



Colorado Medical Society v. Colorado Board of Chiropractic Examiners (Denver, Colo. Dist. Ct.)

Topics Covered: Scope of Practice

Outcome: Very Favorable

Issue

The issue in this case was whether Colorado chiropractors should be allowed to administer various botanical and homeopathic compounds by injection.

AMA Interest

The AMA believes that non-physician health care practitioners should only provide patient care in accordance with their education and training and pursuant to applicable state laws.

Case Summary

The Colorado Board of Chiropractic Examiners (CBCE) adopted a regulation known as “Rule 7(c)” that would give chiropractors the right to administer various botanical and homeopathic compounds by injection. The Colorado Medical Society (CMS) sued CBCE to prevent implementation of Rule 7(c).

Shortly after the suit was filed, CBCE delayed implementation of Rule 7(c) in order to give the Colorado Legislature an opportunity to review the new regulation and either approve or disapprove it. Subsequently, the Legislature disapproved and repealed Rule 7(c). CMS then dismissed its lawsuit.

Litigation Center Involvement

The Litigation Center has contributed financially toward the CMS legal expenses.