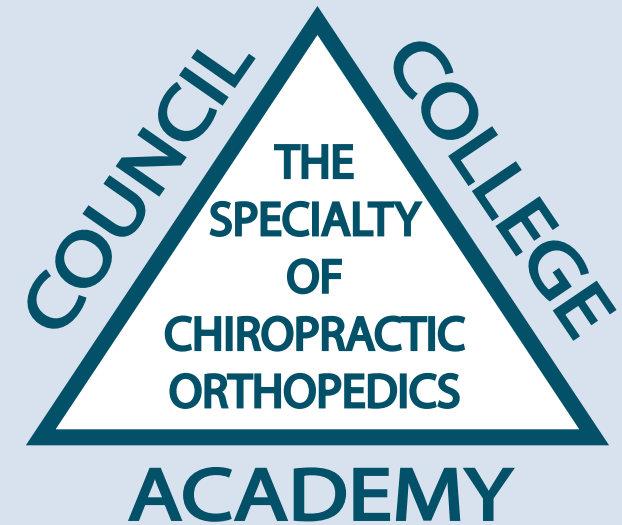


Chiropractic Orthopedics is defined as that branch of chiropractic medicine that includes the continued acquisition of knowledge relative to both normal functions and diseases of the human body as they relate to the bones, joints, capsules, discs, muscles, ligaments, tendons, their complete neurological components, referred organ systems and contiguous tissues; and the development and perfection of skills relative to health maintenance when such exists and when not, the investigation, historical review, physical detection, correlative diagnosis development and complete management of any disorder within the bounds defined herein; and the delivery of the combined knowledge and skill on a primary basis to patients who both need and desire this service to the eventual outcome of remission, whenever resolution is not readily achievable.

Each of these independent, international, chiropractic orthopedic membership organizations plays an important role in supporting the chiropractic orthopedist and the orthopedic specialty. In an effort to support, expand and improve the specialty, it is important that every chiropractic orthopedist be a member of all three organizations.



COALITION OF CHIROPRACTIC ORTHOPEDIC MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS

COUNCIL ON CHIROPRACTIC ORTHOPEDICS

The Council is the political support for chiropractic orthopedics.

The Council is a subsidiary of the American Chiropractic Association (ACA) and as a part of the ACA, a non-profit, national, chiropractic trade organization, establishes and maintains national recognition for the specialty of chiropractic orthopedics. The ACA recognizes the DABCO, DACO, and FACO.

The Council promotes postdoctoral criteria course outline for chiropractic orthopedics, supports seminars on chiropractic orthopedics, disseminates educational materials through Council newsletters, clinical discourses and *ACANews*, and encourages improved interprofessional and intraprofessional relations and shares knowledge with all doctors of chiropractic for the benefit of the public and the profession.

Membership is open to all members of the ACA.

For further information see:
www.ccodc.org

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC ORTHOPEDICS

The College is the postdoctoral continuing education support for chiropractic orthopedics.

The College is an independent, non-profit, educational organization dedicated to the specialty of chiropractic orthopedics.

The College holds an annual educational conference for all Doctors of Chiropractic interested in advancing their knowledge in chiropractic orthopedics.

The College provides a meeting venue for the specialty, coordinating the Coalition of Chiropractic Orthopedic Membership Organizations to advance growth in the field.

The College publishes the *Journal of the American College of Chiropractic Orthopedics* and administers the F. Maynard Lipe Memorial Scholarship.

Membership is open to all licensed Doctors of Chiropractic.

For further information see:
www.accoweb.org

ACADEMY OF CHIROPRACTIC ORTHOPEDISTS

The Academy is an examining and recertification support for chiropractic orthopedics.

The Academy examination process results in Diplomate status (DACO) and membership as a Fellow of the Academy of Chiropractic Orthopedists (FACO).

The Academy provides a certificate of continuing competence in the specialty of chiropractic orthopedics through recertification of the Diplomates.

The Academy is an independent, apolitical organization, and works with chiropractic educational institutions, as an advisor for chiropractic orthopedic academic advancement.

The Academy provides venues for presentation of scientific papers.

Membership is based on orthopedic board certification, DACO or DABCO.

For further information see:
www.dcorthoacademy.com