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Model Law

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Introduction

- The Federation recognizes that responsibility for regulation of the profession lies with each individual provincial/territorial regulatory board.
- April 23, 1923 – Alberta was the first province to enact legislation governing chiropractic – The last province – Newfoundland & Labrador in 1990!

- Each province and territory (with the exception of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut) has now implemented legislation to govern chiropractic
- Different legislative models across the country
 - umbrella legislation & specific Acts
- With the exception of the Yukon Territory, all have a large measure of self-regulation
- Each Act is unique - diverse ideals, terms, requirements and expectations

A Model Template

- The Model Law is a template for use by member boards in the drafting of documents within the context of their respective regulatory frameworks
- It is an important resource to refer to whenever their legislation is being reviewed
- This document is a “living document” and will evolve over time to reflect new best practices

What is the Purpose?

- Encourages the development and use of consistent terminology, definitions and standards
- Reflects the most current thinking on professional regulation in chiropractic.
- Provides a national perspective

What is the Purpose?

- Guided by its public protection mission, the CFCREAB Model Act is an example of the resources that can be made available to our Member Boards when diverse interests work together toward a common goal
- Provide a counterweight to governments' tendency to look to the Acts of other professions when considering changes to chiropractic legislation

Model Law Sections

- **I. Governance**
- **II. Scope of Practice/Restricted Acts**
- **III. Use of Titles**
- **IV. Registration**
- **V. Quality Assurance/Continuing Competence**
- **VI. Complaints/Discipline /Alternate Dispute Resolution, and**
- **VII. Definitions**

II. Scope of Practice/Restricted Acts

- ‘Basic Activities’ & ‘Other or Advanced Authorized Activities’
- Canadian legislation relating to what chiropractors may or may not do in practice
 - a. Legislation that authorizes chiropractors to perform specific controlled, restricted or reserved acts found within umbrella legislation;
 - b. A defining scope of practice statement; or
 - c. Inclusion of prohibitions in legislation

II. Scope of Practice/Restricted Acts

- These are areas defined in legislation that from the governments point of view, require specific competencies and skills to be safely provided to the public
- With these acts, the health profession is required to define the competencies required to perform the activity

III. Use of Titles

a) Doctor of Chiropractic

b) Chiropractor

c) Registered Chiropractor

d) D.C.

e) Doctor or Dr.

Use of “Specialty” Designations

IV. Registration

- **Register of Members**
 - **Active or General Register**
 - **Courtesy or Temporary Register**
- **Requirements For Registration**
 - **Entry to Practice Education Requirements**
 - **Required Examinations**
 - **Good Character & Reputation, including Standing**
 - **Eligibility to Work in Canada**
 - **Language Proficiency**

IV. Registration

- **Eligibility for Professional Liability Insurance**
- **Canadian Jurisdictional Recognition**
- **Conditions on Practice Permits**
- **Conditions for Students**
- **Conditions of Employment**
- **Decisions of the Registration Committee**
- **Reasons for Refusal**
- **Collection of Additional Information**

VI. Complaints/Discipline/ Alternate Dispute Resolution

- **Defining Conduct Issues**
- **Role of the Regulatory Organization - Human Resources Required**
- **Making a Complaint**
- **Acting in the Absence of a Complaint**
- **Duty to Report Impairment, Incapacity and Sexual Misconduct**
- **Acting on a Complaint**
- **Interim Orders During Proceedings & Extraordinary Action To Protect the Public**
- **Alternate Avenues for Complaint Resolution**
- **Investigating a Complaint**
- **Notification & Review of Dismissed Complaint**
- **Hearings or Tribunals**

Sections to Be Completed

- **Quality Assurance/Continuing Competence**
- **Governance**

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■ Questions?



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