

ACA PEDIATRICS COUNCIL

POSITION STATEMENTS

Topic: Education in the Specialty of Pediatric Chiropractic Care

- 1) All doctors of chiropractic are taught to diagnose and manage pediatric patients in their doctoral training.**
 - a) Training includes age-appropriate examination, differential diagnosis, treatment options, referral and co-management of children's health issues.
 - b) Doctors of chiropractic are licensed to treat children in all 50 states in the U.S.
 - c) Doctors of chiropractic are primary care physicians and as such are able to see patients directly without referral from pediatricians or other medical doctors.

- 2) Some doctors of chiropractic choose to further their education with post-doctoral specialty training in chiropractic pediatrics.**
 - a) Options for postgraduate education in chiropractic pediatrics include continuing education programs, certification programs and further academic opportunities, such as masters degrees.