



1. Acupuncture and dry needling – clinical evidence indicates that acupuncture and dry needling have proven effective in helping to treat spine related disorders. **Would you support allowing chiropractors who take additional education and training to be able to treat patients using acupuncture and/or dry needling when appropriate?**

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ Undecided\_\_\_\_\_

2. Primary Spine Care Practitioner – last session State Senator Frank Lasee and State Representative Joe Sanfelippo introduced legislation creating the Primary Spine Care Practitioner – a new type of health care provider who can effectively manage spine related disorders (SRD’s) and prevent prescription drug abuse. This legislation allows chiropractors who complete an accredited master’s program to obtain a separate license (in addition to their chiropractic license) as a PSCP and use additional clinical tools including the ability to manage over the counter and prescription medications. Chiropractors who obtain the PSCP designation will be able to manage patients with SRDs using conservative, yet highly effective chiropractic tools– exercise, nutrition and adjustments as well as evidence based non–opioid prescription interventions. **Would you support the creation of the PSCP practice act and licensure as an option for chiropractors who want to use additional clinical tools to provide better care for their patients?**

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ Undecided\_\_\_\_\_

3. Counseling patients on Over the Counter medications (OTC’s) – currently chiropractors are prohibited by law from counseling their patients on the proper use of over the counter medications. Chiropractors are direct access, primary care health care providers who, with additional education and training, can safely and effectively counsel their patients on the appropriate use of OTC’s and develop care plans that help them take fewer OTC’s. **Would you support allowing chiropractors who obtain additional training and education to counsel their patients on the appropriate use of over the counter medications (limited to musculoskeletal conditions)?**

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ Undecided\_\_\_\_\_

4. Sports Physicals – currently chiropractors with additional education, training and testing are able to perform U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) physical examinations for licensed truck drivers in Wisconsin. Despite this fact, chiropractors are not allowed to conduct school sports physicals because of a discriminatory policy of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) – which allows Physician’s Assistants and Advanced Practice Nurse Prescribers to perform this same examination but with less education and training. **Would you support legislation that allows chiropractors with appropriate additional education and training to perform sports physicals?**

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ Undecided\_\_\_\_\_

5. Non-discriminatory application of copays to chiropractic services – right now, health plans apply much higher copays to chiropractic services than they apply to other direct access, primary care providers. Higher copays for chiropractic services steer patients away from cost effective chiropractic care and towards more costly treatments methods. **Would you support legislation that eliminates the discriminatory application of higher copays for chiropractic services?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided \_\_\_\_\_

6. Increasing access to chiropractic for state Medicaid patients – currently, chiropractors are paid significantly less than other health care providers to perform the required patient examination and evaluation. This payment disparity and the generally low reimbursement for other highly cost effective chiropractic services makes it difficult for many chiropractors to treat Medicaid patients. **Would you support requiring the state Medicaid program to pay chiropractors the same amount for exams as they pay other comparable providers?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided \_\_\_\_\_

7. Protecting Wisconsin's Model Worker's Compensation system – the current structure of the Worker's Compensation program in Wisconsin works well and is considered one of the best worker's compensation systems in the country. Wisconsin consistently ranks among the lowest in terms of overall costs and among the highest in terms of efficiency when compared with other states. In past legislative sessions, bills have been introduced with harmful provisions such as directed care and a Medicare-style fee schedule, both of which would limit patient access to care and reduce the quality of care. The WCA and other health care providers strongly oppose the introduction of a fee schedule or directed care to our Worker's Compensation system. **Are you opposed to significant changes to Wisconsin's Worker's Compensation system such as employer-directed care or a Medicare-style fee schedule?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Undecided \_\_\_\_\_

**Please feel free to share any additional relevant information below (such as your prior experience with chiropractic treatment, etc). Thank you!**