

UNITEDHEALTHCARE REVERSES POLICY ON CHIROPRACTIC FOR CHILDREN

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In September of 2007, UnitedHealthCare (UHC) first announced their policy statement that "chiropractic for children and adolescents, as well as chiropractic treatment of headaches, are "unproven" services." Translation? The insurance giant would deny these claims.

Many chiropractic organizations, as well as the World Chiropractic Alliance, responded with documented evidence to show that chiropractic care is safe for children and can have beneficial effects on health and fitness from newborn to adult stages.

After receiving this input from the chiropractic profession, UHC reversed it's policy statement, stating that "UnitedHealthCare values and respects collegial input into the scientific and clinical evidence foundations of our policies and clinical programs".

This is very encouraging folks. Our hats are off to UHC for their willingness to look at all the evidence and objectively adjust it's policies based on facts. We look forward to the time when our established medical community and the chiropractic and alternative healthcare industries work hand in hand to promote the safest and most effective healthcare the world has ever seen.

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