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For Immediate Release:

**The Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters (CCGPP)  
Releases New Chronic Pain Guideline**

The Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters is pleased to announce the pre-publication release of a historic new chronic pain guideline:

Management of Chronic Spine-Related Conditions: Consensus Recommendations of a Multidisciplinary Panel

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After a rigorous Delphi and Nominal Group Process this multidisciplinary panel obtained consensus on issues related to case management and dosaging related to patients suffering chronic spine pain who require ongoing care. We strongly encourage every DC to obtain a full copy of the paper from JMPT by going to **<http://www.jmptonline.org/inpress>**. This paper provides clear direction on case management issues including: therapeutic withdrawal, yellow and red flags, complicating factors, comorbidities, prognostic factors, benefits and goals of ongoing care, diagnosis, clinical information, treatment options, dosaging, exacerbations, and much more.

The chronic care consensus guideline is the first of its kind to truly define chiropractic case management for this specific population of patients. It provides very clear direction on how to manage and document chronic spine pain care. This paper will also help reduce the administrative and legal issues caused by the historical random and diverse opinions of consultants and treating doctors. Now the entire industry will have access to an evidence-based consensus document developed with strict adherence to guideline development processes.

If you have any questions regarding this guideline feel free to contact CCGPP at:

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