



New Rule for Newly Licensed Chiropractic Technicians

Starting August 1, 2018, Wisconsin requires a minimum 12-hour core course for INITIAL certification as a Chiropractic Technician.

What if I'm already a CT?

All CTs licensed prior to August 1, 2018, are grandfathered in and do NOT need to do any additional coursework to remain a CT.

New Certification Course

WCA has created a new 12-hour course called **Chiropractic Technician Certification** that includes topics that used to be covered in the "Patient History," "Preliminary Exams," and "Physiological Therapeutics Overview" classes.

When is the next Certification class?

The next Chiropractic Technician Certification class is scheduled for September 28-29 at the Kalahari Resort during WCA Fall Convention.

What about additional therapeutic training beyond the minimum?

In addition, WCA continues to offer training for CTs in Therapeutic Modalities. Please note that the CE hours have changed for some of the topics.

When is the next Therapeutics class?

The following Therapeutic Modality classes are also taking place at Fall Convention. Ultrasound (3 hours), Thermotherapy & Cryotherapy (1 hour), Electrotherapy (3 hours), and Mechanical Therapy (4 hours), September 29-30 at Fall Convention. Note: Cold Laser & Light Therapy and Exercise Rehab (reduced from 36 to 24 hours) are scheduled for later this Fall. See www.wichiro.org for more information and to register.

Other FAQs

Q: If I earned my Chiropractic Technician Certificate prior to these changes, but didn't take the Patient History or Patient Vitals because my DC didn't want to delegate those to me, do I now have to take the 12-hour core course to remain a licensed CT?

A: No. All CTs licensed prior to August 1, 2018 are grandfathered in. However, if you want to begin taking patient histories and/or performing preliminary exams/patients vitals, you will need to complete the 12-hour core course.

Q: I am currently a certified CT. Under this new law, do I need to take additional courses other than CE to remain certified?

A: No, as a CT you still take 6 CE per biennium to renew.

Q: I'm not a CT yet and my DC only wants me to take patient histories, nothing else. Can I just take that part of the course?

A: No. There's a minimum of 12 hours; then you can choose from an additional 17 hours of instruction for separate adjunctive modalities.

Q: I am a DC, and I lost my employee's credential verification. Where can I access this information, in order to remain compliant to this new law?

A: DSPS license lookup. If you would like a copy of a certificate or attendance voucher, you may contact WCA.

Q: I am already a licensed CT. What do I need to do to become certified in another adjunctive modality?

A: Find classes on the WCA CE Calendar at www.wichiro.org. Look for the Chiropractic Certification Course, and find the Therapeutic Modality session(s) you would like to take.

Q: I am a DC. The law states I can delegate adjunctive services to "health care professionals" as long as they are trained in the service. Who is included in that list?

A: "Health care professional" means anyone who is licensed, registered, or certified by any of these boards: Nursing, Dentistry, Medical, Physical Therapy, Podiatry, Dietitian, Athletic Trainers, Occupational Therapy, Optometry, Pharmacy, DSPS, Psychology, Marriage and Family Therapy, Counseling, Social Work, Hearing & Speech, Massage therapy and bodywork.

Q: Why is the Exercise Rehab course now 24 instead of 36 hours?

A: The Chiropractic Examining Board (CEB) determined that 24 hours is sufficient for basic certification. WCA will also be offering more advance Exercise Rehab courses for CTs and DCs who wish to have more information.

Q: If I have taken my credits and received my certificate of completion before the new rule, but am submitting my application after the effective date, do I have to still have to take the 12-credit core course?

A: No, because your certificate of completion should be dated before August 1st, 2018.