



MODES OF CARE COMMITTEE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Purpose:

The Modes of Care Committee investigates the efficacy of new ancillary therapies, diagnostic equipment, and adjustive techniques. Efficacy is based on review of published scientific literature.

Membership:

The Committee shall consist of a minimum of three members, with one member appointed Chairperson by the Board. In appointing membership, the Board will seek members who possess the following competencies and experience:

- Are familiar with the CAS governing legislation and regulatory framework;
- Have demonstrated knowledge of scientific literature and critical review of research findings; and
- Have at least 10 years of experience in chiropractic practice.

Responsibilities:

Responsibilities and process of the Modes of Care Committee include:

- The CAS Board may request a review of a new ancillary therapy, diagnostic equipment, or adjustive technique.
- If the request for a review is from a member, detailed information regarding their request must be submitted.
- Techniques, equipment and modalities are evaluated against the following criteria:
 - The procedure must not contravene *The Chiropractic Act, 1994* or its Regulatory and Administrative Bylaws;
 - Modus operandi (rationale);
 - Efficacy (claims);
 - Safety (harmful effects) and;
 - Must be formally taught in the core curriculum as part of the syllabus in a CCEC accredited Chiropractic College, where instructional courses, materials and activities for each modality have clear learning outcomes and include learner assessment.

- The Committee will provide a report of findings, including a recommendation, to the CAS Board. If a member initiated the review, a report may be provided to that member, at the discretion of the Board.

Accountability:

The Modes of Care Committee is accountable to the CAS Board of Directors, and will provide regular reports to the Board, as well as identification of any urgent issues, as needed.

Resources:

Expenses and honoraria, if required, will be provided as per CAS policy.

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