
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHIROPRACTIC.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 442, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§442- Chiropractic students; clinical training;
5 supervision. (a) Notwithstanding any other law to the
6 contrary, a chiropractic student may engage in clinical training
7 involving the practice of chiropractic if:

8 (1) The student is actively enrolled in a doctor of
9 chiropractic program that is accredited by the Council
10 on Chiropractic Education, or its successor
11 organization, and approved by the board;

12 (2) The clinical training conducted occurs pursuant to a
13 formal affiliation agreement between the accredited
14 doctor of chiropractic program and the supervising
15 chiropractor or clinical training site; and



- 1 (3) The student is directly supervised by the supervising
2 chiropractor; provided that the supervising
3 chiropractor shall:
- 4 (A) Be licensed to practice in the State;
5 (B) Be physically present at the location where
6 services are provided; and
7 (C) Retain full professional and legal responsibility
8 for the care provided to the patient.
- 9 (b) Prior to providing services to a patient, a
10 chiropractic student providing services pursuant to this section
11 shall inform the patient that the care will be provided by the
12 student and obtain written consent from the patient
13 acknowledging that the patient has agreed to receive services
14 from the chiropractic student.
- 15 (c) The board shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to
16 implement this section, including:
- 17 (1) Qualifications for supervising chiropractors;
18 (2) Permissible scope of clinical services that may be
19 provided by a chiropractic student;
20 (3) Supervision requirements; and
21 (4) Documentation and reporting requirements.



1 (d) For the purposes of this section, "chiropractic
2 student" means an individually actively enrolled in an
3 accredited doctor of chiropractic program who is participating
4 in clinical training required for completing of the degree."

5 SECTION 2. The Hawaii board of chiropractic shall submit a
6 report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
7 convening of the regular session of 2027. The report shall
8 include:

- 9 (1) Implementation of this Act;
- 10 (2) Patient safety;
- 11 (3) Student participation; and
- 12 (4) Any other recommendations.

13 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on December 31,
15 2050; provided that section 1 shall take effect on July 1, 2028.



Report Title:

Hawaii Board of Chiropractic; Licensure; Students; Clinical Practice; Rules

Description:

Beginning 7/1/2028, allows chiropractic students enrolled in an accredited doctor of chiropractic program to engage in clinical practice as part of the completion of their degree, under certain conditions. Requires a report to the Legislature. Effective 12/31/2050. (HD1)

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