



Guidance on claims made for the chiropractic vertebral subluxation complex

The chiropractic vertebral subluxation complex is an historical concept but it remains a theoretical model. It is not supported by any clinical research evidence that would allow claims to be made that it is the cause of disease.

Chiropractors are reminded that:

- when ***practising***, the care they “select and provide must be informed by the best available evidence, the preferences of the patient and the expertise of practitioners...”
(GCC Code of Practice and Standard of Proficiency: effective 30 June 2010; section S3.2)
- when ***advertising***, claims for chiropractic care “...must be based on best research of the highest standard” only.
(GCC Guidance on Advertising, March 2010)

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