: chiro.info@dca.ca.gov

DO I HAVE A CREDIT WITH BACK TO CHIROPRACTIC, SINCE MY LIVE SEMINAR WAS CANCELLED?

Since you have already registered and paid, you can use those hours for any future seminar, live or online, including the ZOOM seminars. There is no need to register/pay again. Contact me via email and let me know what you would like to do 🙌 marcusstrutzdc@gmail.com

ARE OTHER CHIROPRACTORS OPEN?

Every DC has the power to make their own decisions – from complete closure to business as usual. Some offices are booming. You are designated by the state as an ancillary health care provider and can therefore be treating patients. Individual counties can make more stringent rules than those of the state, so be sure to check with your County Department of Public Health.

Click here to find yours: [Public Health Counties](#). Be sure to **DOCUMENT** your safety procedures and follow the [sanitation guidelines](#).

CHIROPRACTIC AND COVID: Chiropractors have an excellent opportunity to educate their patients on being and staying healthy. In addition to masks, washing hands and social distancing, how about also doing everything possible to boost your immune system? Chiropractic care obviously can't cure COVID, but you can emphasize boosting immune system function by promoting proper nutrition, exercise, less stress and better sleep. Chiropractors have been talking about this for decades, now people may finally hear the message.